



Oscar Eugene Turner

August 17, 1931 - May 29, 2018

Gene Turner, 86, passed away peacefully on May 29, 2018. He was born on August 17, 1931, in Myron, AR to Ewell and Myrtle (Jackson) Hellums. Gene and his parents moved to Covington, TN, to work with the family cotton sharecroppers. After his father's death, Gene and his mom moved back to Violet Hill, AR, where he grew up, working on the family farm and attending school. He played basketball and baseball, graduating from Violet Hill High School in 1949.

He then moved to Wenatchee, WA, living with his grandma, Minnie Turner, while working in the apple industry in Brewster, WA. He married Jean Owens on August 18, 1951. They had three children: Loye, Sheila, and Greg. He worked for Alcoa and retired after 30 years, in 1993, as a machinist and carpenter.

In his younger days, he enjoyed hunting, fishing, and camping with family and friends. He loved watching and following his grandkids in all their sporting events. One of his fondest memories, was pitching for Mr. T's Jack and Jill softball team and winning the championship game in 1983.

He is survived by his sons: Loye (Pat) Turner, Greg (Kelli) Turner; daughter, Sheila (Larry) Fulbright; grandsons: Travis (Lisa), Todd, Billy Turner; granddaughters: Tiffany (Aaron) Moore, Kristy (Jaime) Flores, Molly (Chad)

Baber, Shaylee (Josh) Childress; and 17 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by father, Ewell Turner; mother, Myrtle Hellums; and step-father, Alfred Hellums.

Viewing will be held on Friday, June 1, 2018, from 1:00-7:00 p.m. at Chapel of the Valley, 302 Ninth St., Wenatchee, WA. A Funeral Service will be held on Saturday, June 2, 2018, at 2:00 p.m., at Eastmont Baptist Church, 400 S. Kentucky St., East Wenatchee, WA. Service will conclude at the church. A private burial will be at Wenatchee City Cemetery. Arrangements are by Chapel of the Valley, Wenatchee, WA.