



Cecil Hatcher

December 22, 2020

Cecil Hatcher, age 92, of Knoxville, passed away at home on Thursday, December 22, 2020. He was a member of Meridian Baptist Church. He graduated from Knoxville High School in 1946, and went on to attend the University of Tennessee. In 1950, at the start of the Korean War, he entered the U.S. Army. After returning from overseas, he began working for the Knoxville News-Sentinel in the advertising department. He then moved to Washington D.C., where he worked for the Washington Post as a printer linotype operator. Returning to Knoxville, he worked again at the News-Sentinel in composing. He met Patsy Mullins, who was a college student at the time, and they married later that year. He retired from the News-Sentinel after forty years of service and later worked for Kroger Corporation. He worked for many years with the James Pritchett charity S.A.V.E.; delivering food, clothing, school supplies, and Christmas and Easter baskets to Appalachian counties. Preceded in death by wife, Patsy Jo Hatcher; parents, LM and Katy Hatcher; brothers and sisters-in-law, Troy and Lucy Hatcher, and Carl and Evelyn Hatcher. He is survived by daughter and son-in-law, Cathy Hickerson Bennett and Doug Bennett; grandson, Charlie Hickerson; nephews, Dr. Tim Hatcher and David Hatcher (Lori); and his faithful dog, Millie. Due to current health concerns a private burial service will held at East Tennessee Veterans Cemetery, and a memorial service will be scheduled at a later date. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project. Online obituary may be viewed and condolences extended at www.rosemortuary.com.

Comments



“ We extend our deepest sympathies in your loss. Cecil was a pleasure. Enjoyed walking with him. He was very informative. May the Lord sustain you

Sincerely
David and Laira Brake

Laura Brake - December 27, 2020 at 09:52 PM



“ thoughts, prayers and sympathy-

Beth Connatser - December 24, 2020 at 02:29 PM



“ Dear Cathy, Doug and Charlie, I couldn't have handpicked a brother-in-law any better than Cecil. All the years that he was "family" to us, I never had a harsh word from him. He was morally a good man, who had compassion for others and did his part to make their lives better. We can rest in the fact that he is no longer suffering and is at peace in his heavenly home. We love you so much, Aunt Nell & Uncle Charles.

Nelli M. Walker - December 24, 2020 at 11:07 AM



“ My sincerest sympathies to each of Cecil's family members. He was a very kind man.

Sue Walker Lawson - December 24, 2020 at 01:16 PM



“ My family lived next to the Hatcher family on Tulip Avenue. I remember Cecil and Troy well. Cecil was a quiet and polite person. It is sad to learn that a neighbor from six decades ago has died. May his family be comforted during this life transition.

Albert King - December 27, 2020 at 07:54 AM