



W. Gene Huston

October 24, 1931 - September 14, 2018

Walter Gene Huston died on September 14, 2018 at Landmark Hospital, after a brief illness. He was 86 years old. Gene was born October 24, 1931, to Walter Dallas and Nova Grace (Largent) Huston at their home in Dallas County, Iowa. The land, on which this home was located, was originally deeded to Gene's great grandfather when Iowa became a state in 1846.

His life, until college, was spent on this farm located west of Valley Junction, Iowa, now known as West Des Moines, Iowa. He worked with his father, mother, and sister on the farm which consisted of cropland, livestock, and poultry.

Gene loved to hunt, fish and trap small game in the area. He was always exploring new places he had never been. He attended a one-room Boone Township all grade school thru the 8th grade. He graduated from Waukee High School in 1949 and from Iowa State University, in 1954. He achieved many honors during high school. He participated in the All State Chorus, State Future Farmer Degree, and many honors and ribbons exhibiting livestock he raised and cared for, at county and state fair as an FFA and 4-H member.

He attended and was baptized in Maple Grove Methodist Church, a rural church located near his home. He has been a member and worker at a Methodist Church where ever they have lived. His commitment and faith in

this church run deep.

Gene served in the United States Army during the Korean War. He attended the Artillery School at Fort Sill, Oklahoma and Army Flight School at Fort Rucker, Alabama. He was proficient as a commercial pilot in fixed wing and helicopters, as well as having a commercial instrument license. He flew in the Army Reserves for nearly 20 years.

Gene married the love of his life, Elaine Irene Quayle on March 17, 1957, at Galva, Illinois, Methodist Church. After marrying Elaine they moved to Mankato, Minnesota where Gene was Manager of Farmland Industries Feed Mills. Gene was transferred to Van Buren, Arkansas to help construct a new feed mill. In 1969 they transferred to Afton, Oklahoma Feed Mill and moved the family to Miami, Oklahoma. After retiring in 1989 the next few years were spent working at Osborn Drug.

Gene was a 32nd Degree Mason, a member of the Rotary Club, Friends of the Coleman Theatre, Dobson Museum of Miami and Miami American Legion. Gene served as Chief of Sub Committee of Miami and City Council. He also served on the Methodist Church Conference Level Committees, Pay Equalization Board, and Conference Council on Finance and Administration.

Gene is survived by his wife Elaine of sixty-one years; his children Kimberly Ann Huston Nast (Mike), Kandace Eileen Huston and Craig Gene Huston (Dana); his grandchildren; Jacob Nast, Nick Nast, Chad Huston (Jackie), Curt Huston and Callie Huston and a sister Doris June Conger (Charles). Also surviving is a sister in law Eileen Eadie (Jim) and several nephews & nieces.

His goals had always been to be a good member of society. Be it a husband, father, son, brother, friend, and fellow worker. He and Elaine raised the children to be productive, caring, faithful, members of their Church, their home

and family/their community, their State and Nation, to which we owe so much.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the First United Methodist Church's Backpack Program, Capital Improvement Fund or the charity of your choice.

Visitation will be 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM, Tuesday, September 18, 2018 at Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Miami.

Services will be 10:00 AM on Wednesday, September 19, 2018 at First United Methodist Church in Miami with Reverend Taud Boatman and Dr. Clark Osborn officiating. Interment will follow at the Grand Army of the Republic Cemetery. The American Legions Funeral Honors Team will be providing Military Honors.

Heavenly Pallbearers are Willie Osborn, Dr. Ron Gilbert and Edward Meyer.

Pallbearers will be Bobby Hayes, Dr. Matthew Osborn, Chad Huston, Curt Huston, Jake Nast and Nick Nast.

Honorary Pallbearers will be the Methodist Men.

Friends and family may send the family notes and videos of encouragement by viewing Mr. Huston's Tribute Page at www.brown-winters.com.

Cemetery Details

Grand Army of the Republic

2801 North Main Street
Miami, OK 74354

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **18**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service
5 B Street NW
Miami, OK 74354
(918) 542-3311
info@brown-winters.com
<https://www.brown-winters.com>

Service

SEP **19**. 10:00 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church - Miami
200 B NW
Miami, OK 74354
<http://www.fumcmiami.org>

Tribute Wall

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“ Hi Elaine. My Dad and I are visiting tonight in Mankato. He told me about Gene's passing and he has many great memories of you and Gene. We talked about the trip we made to Miami, OK when I was in high school which was probably close to 50 years ago. He showed me a photo of you and your family from 1998 that he saved. We are sorry to hear that he is gone but glad to have known him. Best wishes. Byron and Steve Kunkel

Steve and Byron Kunkel - November 29, 2018 at 07:44 PM

DJ

“ Elaine, I am so sorry to read that you lost Gene. It was good to visit with you both at Ann's. Hugs~
Debbie & Bob Johnson

Debbie Johnson - September 15, 2018 at 01:16 AM