



Haywood Kenneth Hudgens

February 10, 2016

Haywood Kenneth “Woody” Hudgens, age 92, of Springfield, passed away February 10, 2016. Funeral services will be conducted at 2pm on Saturday, February 13th in the chapel of Austin & Bell Funeral Home in Springfield with Dr. Fred Hembree and Brother Kenneth Wayne Head officiating. Burial will follow in Elmwood Cemetery with Garrett Abbott, Rex Cummings, Barry Rosson, Jim Shamwell, Greg York, Jason York and Todd York serving as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers are Monty Allsbrook, Delmas Brake, Scott Cavender, Larry Eden, Bob Ary, Carney Elliott, Billy Hogan, Stewart Johnson, Larry Lee, Jimmy Orand, Joe Stravers, Jack Vannatta and Gilford Walker.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Friday, February 12, 2016 from 4-8pm and again on Saturday from 1pm until the hour of service.

Mr. Hudgens graduated from Coopertown High School and was inducted into the U.S. Navy in August 1943 serving most of his Navy tenure in the South Pacific Theater on the aircraft carrier USS Hoggatt Bay during World War II. He looked forward to and attended the Hoggatt Bay reunion each year as long as his health permitted. After service he became involved in farming and continued part time until September 2000. He was also a loyal employee of Spin-A-Pin Lanes bowling alley as manager and mechanic, retiring in 1994 with 34 years of service. He was an avid outdoorsman and sports enthusiast. Mr. Hudgens was a member of the Springfield United Methodist Church

having served on several committees, church council and Sunday School class president. He was a dedicated participant of Camp Bluebird, a camp for cancer survivors.

Mr. Hudgens was the second of eleven children of Jasper and Ruby Wilson Hudgens who preceded him in death. Also preceding him in death are his wife, Julia York Hudgens, three brothers, Billy Hudgens, Ray Hudgens and Jesse Hudgens and two sisters, Nelda Rosson and Becky Arnce. He is survived by his son, Kenneth (Mary Tom) Hudgens; daughter, Cheryl (Melvin) O'Neal; grandson, Ryan O'Neal; step-granddaughters, Kristen (Chris) Ayer and Lindsey Plummer; four sisters, Melba Cummings, Sara Carter, Nancy (James) Shamwell and Faye York; and brother, Jimmy Hudgens.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Springfield Gideons or to Alive Hospice. All donations may be sent in c/o Austin & Bell.

Austin & Bell Funeral Home in Springfield is in charge of these arrangements.

AUSTIN & BELL FUNERAL HOME-

509 WALNUT STREET, SPRINGFIELD, TN (615) 384-1000

Cemetery Details

Elmwood Cemetery

1029 Richard Street
Springfield, TN 37172

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 12. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Austin & Bell Funeral Home Springfield
509 Walnut St.
Springfield, TN 37172
(615) 384-1000
<https://austinandbell.com>

Visitation

FEB 13. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Austin & Bell Funeral Home Springfield
509 Walnut St.
Springfield, TN 37172
(615) 384-1000
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Funeral Service

FEB 13. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *The Gupton Family lit a candle in memory of Haywood Kenneth Hudgens*



The Gupton Family - February 14, 2016 at 02:48 AM



“ *Woody was a kind and gentle man who loved all people. He never missed an opportunity to speak and give one of his sweet smiles to me. Woody was a man of God. That is what counts!*

Nancy Lewis - February 12, 2016 at 11:53 AM

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“ *I spent many an hour at Spin-A-Pin talking to Woody or bowling with him. He was a good man, an honest one, and his word was his bond. Springfield was better off for him having chosen to live and work there. He was missed after he retired from the bowling alley, and will be missed by family and friends as he makes the transition to another, better life.*

A friend for many years,

Don Harp

Don Harp - February 12, 2016 at 11:36 AM



“ *Terry Tanner lit a candle in memory of Haywood Kenneth Hudgens*



terry tanner - February 11, 2016 at 02:48 PM