



Mr Howard Shepard Jr

August 27, 1944 - November 10, 2018

Howard Shepard, Jr.
Carthage, MS

Funeral services were conducted for Howard Shepard, Jr. at 2:00 pm Sunday, November 11, 2018 at the Wilcox Chapel with Bro. Randolph Scott and Bro. Dale Rogers officiating.

He had been a patient at Carthage Health and Rehab for the past three years. Junior was born on August 27, 1944, the first son of Aileen Gilmer Shepard and Howard Shepard, Sr. On that date, his father landed in Germany to fight for his country in World War II.

During her pregnancy, Junior's mother contracted mumps which resulted in him being crippled at birth. The night before PVT Shepard stepped on a mine, causing him to lose his left leg, he received an avalanche of letters from home announcing his son's birth.

Junior was a graduate of Walnut Grove High School and a member of Walnut Grove Baptist Church where he served as a deacon. One of his life's greatest prides was being a gospel singing promoter, locally and state-wide. He was a disc jockey at the Carthage and Forest radio stations and worked at Sheller-Globe in Kosciusko. He retired from Wal-Mart in Carthage after 20 years. He was named disabled employee of the year in the Southwestern area.

Survivors include: a brother, J. W. Shepard of Walnut Grove; two sisters, Patricia Reeves of Forest and Kate Rutherford of Jackson; a brother-in-law,

Haywood Reeves of Forest; nephews, Ryan Reeves and Mark Stewart.
In heaven, Junior joined his parents, a brother, Keith Shepard, and a brother-in-law, George Rutherford.
The family thanks the staff of Carthage Health and Rehab for their excellent care, love, and devotion.

Cemetery Details

Fuston Cemetery

Walnut Grove, MS

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 11. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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Funeral

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“ I was sorry to read about the loss of your dear loved one. The bible gives us hope of seeing them again in the promised resurrection to come according to scriptures such as [John 5:28-29] and [Acts 24:15]. We find further hope in scriptures like [Isaiah 25:8] and [Revelations 21:3-5] which says in part that Jehovah God will wipe out every tear from our eyes and death will be no more, because God will swallow up death forever. I hope these scriptures will be of some comfort.

My Sincere Condolences.

Alma Sumler - December 01, 2018 at 12:25 PM