



## Arthur Halfacre

May 13, 1933 - December 22, 2022

Edward Arthur Halfacre departed this life December 22, 2022, at his home in Louisville, Mississippi, at 10:50 a.m. Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, December 27 at First Apostolic Church of Louisville with Bro. Michael Halfacre and Bro. Glynn Barker officiating. Visitation will be the day of the service from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. at Nowell-Massey Funeral Home in Louisville. Interment will immediately follow the service in Murphy Creek Cemetery.

Born to Vivian and Hermie Lee Halfacre on May 13, 1933, his 89 years were totally filled with joy and blessings from God. His faithful beloved wife, Mavis Reed Halfacre, lived right by his side caring for, nurturing, and dressing her man until he drew his last breath. Arthur grew up in the Crystal Ridge-Boon community and attended Bond School graduating in 1953. Arthur and Mavis began a school yard courtship at Bond School and married in 1955. Arthur worked in the automotive manufacturing industry in Detroit, Michigan, a few years like so many young men during that time, returning to Louisville where he began operating heavy equipment for his father-in-law, J. T. Reed. In 1959, he began his 54-year career at Taylor Machine Works starting downtown in the machine shop with the founder of Taylor Machine Works, Mr. W. A. Taylor, Sr. Arthur moved into Parts and Service after the big plant was built and enjoyed many good years dealing with the servicemen and Taylor customers all over the state of Mississippi. He had part numbers in his head that no longer existed in parts catalogs. He was given most of the calls when people

particularly had an old or ancient machine needing Taylor parts. He was cool, calm, and collected and tried to see the good in every situation and in every person he dealt with.

Arthur and Mavis built their home in 1959 and lived in Louisville all his life gardening, farming, raising his family, and being a fine example to his many nieces, nephews, and even neighborhood children. He hustled through his chores on Saturdays at home so he could take up time with his young'uns taking them hunting, farming, or swimming. Being an engineer at heart, he rebuilt his own engines, fixed his own automobiles, and created most of the special tools and gadgets he needed to make home life or farm life work better for his purpose. He was a man with a great talent for the ground and his garden grew sumptuously every year. He kept his life as clean as he kept his garden and he gardened a little while every day. Steady. Arthur Halfacre was steady. Tried and true. Dependable and rock solid. Arthur loved God, his family, other people, and he loved life. He was loved by all and will be sorely missed in this remaining life.

He is survived by his devoted wife of 68 years, Mavis Reed Halfacre; and his sons, Michael Halfacre and wife, Pat, of Starkville, Mississippi; and Paul Halfacre of Louisville. One of his greatest joys was being "Pop" to his six grandchildren: Ethan, Kari, Tyson, Preston and wife, Katie, Daniel and wife, Kaytlyn, and Hagan Halfacre; as well as his five great-grandchildren: Sawyer, Micah, Avey Clay, Jachin, and Eben. Arthur also leaves behind his sister, Nita Halfacre Hartness and his brother, Jimmy (Gina) Halfacre; in addition to many loving nieces, nephews, other family members, and friends. Arthur was preceded in death by his parents; his sister, Clytee Halfacre Clark; an infant brother, Johnny Halfacre; and his daughter-in-law, Deborah Johns Halfacre.

Serving as pallbearers are Ethan Halfacre, Tyson Halfacre, Daniel Halfacre, Hagan Halfacre, Jody Blumenfield, and John DePriest. Memorials in honor of

Arthur may be given to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital online at [stjude.org/donate](http://stjude.org/donate).

Services are under the direction of Nowell Massey Funeral Home, 724 North Columbus Avenue, Louisville, MS. Memories and condolences may be shared with the family by signing the guest register at [www.nowellmasseyfuneralhome.com](http://www.nowellmasseyfuneralhome.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 27. 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM (CT)

Massey Funeral Home  
724 N. Columbus Avenue  
Louisville, MS 39339  
(662) 773-3501  
nowellfuneral@bellsouth.net  
<https://www.masseyfuneralhome.net/>

## Service

DEC 27. 2:00 PM (CT)

First Apostolic Church  
115 E. John C. Stennis Drive  
Louisville, MS 39339

## Interment

DEC 27 (CT)

