



Charlie Fred Harper

September 9, 1932 - September 1, 2012

C. Fred Harper, Age 79 of White House, Tennessee. Born September 9, 1932 in Cumberland Furnace, Tennessee. Preceded in death by parents, J. Aaron and Maude Jobe Harper and three brothers, Billy, Ben and Ray Harper. Survived by wife of almost 58 years, Patty Sue Ray Harper; three daughters, Lydia (Robert) Smith, Lisa Harper and Laurie Evans; three granddaughters, Shelley (Lamar) Reams, Allison (Drew) Yates and Olivia Evans; one great grandson, Grant Reams; brother, Jimmy Harper. Bro. Fred was a graduate of Duke Divinity School, and served as a United Methodist minister for 60 years in many Middle Tennessee United Methodist churches. He touched the lives of many people throughout his lifetime. He was a faithful Rotarian for six decades and a Paul Harris Fellow. Bro. Fred was a compassionate pastor, who cherished his family as they cherished him. He was a devoted sports fan, especially of the Boston Red Sox, Duke Blue Devils, community teams, and also a creative gardener. Funeral service will be held 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, September 4th at the White House First United Methodist Church with Rev. Chip Hunter, Rev. Louis Johnson, Rev. Mark Hall, Dr. Ed Blackburn and Paul Randall Dickerson officiating. Interment will follow at White House Memorial Gardens. Pallbearers will be Lamar Reams, Drew Yates, Donnie Ray, Curtis Harper, Ron Harper, Neil Jobe, Nathan Couch and Brandon Couch. Honorary pallbearers are ministers and spouses of the Tennessee Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church. Memorial contributions will be accepted at Austin & Bell Funeral Home for Martin Methodist College Scholarship Fund.

Visitation Monday 2-8 at Austin & Bell and Tuesday one hour prior to service at the church.

Arrangements by Austin & Bell Funeral Home, 533 Hwy 76, White House, Tennessee 615-672-5000

Tribute Wall

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“ I am so sorry for your loss. Bro. Harper was the pastor at Ashland City during part of the 80s. He was such a wonderful, caring person. It was a pleasure and honor to have known him during those years. He reflected his love for the Lord in all he did & how he treated others. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Walter Pitt - September 05, 2012 at 08:17 AM

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“ Lydia, Robert, Shelley, and Allison
We are so sorry for your loss. You and your families are in our prayers.

Allison & Michael Prater - September 03, 2012 at 09:24 AM

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“ Patty Sue and Family,
We are so saddened to learn of your loss. Our family had many good times during Fred's Martin College days and at Rehoboth Church. Our thoughts and prayers will be with you at this sad time.
Norma Ruth Parsons Picard and Reginald

Norma Ruth Parsons Picard - September 02, 2012 at 09:14 PM

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“ Lisa, Laurie, and Olivia:
We are so sorry to hear of your Dad's passing. Having lost both of our Dad's in recent years, we know the pain in your heart. Please know we are thinking of you and praying FOR you.
Love - Phil and Lauri Kaye Burns

Phil and Lauri Kaye Burns - September 02, 2012 at 06:24 PM

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“ *Patty Sue, Lydia, Lisa & Laurie: Carroll & I are saddened to learn of Fred's sudden death. We have treasured your friendship for more than 40 years and send our love and prayers for God's comforting presence.*

Rev. Russell N. Gallimore

Rev. Russell Gallimore - September 02, 2012 at 04:03 PM