



Donald Irvin Haney

January 20, 1930 - September 22, 2018

Donald Irvin Haney, 88, passed away, Saturday, September 22, 2018 at home with his family present. Donald was born January 20, 1930 at home in Mt. Pisgah, Arkansas, he tells the story that the doctor had to come through snow to deliver him. He was the sixth child of ten children born to his parents, Claude Umphrey and Arrah Elizabeth Price Haney.

He attended school at Mt. Pisgah then went on to Pangburn high school graduating in 1948, president of his class. He was the first in his family to graduate from high school.

Donald enlisted and served in the 2nd battalion, 153rd Infantry Army National Guard, Searcy, Arkansas, from November 6, 1950 to May 25, 1956. He was honorably discharged as Sgt. E-5.

On December 23, 1950 he married Helen Inez Johnson. They were married at Helen's parents home in West Point, Arkansas.

He worked and traveled with Safeway for 14 years then he moved his family home to Searcy.

On October 1, 1973 he opened Haney's Grocery on the corner of Race and Maple.

In 1977 he built the first Dandy Don's and opened it in November 1977. That's when he became known as "Dandy Don". A few years later he built the second Dandy Don's.

Donald attended Saint Paul United Methodist Church. He loved and cared for

his family and extended family. He loved to have fun, especially taking his family to the Memphis Zoo, attending the St. Louis Cardinals baseball games, taking his grandchildren to the Arkansas Razorback games and watching fireworks at his home place, Haney's farm.

Donald always welcomed his family and friends to his home to share meals with him. There was always plenty of food.

Donald has one son, James Wesley Haney and wife Patricia Ann; two daughters Patricia Ann Haney Sims and husband Tim, Mary Frances Haney Vess and husband Roger, all of Searcy.

Donald has six grandchildren Marcus Vess and wife Timpy of Edmond, Oklahoma; Jamie Haney Marter and husband Wesley, Bubba Haney and wife Heather, Shannon Vess Stewart and husband TJ, Erin Sims Green and husband Josh all of Searcy; Rachael Sims Wolford and husband Marcus of Higginson.

Donald has eleven great-grandchildren Skylar, Ethan and Braxton Vess, Ella and Kate Marter, Layni and Noah Stewart, Eli and Weston Green, Alyssa and Madison Wolford.

Donald is also survived by two brothers Claude Junior Haney, Quitman, Ms. and Kenneth Dale Haney, Searcy, Ar. Two sisters Inez Holeyfield, Rose Bud, Ar. and Winnie Smith, Searcy, Ar.

He was preceded in death by his loving wife of 63 years Helen Inez Johnson Haney, his parents, three brothers, Charles Haney, Toledo, Ohio, Thomas Haney and Herman Wesley Haney, Searcy; two sisters Juanita Baughn and Lola Jean Childers, Searcy, Ar. and many nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers will be his grandsons. Honorary pallbearers will be Wesley Sunday School class at Saint Paul United Methodist Church. Visitation will be Monday, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Saint Paul United Methodist Church. Funeral will be Tuesday, 10:00 a.m., at Saint Paul United Methodist Church.

Burial to take place at Mt. Pisgah Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Saint Paul United Methodist Church, 2509 W. Beebe-Capps, Searcy, Ar. 72143 or to the Mt. Pisgah

Cemetery fund, P.O. Box 2203, Searcy, Ar. 72145.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Pisgah Cemetery

815 Mt. Pisgah Road
Searcy, AR 72143

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **24**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

St. Paul United Methodist Church
Searcy, AR

Funeral Service

SEP **25**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Paul United Methodist Church
Searcy, AR

Interment

SEP **25** (CT)

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Searcy, AR 72143

Tribute Wall



“ Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Donald Irvin Haney



Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services - September 23, 2018 at 06:16 PM



“ I had the privilege of working for Mr Haney when he managed Magic Mart Foods in the late 60's. He was the most fair, kindest boss I've ever had. My prayers go out to Pat, James and Mary.

Allen Quattlebaum - October 02, 2018 at 07:11 PM



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Allen Quattlebaum - October 02, 2018 at 07:05 PM



“ Carol Williams purchased the Simply Happy Kalanchoe Plant for the family of Donald Irvin Haney.



Carol Williams - September 24, 2018 at 12:10 PM

LB

“ I first met Mr. Haney at his first store when I was in grade school; we lived by the space that would eventually become the first Dandy Don's. He was always nice to me, as were his kids, even though I didn't see them as much after we moved. I will never forget his kindness towards me and the neighborhood kids who frequented his stores, and his gentle laughter. RIL Mr. Haney



Leah (Faith) Brooks - September 24, 2018 at 08:59 AM

SM

“ Several years ago, I served on the finance committee at Saint Paul with Don Haney. Mr. Don was always the one that was sensible. When we had issues, it was he who seemed to always say the right things. He kept me grounded, and I've always respected him for it. He told me one time that "Yes, I could give my tithes monthly, mail it in, or even pay it online...but I want to make sure that people see me give every week, in case they miss, I wouldn't want them to see the plate pass me by without giving". He loved the Church and all those within. Very fine man, with a fine family. My condolences to the friends and family. Steve Merritt

Steve Merritt - September 23, 2018 at 08:49 PM

PP

“ One of the sweetest, kindest men in Searcy. Gave me my first job in Searcy. I loved working at Dandy Don's. The customers were loyal and loved this family. I am sorry for your loss, but I am so happy knowing that Mr. Don has gained his reward and is reunited with his beautiful bride. May God comfort you all in this time of need.

Peggy Poole - September 23, 2018 at 07:41 PM

RS

*I always liked Don, he was always so friendly!
So sorry for the family's loss, he was a good man*

robert and Kristi Spurlin - September 23, 2018 at 07:48 PM

DW

Uncle Donald you made it home. Maybe they will play washers in heaven.

Sharon & Dwight Haney

Dwight - September 24, 2018 at 04:46 PM