



Barbara "Gene" McCollum Harper

December 27, 1941 - September 15, 2016

Barbara Gene McCollum Harper age 74 of Scottsboro, formally of Guntersville, died Thursday September 15, 2016 at her residence. Mrs. Harper was born December 27, 1941 to the late Montgomery George "Gum" McCollum and Mildred Katherine Nimon McCollum. She was a graduate of Marshall County High School. Mrs. Harper was a dental hygienist, a longtime member of the Alabama Dental Association and the American Dental Association. She retired from Aetna in Birmingham. After retirement she resided in Scottsboro. She was a gifted painter.

Mrs. Harper is survived by her loving husband of 33 years; Russell N. Harper, Sister; Glenda McCollum Elrod, Nephew; Jeff Elrod, Niece; Kelly Waldrop, Great Nephew; Wesley Waldrop, Great Niece; Macy Elrod, Great Great Nephew McCollum "Mack" Waldrop.

In lieu of flowers family has requested donations be made in memory of Mrs. Harper to Guntersville Professional Fire Fighter Association local 3447.

Cemetery Details

Pleasant Valley Cemetery

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 17. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Carr Funeral Home
1960 O'Brig Avenue
Guntersville, AL 35976
(256) 582-3411

Funeral Service

SEP 17. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *I met Barbara through the American Dental Assistants Association. Although I had not seen her for many years, I have many fond memories of times spent together. A truly lovely lady. My sincere sympathy to all her family and friends.*

Jeannie Maybaum Lipscomb, Richmond, VA

Jeannie Lipscomb - October 19, 2016 at 10:16 PM

TO

“ Barbara was a beautiful woman brought into our life through her husband Russ. She became a life-long friend of the family and gathered with us upon occasion to celebrate someone's birthday, anniversary or just plain talk. She was a lover of Elvis Presley and attended the concert at the VBC with Marion. Barbara associated with our family through all of the marriages, births of children, decisions on college and also attributed to the decision of the family dentist - the one she worked for as a hygenist.



She always greeted you with gladness and a smile - no matter the length of time since she last gathered with us. Barbara made sure to ask about the entire family upon each occasion and would do whatever she could to help in difficult times. She was a light that brightened the entire room and laughed as if she needed to be heard on the highest mountain. Barbara knew that she fit in with the family and didn't hesitate to be comfortable in our presence.

We will truly miss this gift from God and cherish all of the memories she has left in our hearts and minds. As you celebrate her life, know that we are too and will continue to cherish the times we had together. God Bless the family and know that we love you as we love her. We thank Russ for blessing us with the greatest gift God gave him - our friendship with both of them and the love we share for each other.

Love from us all -

Gene Orebaugh

Beth (Orebaugh) Newby

Gene Jr., Donna, Kristin and Hannah Orebaugh and Gracie Owens
Barbara (Orebaugh), Tom, Austin and Kolby Kruk

Mike and Burna Orebaugh

Bobby, Shannon and Monica Orebaugh

The Orebaugh's - September 16, 2016 at 11:50 PM

LM

“ *Loretta Mullens lit a candle in memory of Barbara "Gene" McCollum Harper*



loretta mullens - September 15, 2016 at 09:14 PM

LM

“ *Ms Barb you will so be missed by many that loved you. Russ my heart goes out to you. Prayers from my family to you. Loretta Mullens and family*

loretta mullens - September 15, 2016 at 09:12 PM

DB

“ *We are so sorry to hear of Barbara's passing. Don and I are thinking of you at this difficult time Russ.*

Don & Debbie

Don B - September 15, 2016 at 04:57 PM