Murphy Creek Baptist Church Cemetery  
5379 Bond Road  
Louisville, MS 39339

# Tribute Wall



“ *Arthur Halfacre*

January 29, 2023 at 06:32 AM



“ *Mr. Arthur was a sweet, dear Christian man, and my family loved him dearly. My mother worked with him for many, many years at Taylor, and he and Mrs. Mavis were always so good to my family. Our sympathy is extended to the family during this time... Mike & Kathy Rogers, Brock W Rogers and Rainey Rogers Coffman & Cory Coffman*

**Brock Rogers** - January 11, 2023 at 01:14 PM



“ *Mr Arthur was truly one of the finest gentlemen I have ever known. The good, well liked sons he and Ms Mavis raised are a testament to that. Enjoy His kingdom, buddy. I'll see you later.*

**Kacey Sloan** - December 27, 2022 at 11:33 AM



“ *I remember playing Football in Uncle Arthur and Aunt Mavis front yard and the laughter and good times. Although my siblings and I although not blood related were always treated like such and certainly feel like we are. What great memories and what a blessing Uncle Arthur was and forever will be.*

**Anthony DePriest** - December 26, 2022 at 06:37 PM

CD

*I've known Mr Arthur since I was a teenager 50+ years. He has always been rock solid and never changed his attitude during any circumstance. He was a great example for anyone to follow. He lived the Christian lifestyle. He walked the walk. Always loved him and his family. RIP Mr Arthur we'll meet again. Keith DePriest*

**Charles Keith DePriest** - December 26, 2022 at 09:42 PM

GD

“*Arthur Halfacre, a very good looking man who had class, dignity, and character. Arthur treated us DePriest boys as if we were family. Arthur always looked like he stepped out of an Orvis Magazine. It didn't matter if we were in Mashulaville hunting, at Boone working cattle, or hanging around the house, he had that smile and easy going manner that had a way of drawing you in. Michael, Paul, and Mavis, we love you all and you are in our prayers. May the Peace of the Holy Spirit rest upon each of you through this time. - Greg DePriest*

**Gregory L DePriest** - December 26, 2022 at 04:22 PM



“*I met “Uncle” Arthur in 1972 when my mother moved us to Mississippi, as an eleven year old boy that had just lost his father. He treated me and my brothers like his own, and was a great mentor for us at a time when we needed it most. His upbeat, always smiling, and positive attitude was an inspiration to me personally. One of our company mottos is, “See the Good”. That was Arthur Halfacre.*

*I pray that the Holy Spirit will be the Comforter to Mavis, Paul, and Michael, as well as the extended family during this season, and that the Prince of Peace will bring His peace.*

*- Kent DePriest*

**Donna DePriest** - December 26, 2022 at 09:43 AM

DT

*“ I was so sorry to hear of his passing. My heart and prayers go out to you. He was such a nice man.*



**Debra & Boyd Thrasher** - December 24, 2022 at 12:05 PM



*“ White Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Arthur Halfacre.*



December 23, 2022 at 04:51 PM

PH

*“ Daddy, every time I handed you a 9/16 wrench you were teaching me to be patient, to always do my best, and to never throw anything good away, we just might need it. We will take expert care of Mother and tell my Deborah I will be on as soon as God is finished with me here. Love Always, Paul.*

**Paul Halfacre** - December 23, 2022 at 03:41 PM

DH

*Sending prayers!!! So very sorry for y'all's loss.*

**Debbie Howard** - December 23, 2022 at 05:19 PM

MS

*I am praying for your family.*

**Mary Shaw** - December 23, 2022 at 11:23 PM

JH

*I could not have asked for a better brother. You were always there. The way you lived life stands as an example for so many of us. RIP I love you!*  
*Jimmy*

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**Jimmy Halfacre** - December 24, 2022 at 05:28 AM

MP

*Such a great man gone to his heavenly home. Prayers for peace and comfort*

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**Mike Perkins** - December 24, 2022 at 07:51 AM

ZW

*I have happy memories of him beginning from childhood. Proud to be his cousin. Rest In Peace.*

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**Zee Williams** - December 24, 2022 at 08:46 AM

TR

*Arthur was always a great example, in my life of a GOOD man! He was comparable to the "mighty tree" in their back yard. May God's peace comfort you all. Our love and prayers. Tim and Tracy*

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**Tim REED** - December 24, 2022 at 11:29 AM