



George Lamar Hailey

August 20, 1928 - February 20, 2014

Coach George Lamar Hailey, 85, passed away surrounded by his loving family on Thursday, February 20, 2014, at his residence in Louisville, Mississippi. Visitation will be at Nowell-Massey Funeral Home in Louisville on Friday, February 21, 2014, from 5 p.m. until 8 p.m. Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, February 22, 2014, in Nowell-Massey Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Creighton White and Rev. Ben Hailey officiating. Interment will follow in the Hailey Richey Cemetery.

Coach Hailey was born August 20, 1928, to Jemmie Chancellor and Chester Hailey. He was a member of Coy Methodist Church. Coach Hailey finished high school at Prince Chapel in Kemper County in 1949. He served in the U. S. Army twice. After finishing high school he enrolled in E. M. C. C. at Scooba, Mississippi. He went to the University of Southern Mississippi and received his Bachelor's degree. Later he received his Master's degree at Mississippi State University. He coached basketball for 29 years. He coached at Burn's, Lambert, Bruce, Calloway, Philadelphia, Burnsville and Edinburg. He was the high school principal at Burnsville for two years. His crowning achievement was winning the State Basketball tournament in 1962 at Lambert. He was elected into the Coaches Hall of Fame in 1987 and into the Coaches Hall of Fame at E. M. C. C. in 2008. He had a record of 867 wins and 17 losses when he retired. After retiring he moved back to his farm in Winston County where he enjoyed farming, camping, hunting and fishing. He enjoyed working with

his cattle.

He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Ceceile Bostick Hailey; his son, Marc Hailey, of Louisville, Mississippi and his grandson, Rev. Ben Hailey and wife Beth, of College Station, Texas. Coach Hailey is also survived by his great-grandson, Nathan Hailey and his great-granddaughter, Hannah Hailey both of College Station, Texas. He leaves behind one sister Jerry Dees, of Sebring, Florida. He was preceded in death by his parents; sons, Mike and Terry Hailey; sisters, Hazel, Francis, Rachel, Sybil and Aldean; and brothers, Chancellor, Boleyn and Duane Hailey.

Serving as pallbearers are Gerald Parson, Clifford Cobb, Lamar Hailey, Wade Hailey, Cecil Williams and Frankie Daniel. Honorary pallbearers are former basketball players.

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.

Cemetery Details

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Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **21**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Massey Funeral Home
724 N. Columbus Avenue
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Service

FEB **22**. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *George Lamar Hailey*

January 29, 2023 at 06:32 AM



“ *Marc, you and your mother are in my thoughts and prayers!*

Laura Chatham Purser - February 26, 2014 at 09:36 AM



“ *Marc, I will be thinking about you and your family. I hope to get out that way to see you soon. Praying for you today. Donna Luke*

Donna Luke Pierce - February 22, 2014 at 09:27 AM



“ *Our prayers are with you Ben and your family in the loss of your grandfather. May the Lord give you strength and peace.*

Kent and Debbie Moore - February 21, 2014 at 04:59 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of George Lamar Hailey.*



February 21, 2014 at 04:23 PM

VM

“ So very sorry for you loss! There are so many great memories of Coach Hailey and your family when he coached and taught at Edinburg High School. Vicky Moody

Vicky Moody - February 21, 2014 at 04:17 PM

SY

“ Thanks Coach for a ton of good memories in the early 70's at Philly High--we had lots of good times too! Love to all the family in and thru this time of loss! Stan Yates

Stan Yates - February 21, 2014 at 03:49 PM

KE

This is sad news Rev Hailey. I pray the Lord comforts you in this loss. What better comfort do we find than upon the thought that we will meet our loved ones in eternity.

kennedy - February 21, 2014 at 06:26 PM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of George Lamar Hailey.



February 21, 2014 at 09:05 AM