



James Howard Toombs

November 27, 1919 - December 3, 2013

James Howard Toombs, our beloved father, grandfather and uncle left this world on Tuesday, December 3, 2014, to be with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

He was born November 27, 1919, in Gulfport, MS, graduated from George S. Gardiner High School in 1938, and served his country in the United States Army from 1940 to 1946, serving in Germany, Belgium and France during World War II. He was married to the love of his life, Sarah Downs Toombs for 71 years, before she preceded him in death in January 2012.

He was a paint contractor, owner of Toombs, Inc., a paint, craft, wrought iron and antique store, where he worked side by side with his wife and his brother. He was preceded in death by his wife, Son, George David Toombs; mother and step-father, Bessie T. Smith and Jack Smith; father and step-mother, Howard L. and Jane Toombs; a brother, John Toombs; and a sister, Rachel Gruber.

He is survived by a son, Jimmy (Candy) Toombs; a daughter, Betty (Kent) Kreider; four grandchildren, Sandy Kitchens, Jamey Toombs, Julie Blackmon, Danyelle Toombs, and Kent Henderson; seven great grandchildren, Ben Mitchell, Alexis and Kailee Kitchens, Cassidy Toombs, Josh Blackmon, Ellis Toombs, and Samantha Ross; two nephews, Jon (Betty) Toombs and Peter (Maren) Casano; and nieces, Sandra (Steve) Walton, Linda (John) Schenck and Carl Rae (Glenn) Cannon.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, December 7, 2013, at Memory

Chapel Funeral Home with Pastor Glenn McElhenney officiating. Burial will follow in Hickory Grove Cemetery. Visitation will be held from 5 until 8 p.m. Friday, December 6, 2013, at Memory Chapel.

Memorial may be made to Grace International World Ministries.

Memory Chapel is in charge of the arrangements. To view and sign the family guest book, visit www.memorychapellaurel.com.

Tribute Wall

JT

“ *Betty and Jr. We send our condolences to you and your families. Uncle James was a fine man and good friend.*

James (Pat) Taylor - December 07, 2013 at 07:47 PM

MA

“ *Mrs Betty, Mr. Kent and Sandy we are so sorry for your loss Mr Toombs was such a wonderful and loving man. We are praying for all of you know we are here if there's anything we can do for any of you.*

Love, Mary and Jerry Armbrust Terri and Gene Hudson

Mary and Jerry Armbrust - December 07, 2013 at 03:42 PM

JE

“ *My sympathy, thoughts and prayers are with you all as we are saddened by the loss of James....through it all we celebrate his life with thankfulness and know he is safely home; Sarah was waiting for him, too. My memories include when he came home from the Army and brought Sarah to meet us. Her sweetness and gracious spirit impressed us all and James was totally besotted, or as my daddy said, "he's a goner!" I hold you all in my heart. Love, cousin Jean*

Jean Taylor Erickson - December 07, 2013 at 01:13 PM

CB

“ *kent, betty, and sandy the years go by so fast but i will never forget the love and kindness that mr and mrs toombs and your family has given me. we will all be together again. i love yall dearly and will never ever forget the great people this family has been love yall, cindy*

cindy blue - December 06, 2013 at 08:28 AM

PW

“ *Mr. Toombs was a wonderful man. I have fond memories of him and Mrs. Tooms. My brothers Gary and Gayle grew up with Georgie and was a sad day for all of us when he passed away. I'm sorry for your loss of your father but I know he's in heaven with his love ones today. Praying for you all.*

Patricia s. White - December 04, 2013 at 10:38 AM

GG

“ *Dearest Kreider and toombs families- So sorry about your loss . Mr toombs was a precious man to me and I will always remember him and ms toombs. Know that I am praying for each of you today and in the days to come . Much love to each of you.*

Ginny Gough - December 04, 2013 at 08:39 AM