



## Giles Thomas Peterson

July 9, 1936 - February 14, 2024

Giles Thomas Peterson, 87, passed away Wednesday, February 14, 2024, at Winston Medical Center Nursing Home in Louisville, Mississippi. Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Saturday, February 17, in the Nowell-Massey Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Dr. Stacey Parvin officiating. Visitation will be the day of the service from 12:30 p.m. until service time at Nowell-Massey Funeral Home. Interment will immediately follow the service in Liberty Universalist Church Cemetery.

Giles was born in Winston County, Mississippi, on July 9, 1936, to Mike and Frances Metz Peterson. He was a member of Liberty Universalist Church and he was a Mason. Giles was a talented musician; he enjoyed playing the guitar and singing. He especially enjoyed bluegrass music and he was instrumental in introducing his grandson to music and playing instruments as well. Giles enjoyed his horses as well as sitting on the front porch of Peterson's Store with Chris Beasley visiting with those who stopped by. In his early years, he was a photographer for the Jackson Daily News. Later, he established his logging business. Giles liked to follow his nephews as they played team sports and he was known to be able to fix anything. He answered the call of his country by serving in the United States Army.

Giles is survived by his loving wife of more than 60 years, Patti Dawkins Peterson; his son, Thomas Peterson, both of Louisville; and his daughter,

Dawn Peterson Reynolds, of Starkville, Mississippi. One of his greatest joys was being “Granddaddy” to his grandson, Matthew (Emily) Reynolds. He also leaves behind his brother, Michael (Gina) Peterson; and his sister, Nancy Haggard; in addition to his loving nieces, nephews, other family members, and friends. Giles was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Frank Peterson; and his daughter-in-law, Melanie Peterson.

Serving as pallbearers are Joe Buck Peterson, Pat Peterson, Peter Peterson, Ronnie Flake, Randy Rives, and Tommy D. Rives. Honorary pallbearers are James Edmond, Chris Beasley, and Wayne Miller. Memorials in honor of Giles may be given to Liberty Universalist Church or to St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital online at [stjude.org](http://stjude.org).

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).

# Cemetery Details

## Liberty Universalist Church Cemetery

275 Liberty Church Road  
Louisville, MS 39339

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 17. 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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

## Service

FEB 17. 2:00 PM (CT)

Nowell-Massey Funeral Home Chapel  
724 N Columbus Ave  
Louisville, MS 39339  
nowellfuneral@bellsouth.net  
<http://www.nowellmasseyfuneralhome.com>

## Interment

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FEB 17 (CT)

Liberty Universalist Church Cemetery  
275 Liberty Church Road  
Louisville, MS 39339

# Tribute Wall

MH

“ *Sincere sympathy,  
Mozell Hull*

Mozell Hull - February 24, 2024 at 11:57 AM

MT

“ *Giles was a good man and a great inspiration for me. Im very glad that I got to know him. Peace and prayers for you all.*

mark tribble - February 19, 2024 at 07:02 PM

LF

“ *Linda Foshee lit a candle in memory of Giles  
Thomas Peterson*



Linda Foshee - February 17, 2024 at 09:19 PM

SC

“ *Patti, Tommy and Dawn iam so sorry for your  
lose and know I'm thinking about yall. Much  
love  
Sta y Crowell*



Stacy Crowell - February 17, 2024 at 01:50 AM



“ Patti, So sorry to read that Giles had passed. My thoughts and prayers are with you and the family.



Catherine Prisock Ingram - February 17, 2024 at 01:47 AM



“ Love and prayers for his precious family. So sorry for your loss. 🙏💕💕💕

Nadine Estrs - February 16, 2024 at 10:02 AM



Patti, Tommy, and Dawn My prayers are with yall iam so sorry for your loss. Love you all Stacy Crowell

Stacy Crowell - February 17, 2024 at 01:47 AM



“ Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Yellow and White was purchased for the family of Giles Thomas Peterson.



February 16, 2024 at 10:01 AM



“ Gin Fancher lit a candle in memory of Giles Thomas Peterson



Gin Fancher - February 16, 2024 at 09:26 AM