



Gary L. Haycraft

March 22, 1943 - July 23, 2025

Gary L. Haycraft, 82, of Searcy, passed away July 23, 2025, at his home. He was born on March 22, 1943, in Forrest City, to the late Leon and Virginia (Jackson) Haycraft. Gary graduated from Forrest City High School in the early 1960's and soon after joined the National Guard. He later went on to work for Southwestern Bell telephone company for 33 years. Gary was an avid outdoorsman and especially enjoyed spending his time fishing and being at the lake.

He is survived by his son, Gary Haycraft (Tina) of Booneville, MS; three grandchildren, Tyler Hancock of Booneville, MS, Gabrielle Haycraft of Lewisville, TX, and Genna Haycraft of Booneville, MS; six great grandchildren, Aiden Hancock, Kylie Hancock, Ruger Hancock, MJ Hughes, Eilynn Haycraft, and K'hyzen McIntosh; special friend, Frances Mathews; bonus daughters, Tammy Jackson, Kelly Parson, and Tracy Bailey; and bonus grandchildren, Jake Lawson, Hannah Lawson, James Aaron Parson, and Matthew Parson.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Leon and Virginia Haycraft; and bonus grandson, Garrett Parson.

No services are scheduled at this time.

Arrangements are entrusted to Powell Funeral Home of Searcy. www.powellfuneralhome.net

Tribute Wall

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“ I’m so sad to hear of Mr Grays passing he was a great man I have known him for almost 17 years I was a waitress for him and his dad when he was still around and loved hearing stories about his raccoons after I quit waitressing and I still got to see him at the bookstore where he would go and read the paper and hang out, and that was great You would always run into each other and have Walmart after that and we’d always have a good conversation we did he will be greatly missed. I’m sorry for your loss.

Stacy Rogers - August 21, 2025 at 08:00 PM

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“ "Uncle" Gary will always be in the hearts of the Whitefield Family. He loved telling how he would "babysit" for Mom & Dad. Many memories of Aunt Jennie, Uncle Leon, & Gary. The best mentors a family could ask for. Love for this family...Always...Prayers "Little" Gary for your family!

Shirley Whitefield Benson - July 30, 2025 at 11:19 AM