



Douglas Astor Galyon

January 29, 1941 - January 29, 2013

Douglas Astor Galyon, 72, of Philadelphia, TN, passed away on January 28, 2013 at Sweetwater Hospital after a brief illness. He was a member of First Baptist Church in Philadelphia where he served as a deacon. Douglas loved his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and became a Christian at age 9. Doug took an active interest in cars at an early age, building his first car at 17 out of used parts starting with an old car stored in their family barn. He was parts manager at local Chevrolet dealerships for 41 years, retiring from Jack Nelson Buick, in Lenoir City, TN in 2002. Doug was a kind and gentle Gentleman and a wonderful uncle to his nieces and nephews. He was an active member of Sweetwater Valley Lodge no. 280 IOOF and Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge in Tennessee, a Family Fraternity. He is survived by wife: Sara Rausin Galyon, of Philadelphia, brother: Frederick Albert and wife Vivian Galyon, of Sweetwater, several nieces and nephews, and cousins. Preceded in death by : parents, Samuel Noah and Ola Mae Buckner Galyon, brothers: William Everett and Kenneth Samuel Galyon. The family will receive friends on Thursday, January 31, 2013 at First Baptist Church Philadelphia, from 5:00P.M. until 7:00P.M. with the funeral service to follow at 7:00P.M. with Rev. Brian Courtney officiating. Family and friends will meet at 9:45A.M. Friday at the West View Cemetery in Sweetwater for a 10:00A.M. interment. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church Philadelphia Building Fund or to Doug's Grand Master project, Visual Research, in care of Dean Ward chairman, 400 Lattie Reese Rd. Hartsville, TN 37074. Kyker

Funeral Homes, Sweetwater, in charge of arrangements. www.kykerfuneralhomes.com

Tribute Wall

GF

“*Doug was a true gentleman in every way and indeed rare these days.*

I will miss his great smile, and manners.

So sorry for your loss!

Glessia

Glessia Woodruff - Maryville, TN - Family - February 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BF

“*Dear Sara:*

This is a very sad time for us and of course, you, as we bid farewell to our very special friend, Doug. It will not be the same at Grand Lodge this year without "Sweet Thang" Galyon. We treasure the many years of wonderful friendship and all the special times we have had with this wonderful Christian friend. As we said, this is such a sad time for us but such a happy time for Doug in his new home with our Heavenly Father, waiting for you.

You are in our prayers.

Bill and Janie Emmert - Strawberry plains, TN - Friend - January 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LR

“*Truly, Doug was a gentleman; rare to find in this day and age. I know if my dad had lived he would have grieved his cousin's passing.*

Prayers for Sara and her family.

Louise Burnette Barnes - Sweetwater , TN - relative - January 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ Dear Sarah, my heartfelt condolences to you and your family. Doug was one of the most kind and gentle people I've ever known. I know that you will miss him terribly but that you also find peace & comfort in knowing that Doug is in Heaven praising his King. He struggles no more and waits for you and his friends to join him for all eternity at the feet of Jesus.

Kim Wyrick Reynolds - Oak Ridge, TN - Family Friend - January 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Dear Sister Sara: my son and I send our sincere sympathy and love to you today. I have known, respected and loved Doug for many years. Sharing a like faith cemented our friendship. You will remain in our prayers. It is my plan to. See you tomorrow for visitation and for the funeral. Memories of loved ones become treasures in our hearts. My memories of his gentle spirit, his twinkle in his eyes and his genuine smile will long brighten my heart. God Bless You.
Charles E. Worrell, Sr. Grand Secretary of TN and Past Sovereign Grand Master

Dr. Charles Worrell, Sr. - Ridgetop, , TN - Friend and Grand Lodge Officer f - January 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Dear Sara:
We send our most heartfelt sympathy to you with much love. We will miss Doug so very much. He was a good friend and a wonderful Christian man. We have wonderful memories of our good times together back in Tennessee with you both. May God bless you and comfort you.
Love, your friends,
Judy and Don Hunt

Judy Hunt - Ocala, FL - Friend - January 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

HF

“ *I attended 12 years of school and 6 years in National Guard with Doug and he was a dear friend & a very fine man. I cannot say enough good things about him & my prayers are with his family.*

H. Ray Thomas - Sweetwater, TN - friend - January 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM