



John T. "Tommy" Harrison, Sr.

June 10, 1928 - June 5, 2017

John T. "Tommy" Harrison Sr., a native and longtime resident of Laurel, was called home to his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ at the age of 88 on Monday, June 5, 2017, at his son's home in Bayou Vista, LA, just five days shy of his 89th birthday.

A loving son, husband, father, and grandfather, Tommy was a family man through and through. He spent his early years in Mississippi, then lived briefly in Morgan City, until he retired and moved back to Laurel. He spent his entire career working for McDermott International, working in Africa, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Egypt, and Mexico, until retiring in 1983. Following retirement Tommy used his entrepreneurial spirit and took up farming, raising cattle and growing and selling produce. He was a kind and generous man, often giving whatever he could to those in need. He was a faithful Christian, attending services at various area churches. Tommy will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Those left to cherish his memory include his son, John T. Harrison Jr. and his wife Crystal of Bayou Vista, LA; daughter-in-law, Belinda Smith of Houma, LA; his grandchildren, John T. Harrison III of Stone Mountain, GA, Jeremy M. Harrison of Bayou Vista, as well as three grandsons whom he and his late wife raised from an early age, Jason R. Harrison of Laurel, Jacob L. Harrison and his wife Breane of Columbia, and Josh W. Harrison of Oxford; and his

great grandchildren, Ashton, Carter, and Cash Harrison, all of Columbia, Jason R. Harrison Jr. and Jayden Harrison, both of Laurel, and Finn Harrison of Bayou Vista, LA.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Edna Ruth Tucker Harrison; his son, Gary T. Harrison; his parents, Solomon Harrison and Rosa Jane Nicholson Harrison; and his four siblings, Pete, Bobby, Julie, and Junior.

The family would like to extend their deepest gratitude to HL Haydel Memorial Hospice of Houma, LA for the loving and compassionate care given to Tommy in his final days.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, June 10, 2017, at Memory Chapel in Laurel, MS with interment at Lake Park Hills Cemetery. Visitation will be held from 5 until 8 p.m. Friday at Memory Chapel. Rev. Scott Davis will officiate.

To sign the online guest book, visit www.memorychapellaurel.com.

Cemetery Details

Lake Park Hills Cemetery

2806 Emmy Dr.
Laurel, MS 39440

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 9. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Memory Chapel Funeral Home
3100 Audubon Drive
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Service

JUN 10. 11:00 AM (CT)

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“ *Offering our deepest condolences and prayers to you and your family during this difficult time. May Mr. Tommy rest in God's eternal peace and may our Lord Jesus Christ console your hearts as only He can.*

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“ *Mr. Tommy and his sister Mrs. Julie attended the first Strengthford School Reunion in 2004 (Wayne County). They also attended the reunion over the next few years as their health allowed them. I remember their facial expressions of happiness as they signed the register each year. It was people like Mr. Tommy and Mrs. Julie that made all the efforts worth while. When we have our 15th annual reunion in 2018, his name will be called along with the others who have passed since the 2017 reunion. May God bless each of you. Albert and Sara Landrum*

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