



Floyd Eugene Hopkins

February 2, 1932 - January 26, 2017

Floyd Eugene Hopkins, age 84, of Albia, passed away on Thursday, January 26, 2017, at the Monroe Care Center in Albia.

Floyd was born in Independence, Iowa on February 20, 1932 to Beryl and Mildred (Albert) Hopkins, the oldest of 8 children. He graduated from Rowley High School in 1950. He served in the United States Navy from 1953-1956. After his service to his country, he attended Gates Business College in Waterloo where he met Norma Dawson. They were united in marriage on August 31, 1958. To this union four children were born, Paul, Lori, Scott, and Leigh Ann. Together Floyd and Norma shared 58 years of marriage.

Floyd worked at John Deere Product Engineering Center in Waterloo, Iowa and retired in 1985. Floyd was an active member at Grace United Methodist Church in Waterloo, Iowa. He taught Sunday School and was involved with Men's Club. He went on several mission project trips and enjoyed attending an adult Sunday School class for many years. Many life-long friendships were formed there. After Grace Church closed he attended Kimball Ave. UMC in Waterloo. In 2013 they moved to Albia and attended Trinity United Methodist Church. Floyd enjoyed playing golf, bowling, and pitching horseshoes. He was very proud of his family and The Grout Museum in Waterloo presented the Hopkins family with the Sullivan Award for military family of the year in 2011. Seven of the eight Hopkins children served in the military as well as two

brothers-in-law and two nephews.

Floyd is survived by his wife, Norma Hopkins of Albia; their children, Paul (Andrea) Hopkins of Savage, MN, Lori (Dave) Yarkosky of Albia, Scott (Becky) Hopkins of Centennial, CO, and Leigh Ann Schwartz of Fort Collins, CO; their grandchildren, Grant Hopkins of Savage, MN, Joe (Stacy) Yarkosky of Spencer, Drew (Meg) Yarkosky of Kearny, MO, Kyli Hopkins of CO, and Bryce Schwartz and Caitie (Nick) Stroh of CO and two great grandsons, Dawson and Edison Yarkosky of Spencer. Floyd is also survived by his brothers Delbert (Sharon) Hopkins of AZ, and Bill (Bunny) Hopkins of Cedar Rapids; two sisters, Louise (Joe) Yoder of Waterloo and Susan (Andy) Bacon of Columbia, IL; one sister-in-law, Annie Hopkins of Brandon, IA; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a grandson, Karter Hopkins; three brothers, Charles, Bruce and Cyrus Hopkins and a sister-in-law, Bonnie Hopkins.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, January 31, 2017 at the Kimball Avenue United Methodist Church in Waterloo, Iowa with Reverend Karen Larson officiating and with Military rites provided by the Waterloo American Legion Post #138 and VFW Post #1623. Burial will follow at the Rowley Cemetery in Rowley, Iowa.

Visitation will be held from 2:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m. Sunday, January 29, 2017 at the Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with Floyd's family present throughout. A visitation will also be held on Tuesday, January 31, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. until the time of service at 11:00 a.m. at the Kimball Avenue United Methodist Church in Waterloo, Iowa.

An open memorial has been established in Floyd's name to be determined at

a later date.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **29**. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Tharp Funeral Home
116 Benton Ave.
Albia, IA 52531
(641) 932-3129
<https://www.tharpfh.com/>

Visitation

JAN **31**. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Kimball Avenue United Methodist Church
1207 Kimball Ave
Waterloo, IA 50702

Funeral Service

JAN **31**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Kimball Avenue United Methodist Church
1207 Kimball Ave
Waterloo, IA 50702

Tribute Wall



“ *Floyd Eugene Hopkins*

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



“ *Floyd Eugene Hopkins*

January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



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Coskun Duman - October 27, 2020 at 06:24 AM



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Coskun Duman - October 27, 2020 at 06:20 AM

CB

“ We are So sorry for your loss. We learned about Floyd passing late and were unable to attend services.

I am understanding that Jim Ballalatak's mother Juanita Was born a Chamberlain, she and her brothers Roy and Guy Chamberlain and were all related to Floyd thru this family line. Cousins. We used to attend the Chamberlain family reunion when it was held at Lovilia community bldg. so sorry we have lost touch. We live in Albia, ia.



cousins jim & deb ballalatak - January 31, 2017 at 09:01 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Floyd Eugene Hopkins.



January 30, 2017 at 05:50 PM

WS

“ With sympathy - Berkley Life Sciences purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Floyd Eugene Hopkins.



With sympathy - Berkley Life Sciences - January 30, 2017 at 10:34 AM



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Floyd Eugene Hopkins.*



January 29, 2017 at 11:22 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Floyd Eugene Hopkins.*



January 29, 2017 at 01:39 PM



“ *The Marcotte's purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Floyd Eugene Hopkins.*



The Marcotte's - January 28, 2017 at 10:20 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the Hopkins family during this sad and difficult time. As we know from 2 Corinthians 5:8, for Christians, "to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord." We know that Floyd is with our Heavenly Father but his earthly presence will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him here. I am sharing your sorrow....Vickie Trent <3*

Vickie Trent - January 28, 2017 at 12:02 AM

SB

“ As our "big brother", you lovingly watched over us as we grew up. Now you eternally watch over us from heaven. Until we meet again, dear brother. Love you always, your youngest sister Susie

Susan Bacon - January 27, 2017 at 10:08 PM

KE

“ Floyd was such a great man. I have missed both of you. The Lord has welcomed home another great guy. With all my prayers for peace and strength.
Hugs, Kim Tragord Eighme

kim eighme - January 27, 2017 at 08:17 PM

MT

“ Floyd was an inspiration to so many. He'd had so many close calls during his life and yet some how was able to smile through them all. Our hearts go out to Norma and the entire Hopkin's family as travels on to that big golf course in the sky. Our love and sympathy. Clifford and Marcie Trent.

Marcie Trent - January 27, 2017 at 03:40 PM



“ It always makes me laugh to remember how frustrated Floyd would get with me on the golf course. We would be playing and I would ask him "Floyd what club should I use, or how far out am I" - he would get frustrated and say "Damn Michael, the distance marker is right in front of you - can you not figure it out" - he then would laugh at and with me! I also remember his amazement that Scott never pulled his driver out of his bag
God Bless

Michael Marcotte - January 27, 2017 at 02:40 PM

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Scott Hopkins - January 27, 2017 at 01:28 PM

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Scott Hopkins - January 27, 2017 at 01:22 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet* was purchased for the family of *Floyd Eugene Hopkins*.



January 27, 2017 at 01:01 PM

DJ

“ *I will miss his smile and the fact he would have taught me some golf moves, It was an honor to care for him! Deb Jones RN*

Debra Jones - January 27, 2017 at 05:08 AM