



## Tommy Franklin Carpenter

April 5, 1938 - March 3, 2015

Tommy F. Carpenter, age 76, of Sweetwater, went home to be with his Lord and Savior on Tuesday, March 03, 2015, at the family home, after a brief illness. His home church was Lee's Chapel Baptist Church where he attended, he did a lot of mission work and mission trips. He retired from Hiwassee College, in Madisonville, after 36 years of service having served as the director of maintenance. Preceded in death by his parents: William R. "Bill" and Martha McKeehan Carpenter, step-mother: Matilee Carpenter, son: Kelly Carpenter, brothers: Vernon, Aquilla, Winnford, W.R. and Dwight Carpenter. Survivors include his wife of 56 years: Grace Gunn Carpenter, sons and daughter-in-law: Ty Carpenter, Greg and Lisa Carpenter, all of Sweetwater, daughter and son-in-law: Cheryl and Don Conner, of Clinton, grandchildren: Holly and Jim Bryant, of Lenoir City, Lacey Carpenter, of Lenoir City, Justin Conner, of Clinton, Marshall and Elizabeth Carpenter, of Sweetwater, great-grandchildren: Hannah and Lucas Bryant, of Lenoir City, sister and brother-in-law: Barbara and Olen Kyker, sister-in-law: Sharon Carpenter, all of Sweetwater, several nieces, nephews, friends, and neighbors. The family will receive friends on Friday, March 6, 2015 at Kyker Funeral Homes, Sweetwater, from 5:00P.M. until 8:00P.M. with the funeral service to follow at 8:00P.M. in Kyker's Chapel with Rev. Paul Thomas, Rev. Dennis Hicks, and Rev. Lester Gunn officiating. Family and friends will meet at Lee's Chapel Baptist Church Cemetery at 10:45A.M. on Saturday for a 11:00A.M. interment. Kyker Funeral Homes, Sweetwater, in charge of arrangements.



# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 6. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Kyker Funeral Homes  
OUR SWEETWATER CHAPEL  
PO Box 309, 113 W. North Street  
Sweetwater, TN 37874  
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## Funeral Service

MAR 6. 8:00 PM (ET)

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## Interment

MAR 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

Lee's Chapel Cemetery  
Lee's Chapel Rd  
Sweetwater, TN 37874

# Tribute Wall

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“ *The Kiger family sends much sympathy to the Carpenter family. Tommy worked with my dad (Gene Kiger) for many years at Hiwassee and Dad held Tommy in such high regard. He was such a good man and they had a great friendship. We are thinking of you at this time.*

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**Cissy Smith** - March 07, 2015 at 11:16 AM

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“ *Grace and family, Thinking of you today. Enjoyed knowing Tommy over the years as a friend of my brother Varnell, seeing him in the community at Nelson's store, seeing him working at Hiwassee or supporting the basketball teams, and meeting him at restaurants when you were with Alene and Roger. Many people have lots of fond memories of him.*

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**Vera Whited Hyatt** - March 06, 2015 at 10:38 AM

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“ *Tommy was the best dad, father in law and papaw...we love and miss you...We look forward to that glorious reunion. Love Greg, Lisa, Marshall and Elizabeth*

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**Greg Carpenter** - March 04, 2015 at 09:12 PM

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“ *Greg Carpenter lit a candle in memory of Tommy Franklin Carpenter*



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**Greg Carpenter** - March 04, 2015 at 08:57 PM

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*I love you papaw..love Elizabeth*

**Greg Carpenter** - March 06, 2015 at 08:33 AM

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**Greg Carpenter** - March 04, 2015 at 08:53 PM

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“ *Greg Carpenter lit a candle in memory of Tommy Franklin Carpenter*



**Greg Carpenter** - March 04, 2015 at 08:51 PM

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*I love you papaw...Love Marshall*

**Greg Carpenter** - March 04, 2015 at 08:55 PM

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“ *I have known Tommy all of my life, He has always been a cheerful, pleasant person. He was a godly man who will be greatly missed.*  
*Clayton Dunsmore*

**Clayton Dunsmore** - March 04, 2015 at 04:31 PM