



James Eugene Henson

January 21, 1929 - July 26, 2022

James Eugene “Gene” Henson was born at home on January 21, 1929, in Cooksville, Missouri to Jesse James and Florence Irene Henson and departed this life on July 26, 2022, in Springfield, Missouri.

He was called Gene by his family and friends. Gene was an over the road trucker for most of his working life. Farming with his family before starting his career as a trucker was something he always enjoyed. Family meant so much to him.

Gene was the most kind and patient man and never spoke badly of anyone. He was always willing to help anyone. He loved his neighbors and friends, always welcoming them to come visit anytime. He met his wife, Virginia while she was caring for his mother. He married the love of his life, Virginia R. Keith Martin, on July 8, 1990.

Gene was preceded in death by his wife; his parents; four brothers, Dale, Barton, Orville and Lonnie Ray Henson. He is survived by two daughters, Auburn Thornton and Roberta Smith; a son, Odell Keith; a friend Michael that kept him laughing all the time; two nephews; one niece; and a host of friends that sadly miss him.

Funeral Services for Gene will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, July 29, 2022, at the Cantlon-Otterness & Viets Funeral Home in Buffalo, Missouri. Bro.

Caleb McClure will be officiating. Visitation will take place before the service at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, July 29, 2022. Interment will be at Stoutland Cemetery in Stoutland, Missouri.

Cemetery Details

Stoutland Cemetery

8-18 Firehouse Rd.
Stoutland, MO 65567

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **29.** 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Cantlon-Otterness & Viets Funeral Home - Buffalo
931 W. Main St.
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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *James Eugene Henson* ”

October 09, 2023 at 12:27 PM



“ *James Eugene Henson* ”

October 09, 2023 at 04:09 AM



“ *James Eugene Henson* ”

October 05, 2023 at 11:14 PM



“ *James Eugene Henson* ”

October 05, 2023 at 05:41 PM



“ *James Eugene Henson* ”

December 20, 2022 at 10:20 AM



“ *Auburn Thornton lit a candle in memory of James Eugene Henson* ”



Auburn Thornton - July 28, 2022 at 11:37 PM

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We had/have a lot of memories together, he will surely be missed ,such a nice person. I will surely miss the phone calls and laughter we had together. I will never forget you 😊❤️🌹

Auburn Thornton - July 28, 2022 at 11:46 PM

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We love you 🌹

Auburn Thornton - July 28, 2022 at 11:47 PM

RS

“ One of my memories of Gene is he always said "Good Morning Sunshine" to my twin Punkin & me Peanut in the mornings when would be spending our vacations with him & mom...love yall so much 💕💕



Roberta Smith - July 28, 2022 at 04:27 PM

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“ Gene was one of the kindest and sweetest gentlemen ever. Always loved helping others. My sincere condolences to his family. RIP sweet Gene ❤️

Judy Warren - July 27, 2022 at 09:08 PM