



Leonard Dalton Hayes

September 23, 1946 - February 16, 2022

From carrying 50 pounds of sugar on his back as a kid to make moonshine with his father to watching his two grandchildren play sports every week of their childhood, Leonard Dalton Hayes, aka Snake, lived a life with more stories and memories than can be written down in a few paragraphs.

He passed away peacefully in his home on February 16, 2022 in Mount Pleasant, Tennessee.

He was born on September 23, 1946 to the late Leonard and Elizabeth “Lizzie” Zimmerman Hayes in Columbia, Tennessee. He is preceded in death by his wife of 50 years: Lillian Hayes, brothers: Earl, Buford, Claude, Cleve, Odell, William, and Vance Hayes; and sisters: Dorothy, Irene, Lottie, and Sue.

He is survived by his two daughters Michelle (Keith) Jennings and Millicent Hayes of Summertown, his grandchildren Devon Jennings and Garrett Jennings, adopted granddaughter Emily Sigler, and his sister Marlene Kirk, and many special nieces and nephews.

Dalton lived life with a profound sense of right and wrong as displayed by his service as Constable of Maury County and his candid assessments of local matters at commissioner meetings or the Bypass Market where he liked to drink coffee with his buddies.

Dalton was a member of Summertown Baptist Church, the Ed T. Workman Masonic Lodge, and the Fraternal Order of Police. Before his health declined, he enjoyed visiting local nursing homes and making people smile with his quick wits and local gossip that he always seemed to know before anyone else.

If you were Facebook friends with him, you were used to seeing videos from his trail camera featuring an assortment of deer, turkeys, raccoons, skunks, squirrels, possums, coyotes, and sometimes even his family walking their dog Jingles, his most favorite companion.

Dalton will best be remembered for his clever sense of humor and the many stories he told his grandson on their long drives on backroads visiting old cemeteries and other significant places in his life.

Visitation for Dalton will be held on February 20, 2022 from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM at Williams Funeral Home - Mt. Pleasant. The service for Dalton will follow visitation at 2:00 PM with Howard Kitter officiating. Burial will follow at Arlington Cemetery in Mt. Pleasant, Tennessee.

Pallbearers will be Gordon Travis, Billy Burdette, Robb Clark, Tommy Lee Kidd, Steve Keeton, and Brandon Keeton.

Honorary Pallbearers are Jo Jo Sanders, John Byrd, Terry Jacobs, Tony Kidd, Terry Jennings, Walter Meredith, Jerry Smith, Jimmy Sedberry, Butch Clark, William "Tot" Roddy, and Kenny Travis.

In lieu of flowers, Dalton requested that donations be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or Shriners Hospitals for Children

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 20. 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Williams Funeral Home & Crematory
819 N Main St
Mt Pleasant, TN 38474

Funeral Service

FEB 20. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Mt Pleasant, TN 38474

Burial

FEB 20 (CT)

Arlington Cemeterey
Mt. Pleasant, TN

Tribute Wall

WL

“ I'm sorry for your loss, he was my FB friend sharing pictures of the critters we have. He will be missed.



William and Diane Luttrell - February 20 at 08:49 AM

TL

“ Tina Nichols Lindsey lit a candle in memory of Leonard Dalton Hayes



Tina Nichols Lindsey - February 20 at 08:01 AM

SB

“ I'm so very sorry to hear about Dalton's death. He was a good man, wonderful husband to my sweet cousin, Lillian, an awesome dad and I'm sure granddad. Always enjoyed his stories at our family reunions. He will be greatly missed. I'm sorry I can't be there for you but I'm out of town. Prayers of peace and comfort to you all. Sending my love, Sherry Brown

sherry brown - February 19 at 09:50 AM

MJ

Thank you so much. 💕
Michelle

Michelle Jennings - February 20 at 10:20 AM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Leonard Dalton Hayes.



February 19 at 08:51 AM

PL

“ *Millicent I am so sorry for the loss of your Dad. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. He sounds like someone that enjoyed life to the fullest. May your sweet memories bring you comfort in the days ahead.*

Patricia Lentz - February 18 at 09:32 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Leonard Dalton Hayes.*



February 18 at 07:36 PM



“ *I am so sorry for the loss of this good man. Dalton was a dearly friend of my father's, who I lost in August 2009. There is a wonderful Heavenly reunion going on right now with Dalton's family and friends. Sending prayers of comfort to the family and friends left on earth.*



Sheri Dugger-Hardison - February 18 at 03:24 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Leonard Dalton Hayes.*



February 18 at 02:18 PM