



Mr. Richard "Gene" Harper

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Richard Eugene Harper, age 89- born February 27, 1927 went home to be with his Lord on August 12, 2016. An Elder at 11th Street Church of Christ for 47 years, Gene retired from Capital Engraving and Vanderbilt University where he ushered at sporting events for over 40 years. Preceded in death by parents James Rufus and Annie (Hadley) Harper, Survived by wife of 72 years, Opal (Sherrod) Harper, Daughters Faye (Fate) Evans, Dianne (Joe) Smith, Don (Jackie) Harper. Grand-daughters Teressa Melton (Michael) Mooneyhan, Tabathia Evans (Crockett) Parks, Gania (Patrick) Jones Great Grandchildren; Fate Evans Melton, Samuel L. Melton, Abigail Parks, Charles C. Parks IV and Jackson Jones. Preceded in death by siblings: Gwendelyn Held, Dewey Harper, Charles Harper, Glenda Cobb, and Rufus Harper. Surviving sisters: Patricia Gleaves and Shirley Robertson. Pall bearers; Bobby Wayne Gentry, Jimmy Harper, Jerry Harper, Drew Melton, Logan Melton, and Charlie Parks. Honorary Pallbearers; Richard Mark Robertson, David Harper, Douglas Harper, Timothy Held, Thomas Held, William Held and Joseph Held. A special thank you to his long-time physician Dr. Charles Daniels and the staff at Alive Hospice, especially Rachael Sherman and Jenny Grant. Visitation at Spring Hill Funeral Home, Monday August 15 from noon until 8 PM. Services on Tuesday August 16 at 10AM with visitation one hour prior. Donations in Mr. Harper's name can be made to Alive Hospice and/or Churches of Christ Disaster Relief.




Events

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Visitation

 **Monday**, August 15, 2016

 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM CT

 **Spring Hill Funeral Home**
5110 Gallatin Pike S, Nashville TN 37216





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GH

Greg Hines posted:

Jan and I want to express our condolences to Opal and the rest of the family. Though we were with 11th Street only a brief time, Gene was a good friend and willing partner in the Lord's work. Playing golf with him and Hoyt was great fun for a young man of only 22 or 23. We enjoyed playing softball and going out to eat at Western Sizzlin' after Sunday night church. Those days are now gone forever, but the memories still live. Thank you for all the love shown to us. We celebrate the life of Gene Harper and rejoice that he has received the goal of his faith, and is now face to face with Jesus.

August 17 at 7:56 AM

GH

Glenn O Humphrey Jr posted:

To the family of Bro: Harper, this is Glenn Humphrey Jr, Sorry i could'n't make the funeral. But let the family know,that we give i condolences! Thank GOD FOR FOR HIS SERVICE,AS AN ELDER FOR 43 YEARS.DONT GRIEVE TO MUCH BECAUSE HE'S IN PARADISE,WAITING ON THE LORD TO SAY (YOU'VE BEEN FAITHFUL OF A FEW THINGS COME I'LL MAKE YOU RULER OF MANY) SINCERLY! BRO: HUMPHREY.

August 16 at 7:14 AM



Anonymous sent a Basket Full of Wishes to the Harper family.



August 15 at 12:00 PM

BV

Becky Vavricek posted:

Aunt Opal, Faye, Dianne and family,Please know that all of you in our thoughts and prayers.Please keep all the wonderful memories of your husband, Dad and Grandfather close to you during your time of grief.Uncle Gene was very dear to all of us. I know how close him and my mom (Aunt Dolie) were. He shared many wonderful stories / memories of them growing up together. Which will be treasured always.Uncle Gene's faith was very strong and made a lasting impression on me. As well as his love for Aunt Opal and all of his family.Although there are too many memories to share here, they will stay with me forever.With sympathy,Becky and Nick Vavricek

August 15 at 10:41 AM



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Anonymous sent a Country Basket Blooms to the Harper family.



August 14 at 6:14 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Richard by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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