



Dale Walter Harrison

December 24, 1939 - December 24, 2014

Dale Walter Harrison, 75, of Rossville, Georgia passed away peacefully at home, Wednesday, December 24, 2014. A native of New Orleans, Louisiana, he has resided in the Rossville, Georgia area since 2000, and was formerly of Michigan. Dale earned his Bachelor of Science in Occupational Education degree and Master of Science in Education from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, Illinois. Dale retired in March 1978 from the U.S. Air Force as Master Sergeant after 20 years of service, was Coordinator of the Dental Technology Program at Lewis & Clark Community College, Godfrey, Illinois from (1978-1986), Program Director Dental Technology and Department Head of Allied Dental Program at Ferris State University, in Big Rapids, Michigan (1986 – 1999), and Coordinator Dental Laboratory Technology Program for Project HOPE, in Lisbon, Portugal (1989-1990). He loved gourmet cooking, photography, genealogy research, classic cars, fishing and reading. He was a member of many organizations, Phi Kappa Phi, American Legion Post # 214, American Legion 40 & 8, Sons of the American Revolution, the Chattanooga Delta Genealogy Society, a Freemason and Shriner, Chairman of the Board of Directors of Heartland Therapeutic Programs, Sons of American Legion and his mother entered him in a baby contest when he was an infant and was voted "Most Beautiful Baby". He is preceded in death by his parents, Walter S. and Vera Salvant Harrison and brother, Norman Harrison. He is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, Michael and Nancy Harrison of Signal Mtn., Tennessee; daughter and son-in-law, Janice and Randy McKee of Godfrey,

Illinois; ex-wife, Karen Harrison-Gunter of Alton, Illinois; sister, Vera Harrison Shaffer of Canton, Ohio; three grandchildren, Ryan (Amy) Harrison, Corey (Tori) McKee and Sarah McKee; two step grandchildren, Ben Collins and Louise Collins, one great grandson, two nieces, one nephew; and good friends and co-workers, Barbara "Bobbie" Allison-Standefer and Hollis Allison both of Chattanooga, Tennessee. Memorial services will be held 1:30 P.M. Friday January 2, 2015 in the funeral home chapel. Interment will follow at Chattanooga National Cemetery. The family will receive friends Friday from 12:00 P.M. until 1:30 P.M. at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers donations are requested to be made to Heartland Therapeutic Programs or the Shriners' Hospital. Arrangements are by W.L. Wilson & Sons Funeral Home Ft. Oglethorpe, Georgia.

Tribute Wall

AH

“ I was so sorry to hear of Dale passing away. He was young!!! I can still hear his laugh! We spent many hours talking about the military as I was a military brat and traveled much with our family. Dale was a great manager and always listened to concerns about work and was fair...at least as fair as one can be when working with mostly women.

I remember many BBQ's that he would do for our students and many of our work get togethers...he was always cooking up something great! Turkey basted in wine, etc.

Dale was one of the good ones and he is dearly missed. Rest in peace, my friend. And prayers go to the family.

Annette Jackson - Big Rapids, MI - Dept Head Dental Hygiene - January 05, 2015
at 12:00 AM

GF

“ Dale, words alone cannot express the sadness and loss Gayle and I feel of your passing. Never again will the Christmas Holidays be filled with complete joy, remembering this is the time of the year that you left us. Even though we have known each other for 5 short years you were not only a friend, but a brother-in-arms. And, as a brother, we laughed together, drank together, bore sad times together, and, as brothers do, argued together. The very few times we did disagree, we remained friends. As you said, back in October: “We can argue, call each other names, cuss, holler, and even knock each other down, but in the end we can get up, brush our selves off, shake hands, and walk out as friends. There isn’t anybody else I can do this with – we still respect each other...” I will always remember this conversation we had together. It was as heartwarming to me, as I know it was for you saying it to me. That’s what makes brothers.

Dale, you spent your whole life giving to others, whether it be to your Nation, your teachings, or your volunteer service to your community, you have given your all, and for this we are all profoundly grateful. Your tireless devotion and service to others has now cost you your life. For all your dedication, making life better for others, mission accomplished “Well Done”.

Your work, on earth, is over, now go, be with God, and be at piece my friend, and be at rest my brother.....

G. B. "Jack" Staples - Rossville, GA - Friend/Brother-in-Arms - January 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ I have called Dale "friend" for many years now. I will always remember the wonderful times we spent together. He will be greatly missed.

Carl Gentry - Ringgold, GA - Retired Air Force comrade - January 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Prayers to the family. Dale will be greatly missed.

Jennifer Palmer - Crandall, GA - friend - December 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

GF

“ Rest in Peace Dale. You will be greatly missed.

Gardner and Robin Cahoon - Soddy Daisy, TN - Friend - December 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DO

“ So sorry to hear of Dale`s passing. He was a very special friend,

Dorothy Bittinger - Butler, OH - Class mate at Butler Ohio - December 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

HF

“ For Dale's family, Herb and I will miss you. It has been many years since we've been together, but memories linger. Rest in peace, friend.

Herb Conlan - Anchorage, AK - Friend - December 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TO

“ Dale,

We are so saddened to hear that you have left us from this earth. We always looked forward to your smile and always funny jokes. Over the months that you came to visit us here at our office we grew very close to you and always enjoyed your visits with us. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this tough time.

Total Health Chiropractic - St. Elmo

Total Health Chiropractic - Chattanooga, TN - Chiropractic Office - December 29, 2014 at 12:00 AM

NF

“ *Went to school with Dale at Butler Ohio. He was always' friendly and had a great smile.*

Family and Friends' you have my deepest Sympathy at this time. May God give you comfort and strength at this time.

Naomi Henry Wander

Naomi Henry Wander - Perrysville , OH - friend - December 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

VC

“ *May you RIP Dale . We were all close cousins and spent many of weekends by our Grandparent's house . And almost every holiday , and your mom would always give us kids a birthday party for our birthday . We all had a great childhood spending time to know our family . May your family find peace in there hearts to know you are with your Savior Jesus Christ with no pain and eternal life . God Blessings on all .*

Violet MELERINE - Violet, LA - First cousins - December 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ It is with deepest sadness to have heard of Dale's passing. Thoughts & prayers to Vee, Michael & Janice during this sad time. Your family in Mississippi is with you in spirit for those of us who cannot be there in person. With much love, Kim

Kim Danna - Clinton, MS - Cousin - December 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ Dale and I graduated high school together The Class of '57 of Butler High School, God Speed your work here is done, Now God has other plans for you. My prayers are with your family, I always say remember the good times. Dorothy

Dorothy {McAuley}McClure - Niceville, FL - classmate - December 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ I will miss you brother. You treated me like family. Dale was LOVED BY EVERYONE. His heart was in helping veterans. He will be missed by all.

Bob Punch - Chickamauga, GA - Friend - December 27, 2014 at 12:00 AM