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Edward M. Harper, age 83, of St. Augustine, passed away on October 15, 2016 at the Clyde E. Lassen State Veterans Nursing Home. He was born and raised in Marion, South Carolina. Edward moved to Chiefland, Florida during high school, where he met his wife Dorothy. They moved to Jacksonville, Florida and started their family. After subsequent moves to Ohio and Illinois, they returned to Florida then back to Chiefland for their retirement years.

Edward proudly served his country in the U.S. Air force from 1949-1953 and was a veteran of the Korean War period. He was a master electrician by trade but he enjoyed fishing, woodworking, hunting and helping others. Above all he was a loving father, brother, grandfather, and great grandfather. He will be deeply missed by all. He is survived by his daughter, Cheryl Bennett of Ponte Vedra; son, Keith Harper (Wendy) of Sorrento; brothers, Rex Harper (Beverley), Roger Harper, James Harper; sister, Janet; grandchildren, Alyson, Erin, Connor, Logan, and Nathaniel; great grandchildren, Meagan and Eriana. He was preceded in death by his wife of 58 years, Dorothy Harper; parents, Donald and Winnie Harper; brother, Milton Harper. Memorial service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 23, 2016 at St. Johns Family Funeral Home with Pastor Andrew Smith officiating. A gathering of family and friends will precede the service from 1:00- 2:00 p.m. St. Johns Family Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall

MC

“ 8 years papa... its been 8 long years. Happy Veterans Day. I love you so much, I have 2 babies now. They'd absolutely adore you! Preslee would be stomping on your toes just as much as I did. I really wish you and gram were here. I miss you both more than words could ever explain. I miss your laugh everyday. Not a day goes by that i don't think of you. I hope I'm making you proud. Preslee lost her first tooth and beckham is slowly starting to try to walk!



meagan crozier - November 11, 2024 at 09:17 AM



“ It's almost been 5 years papa, I miss you so much. You have a great great granddaughter now, her names Preslee. You'd love her, she loves powdered sugar donuts. Think about you and gram everyday. Love you
-meagan

Meagan Crozier - September 16, 2021 at 04:52 PM

AS

“ Sincere sympathy to the family.

Anne Schultz - October 21, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ When I first became part of the Harper Family and met Edward, I immediately loved him! He was such a kind and sweet soul. He always had a smile on his face and a little twinkle in his eye. He loved his family and was happiest when he was surrounded by them. I recall with fond memories all the "chats" Edward and his siblings would share of days gone by". They all had a deep love for each other and were proud to call each other their brother or sister. Over the years, I realized that when Edward was around, it was difficult to not be smiling and laughing. While Alzheimer's claimed his mind, his heart was still filled with love. Memories of him will always bring happy thoughts to mind. RIP Edward.

Beverly Bateman-Harper - October 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ I remember when Edward was in the Air Force and Mom baked cookies, brownies and Cheese Dreams to mail off. I helped wrap them and probably ate one or two I would guess. When he came home from the Air Force. the family was living in Chiefland. It was fun to hear him talk about his military time, especially when stationed on Guam. I got the impression there was also a lot of Pinochle being played when not working and on maneuvers. He seemed to enjoy it though - as he always seemed to enjoy life, friends and family. When he married Dot, they lived for a short time in one of the Cottages at Dad's 'Long Pond Motor Court' in Chiefland. It was great to have he and Dot around, especially since I was a bit young to remember him before he left for service. Over the years, over the miles, he and family stayed in close touch. On retirement, I got to see he and Dot even more. He never had an unkind word, was always willing to lend a hand, and he always had a smile even when Alzheimer's took away his memory. Edward will be so missed, but I believe he is happy now with all those who went before and are waiting for him. Godspeed, kind brother.

Janet LaCoste - October 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SJ

“ *Mother(Evelyn Harper Huggins) and I send our deepest sympathy to each of you. Although we are far away and unable to travel, know that we will keep you in our prayers.*

Susan B. James - October 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM