



Carl Eugene "Gene" Holden

August 16, 1933 - September 18, 2024

Carl Eugene "Gene" Holden, age 91 of Laurel, Maryland, passed away at Baltimore VA Medical Center in Baltimore, Maryland, on Wednesday, September 18, 2024. He was born in Dayton, Tennessee, on August 16, 1933, the son of the late James Wendell Holden and Viola (Holland) Holden. He was also preceded in death by his granddaughter, Lacie Holden.

Gene was born and raised in Dayton and lived in Laurel, Maryland, since 1963. He traveled the world with the US Navy and retired as a building manager for the federal government. He was an avid golfer, was a 32nd Mason, was Master of Laurel Masonic Lodge in 1980, and was a Shriner. He was of the Baptist faith.

Gene is survived by his wife of 49 years, Teena Paulette (Duncan) Holden of Laurel, Maryland; his children, Randy Holden, Lee Ann (Tim Forsythe) Bishop, and Andy (Patty Coleman) Holden, all of Dayton; his sister, Elizabeth Owens of Dayton; his grandchildren, Jessica Schweitzer, Lindie Loher, Frank Boeckmann, Michael Cave, Tana Bishop, and Shannon Holden; his 20 great-grandchildren; and his three great-great-grandchildren.

A private family visitation and graveside service will be on Tuesday, September 24, 2024. He will be laid to rest at Rhea Memory Gardens with Navy military honors.

Please share your memories and photos of Gene on his online guest register at www.vanderwallfh.com.

The family is being cared for by Vanderwall Funeral Home in Dayton, Tennessee.

Cemetery Details

Rhea Memory Gardens

Highway 27 Bypass P.O. Box 148
Dayton, TN 37321
(423) 775-2662

Tribute Wall



“ 11 files added to the album Memories Album



Vanderwall Funeral Home, Inc. - October 03, 2024 at 03:14 PM

LB

“ There are too many memories to write, so I will say I love and will miss you! Fly high dad and watch over all of us.



Lee Ann Bishop - September 24, 2024 at 01:42 AM

RH

Dad you show me the path of life and the way to live and work and be a man you will be in my thoughts and in mind and heart forever love dad!

Randy Holden - September 24, 2024 at 07:26 AM

JC

“ James “Laddie” Chauncey purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Carl Eugene “Gene” Holden.



James “Laddie” Chauncey - September 23, 2024 at 07:28 PM



“ I am so sorry to hear of Carl’s passing. I met Carl and Teena though my parents during visits to MD (they were very good friends) I almost felt as though they were part of my extended family. Carl will be missed by many. Teena, you are in my thoughts and prayers.



Kathy Brister - September 23, 2024 at 02:34 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Carl Eugene “Gene” Holden.



September 23, 2024 at 09:36 AM

MR

“ I've been thinking about Uncle Gene off and on all weekend. After a while, I realized how little time we actually spent together through our lifetimes.

When I look back, from the eyes of a little boy, I saw/met someone who wasn't "one of us." I remember being fascinated by his "Yankee" accent, and also that he lived so far away from Dayton.

That stuck with me. I think that, deep down, it let me know that it was okay to leave if I wanted to. I didn't have to follow the plan that others had for my life.

The total time I spent with Uncle Gene probably wouldn't add up to more than a week's time.... maybe two, in my (almost) 70 years of living. Relatively speaking, though, I only had a minute with him, but he left me with a lifetime reminder that it's okay to walk your own path... which I did.

Thanks for the inspiration, Uncle Gene.

Mike Rievley - September 21, 2024 at 10:07 PM

LB

That is awesome Mike and makes me happy they he had just a little influence on your life. You definitely too after him!

Lee Ann Bishop - September 24, 2024 at 01:46 AM