



George A. Carver

September 17, 1925 - November 22, 2018

George A. Carver, age 93, of Gravois Mills, passed away Thursday, November 22, 2018, at Harry S. Truman Memorial Veterans Hospital in Columbia. He was born September 17, 1925, in Carver, Missouri, a son of the late Samuel and Lessie Lanoia (Burkholder) Carver.

On March 10, 1964, in Eldon, he was united in marriage to his surviving wife, Tillie (Linney) Carver.

George was a United States Navy veteran having served in WWII. He was a Seaman First Class Cook aboard the USS Jason Repair Ship. He also served in the Army Reserves.

For many years, George was employed at Silver Moon Resort constructing docks. Later, he worked as a carpenter and handyman.

In his younger years, he volunteered when his sons were in Cub Scouts. He enjoyed fishing, attending rodeos, trips to the State Fair and his weekly trip to town each Saturday to the sale barn to watch the cattle auction. Most of all, he loved to spend quality time with his family, especially treating them to dinner.

In addition to his wife, Tillie, he is survived by his sons, Mike Carver of Fulton, Missouri, George Carver of Stover, Missouri and Mark Carver of Camdenton, Missouri; seven grandchildren; several great-grandchildren and many other relatives and friends. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by seven siblings.

There are no services planned at this time.

Cremation arrangements are under the direction and care of the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home of Versailles.

Comments



“ Dad was a very hard worker, and he was notorious for helping people out for free as well. He came from a time that I could only read about in books, there weren't many like him. He was the guy who could identify all the different leaves and nuts, he knew how to farm, hunt, and live off of the land. Despite only having a 6th grade education, he seemed to know everything. You never really meet people like that...at least I never do.

He was a carpenter. He could build a house or anything with wood, really. He was the guy who could fix anything, too. As a boy, there weren't many things that compared to the sadness and shame of breaking a loved toy. But Dad could take that away most times, and that was magic.

The man loved Ice cream and Halloween. If I could live any days over in my life, you can bet I'll be Trick or Treating with him. He would follow us down the streets with his old Ford pickup. At the end of a street we'd hop in and dump our candy in a big paper bag. He told us that we'd get more candy if our small bags were empty because people would assume we had a late start and feel sorry for us....he was right! We felt so clever.

His toughness is legendary, at least to me. One morning my mother woke me up, screaming. "MARK! You HAVE to take your Dad to the hospital, he cut off his FINGERRR!" Dad seemed upset. He wasn't at all upset about the finger, but the inaccuracy of her statement seemed to irritate him. "I didn' cut it off, DANG It....Ah MAYSHED IT OFF!" I calmly told everyone not to panic and immediately backed up against a wall. I slid down to the floor, narrowly avoiding passing out. My Father, with 9 and a half fingers, was the calmest guy in the room. He stayed married to the same woman for over 50 years...that's more impressive to me than the finger thing.

Everyone knew him, and he was well liked by all. I think I was referred to as "George Carver's boy" growing up more than I was by my actual name. It's impossible to sum up all my feelings and memories of this man on here, but I'm going to add one more label to him: Influential.

Goodbye Dad, thank you for many of my best qualities and the parts of me that I am most proud of.

Your son,
Mark





“ Uncle George was such a kind man. When my husband Byron Gross and I would hunt on my Grandma Carver's land he would stop by a check to make sure we were all ok. I am so sorry for your loss. I will miss him. His laugh was so wonderful. I am praying for the family and friends

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