



Wayne "Gene" James

September 9, 1929 - January 28, 2014

Wayne Eugene (Gene) James, more often called "Wayne E" or "Poppy" went home to his Heavenly Father, Tuesday, January 28, 2014 in Gravelly, Arkansas. Gene was born September 9, 1929 to Perry Chaplan James and Lessie Cunzania (Hunt) James in Briggsville, Arkansas. Gene was 84 years, 4 months and 19 days old. Gene left us peacefully and quietly in his sleep, in the comfort of his rocking chair.

Being the youngest of eight children, it was only natural that Gene was commonly known by his siblings and people of the community as "runt". But this was no bother to him, as he was ALWAYS stirring the pot to aggravate or joke around and share that sinister smile of his. His fun loving nature couldn't help but be contagious. A veteran of the U.S. Military, he not only served his country but his beloved family and home as well. He enjoyed being a cattle farmer. Gene lived a life devoted to God as a Baptist and he was a member of the F & AM Masons. He was a 50 year member of Lodge #123 in Bluffton, Arkansas. While being a diverse individual, Gene was a man of work ethics and never ending love for his family. Time spent with them were among his most treasured memories.

Gene leaves behind to cherish his memory, his dear wife Margaret Evelyn and a loving family of three children: Jeanie Fay McClung, Marietta Parks and Lewis Wayne James. He was a proud grandfather to seventeen grandchildren

and nine great grandchildren. Gene will be missed by all that knew him and the many whose lives were impacted by him including a host of nieces, nephews, extended family, friends, neighbors and loved ones.

Gene is preceded in death by his parents, Perry James and Lessie Cunzania (Hunt) James as well as siblings, Virgil, Laura, Jesse, Lynn, Sadie, Cecil and Perry Jr.

Gene's life celebration will be at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, January 30, 2014 at the Heritage Memorial Funeral Home in Waldron, Arkansas with Rev. David Williams officiating. Interment will follow in the Parks Cemetery in Nola, Arkansas. Arrangements are being entrusted to the Heritage Memorial Funeral Home in Waldron, Arkansas.

Gene's pallbearers will be Lewis James, Steele James, James Parks, Matthew McClung, Zachary James and Ethan James.

Gene's visitation will be Wednesday, January 29, 2014 from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at the Heritage Memorial Funeral Home Chapel in Waldron, Arkansas.

Cemetery Details

Parks Cemetery @ Nola

Nola, AR

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **29**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Heritage Memorial Funeral Home
1879 West 6th Street
Waldron, AR 72958
(479) 637*1212
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Celebration of Life

JAN **30**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

PB

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.*

Pamela Brown and Kaitlin Hunnicutt

Pamela Brown - January 31, 2014 at 09:24 AM

DL

“ *Our thought and prayers are with all the family.*

David and Galy Lawson - January 31, 2014 at 07:23 AM

KH

“ *Steele, Autumnne, Zach, and Ethan: I was so sorry to hear of your grandfather's death. I know he meant a lot to each of you and that you will all miss him. I visited in his home once several years ago, the evening I played for your Aunt Marietta's wedding at the Mulberry Church. Hold on to your many good memories until you see him again someday. My prayers are with each of you.*



Keith Holleman - January 30, 2014 at 06:42 PM

ES

“ *Our prayers and deepest sympathy to Margaret and all the family .Dub and Evelyn Smalling and Jerie Jones*

Evelyn Smalling - January 30, 2014 at 07:40 AM



“ *America the Beautiful was purchased for the family of Wayne "Gene" James.*



January 29, 2014 at 09:00 PM



“ *Steele our thoughts and prayers are with you on the loss of your Grandfather....Our prayer is that God will give you and each of your family comfort during this time of sorrow..*



Bill and Carolyn Needham

Caleb Smith

Stephen, Cheyenne and Markus Smith

Bill and Carolyn Needham - January 29, 2014 at 08:56 PM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. I will have your family in my prayers.*
Susan Goree

Susan Goree - January 29, 2014 at 05:20 PM



“ *May God give you the strength you need to get through this. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time.*

Tim and Kim Defoor - January 29, 2014 at 04:04 PM

AH

“ *The loss of a loved one is very difficult to overcome, I pray that the lord provides you with the strength needed to go forward with each passing day so that you can enjoy and cherish the memories that you have made together...*

Amanda Hill & Family

Amanda Hill - January 29, 2014 at 12:22 PM



MS

“ *We share in the loss of a good friend and neighbor. Rest well in the arms of our Lord. Our thoughts and prayers are with Margaret and the James Family. Mike Springer*

Mike Springer - January 29, 2014 at 11:15 AM

