



Max Whalen

June 8, 1928 - October 28, 2019

Max Whalen went home to our Lord and Savior on Oct. 28, 2019. Max was born in 1928 to Warren and Hazel Whalen. Max's bride of 72 short years is Vontella (Bonnie) Britton Whalen. They have three married children, all residents of Harriman, Gwen and Roy Hill, Mike and Linda Whalen and Rocky and Kim Whalen. Paw (Max) had sisters: June Whalen Pyle, Mary Sue Whalen, Brothers; Bill, Don, Gerald, all deceased now. He has one surviving brother Tony Whalen, also of Harriman. Max was employed at the Harriman Paper Mill for 40 years. Max was a member of Pine Ridge Baptist Church of Harriman.

Paw and Granny lived on their Sugar Grove Farm, surrounded by their 3 children, 6 Grandchildren and 10 Great grandchildren. The farm was a place to grow, and develop a love of all God's creation. Love was the main crop. Second crop was fun. He was an outdoorsman with a true love of fishing. From Canada to the gulf, he loved it all. He enjoyed life and had a wide smile and ready laugh. After returning home from an unsuccessful fishing trip, Bonnie would ask, "well?" Max would respond with blue eyes twinkling, "Fisherman's luck, wet butt and a hungry gut".

The family will receive friends Tuesday, October 29, 2019 from 6pm until 7pm at the Kyker Funeral Home in Harriman. The funeral will follow at 7pm. Burial will be on October 30 at Roane Memorial Gardens at 2 PM. In lieu of flowers

the family request donations be made to Pine Ridge Baptist Church 151
Edwards Road Harriman, TN. 37748.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **29**. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Service

OCT **29**. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Burial

OCT **30**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Roane Memorial Gardens
1400 N Gateway Ave
Rockwood, TN 37854

Tribute Wall



“ *Kyker Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Max Whalen*



Kyker Funeral Home - October 29, 2019 at 01:42 PM

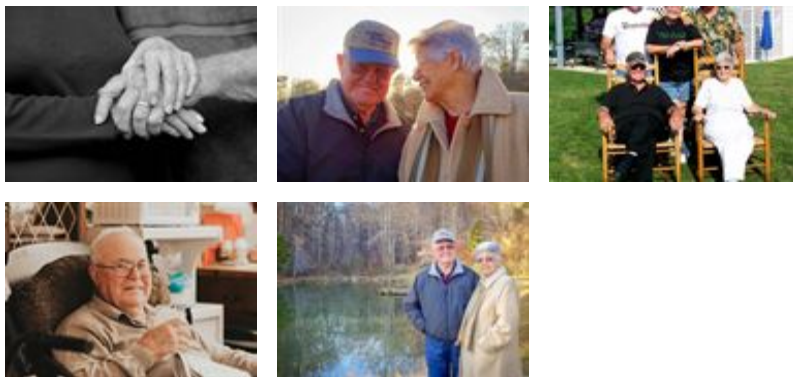


“ *I believe that I was in the 7th or 8th grade, over 40 years ago, and I started taking square dance lessons with my Mom and Dad and Max and Vontella were there. I remember that I was very nervous. Max made square dancing fun. I could barely keep up with him.*


Vickie Lawson - October 29, 2019 at 04:31 PM



“ *87 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Kyker Funeral Home - October 29, 2019 at 01:33 PM

 Gina
Ross

“ *Gwen, I'm so sorry to hear about the loss of your Dad. My prayers are with you & the family.*

Gina Ross - October 29, 2019 at 12:00 PM

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“ *Tony so sorry for your loss.*

Tammi Crowe Hensley - October 29, 2019 at 09:53 AM

JT

“ *Mike and Linda, I am so sorry to hear of your dad's passing but I am rejoicing he is now sitting at Jesus' feet. I pray for comfort for all your family. Jill and John*

Jill and John Turnbull - October 28, 2019 at 07:55 PM