



Wallace Clifford Austin

March 21, 1923 - February 22, 2010

Wallace Clifford Austin of Harriman originally from Dayton, Tn. Left the earthly bonds to be with his maker on February 22, 2010. Those who knew him will deeply miss his smile, laugh, warm welcome when he saw them. He had a wonderful life and will greatly missed by all that knew him. Wallace moved to Roane County in the 1940's where he worked for Burlington Industries for thirty plus years, he also was the manager of both the Harriman City Pool and the Emory Golf & Country Club Pool for numerous years. Where he taught a large percentage of Roane Countians their first swimming lessons. He was the co-owner of the Minute Store at Caney Creek in Midtown. An Eagle Scout and former Scout master, a Little League Baseball coach, and was on the Harriman City School Board for twenty-two years. He also loved his church and could be seen ushering the same door at South Harriman Baptist Church for over twenty years, never missing a Sunday unless his health would not allow him too. During his retirement years he worked part-time for twenty years at Kroger in Midtown. Where he was deeply loved and appreciated by all who worked with and all that served by him. He is preceded in death by his father and mother, brother, Eugene Austin, and a sister, Billie-June "Peep" Austin.

Survivors

His wife of 35 years Betty Austin

3 son's Richard, Terry, and Alan Austin

2 daughter's in law Rebecca Austin and Dedra Austin

2 step daughter's Rita Byrd and Donna Cox

2 son in law's Bob Byrd and Jerry Cox

Sister Helen Jewel

Seventeen grandchildren Krista & Brian Provenzano, Sara Austin, Collin Austin, Houston Pass, Marcus Pass, Jessica & Matt Marine, Maggie & Ronnie Edwards, Billy Aikens, Sonya Fischer, Mitzi & Bryan Kennedy, and Candy Isham, Phil Isham Jr. and Josh Isham

13 great grandchildren Emily Davis, Abigail Davis, Isabella Provenzano, & Antonio Provenzano, Jace Marine, soon-to-be Jacob Edwards, Connor, Casey & Christopher Kennedy, Alburn & Nikki Isham, Drew Fischer and Drake Newby

one great great grandchild Ayden

Funeral 8 PM Wednesday February 24, 2010 at Kyker Funeral Home Chapel in Harriman with Rev. Todd Dorsey officiating. Interment 11 AM Thursday in Smyrna Cemetery, Dayton. The family will receive friends from 5 to 8 PM Wednesday at Kyker Funeral Home in Harriman. Donations may be made to the memorial fund of South Harriman Baptist Church.

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KC

“ I have wonderful memories of Wallace teaching me to swim and jump from the high dive. My love for swimming is due to him having such an interest in teaching us kids at the City Pool. I am sure God will carry you through this difficult time. God bless.

Karen Branam Coy - March 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ We are sorry for you loss. I know he will be greatly missed. Our prayers are with you.

Bob and Crystal Ray - February 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GD

“ We are very sorry to hear of Mr. Austin's passing. We will miss seeing him at Krogers.

Gary, Nancy, Kristen, and Misty Delozier - February 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ Richard, Terry and Alan,
Your dad was my baseball coach in my younger days and football trainer at Harriman High School my senior year. My dad Buster Goddard always said he was a good man. I always enjoyed being around him and he will be greatly missed.

Jerry Goddard - February 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KK

“ I want to say that I was blessed to have Wallace in my life. He helped raise all of us kids in Harriman. He also helped raise after we were adults. His smile was infectious. He truly was a blessing to know all these years.

kim Henley Kennedy - February 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ Wally was such a warm and loving person. I always look forward to see him and his smile, I can't remember a time that we wasn't smiling....He was so important to me when I played basketball for Harriman in the 65,66,67..He as one of the prople that bought the Girls and Boys Team Blue Blazer when we traveled to away game, back then the girls had to wear skirts or a dress to school.I remember all of the dances he had for us after the bll games.He is going to be missed by so many people, but I know the family is really going to miss him. I pray for the family....Always remember he was loved...God BlessI was Blessed to have had Wally in my life....

Cricket "Human" Lewis - February 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ Alan,
Our sincere condolences on the passing of your father. Our thoughts and prayers are with you & your family during this time.

Mike and Donna Lawson - February 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BL

“ Richard, Terry, and Allen, I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your dad. He was a special man in my life and he was great to the youth of Harriman in many many ways. I saw him at church most every Sunday. His smile and his handshake was something I always looked forward to.

Boyd

Boyd Lewis - February 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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“ Praying for all of the family at this time.

Rhonda Justice (Melton) - February 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BE

“ I know that Mr. Austin will be greatly missed. He was my Scout Master, and a very good one. I remember going into the minute store at Midtown. I know that he is with Jesus now.

Bill Elmore

Bill Elmore - February 24, 2010 at 12:00 AM