

## *Acknowledgement*

*The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern, and kindness you have shown our family during this time of illness and bereavement. Your personal visits, telephone calls, messages, gifts, food, flowers, and especially your fervent prayers are deeply appreciated. Special thanks to the nurses and staff at DaVita Ozark Dialysis and "Dr. O" (Dr. Olawale Osunsanya, MD). The love and thoughtfulness you've shown will never be forgotten. May the blessings of the Lord be upon you, and may He favor you with the richness of His grace.*



*Newman* Mortuary



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# *Homegoing Celebration of Deacon Larry Harold Harper*



Sunrise  
October 30, 1948

Sunset  
August 16, 2020

**Saturday, August 22, 2020  
11:00a.m.**

**Union Grove Baptist Graveside  
Reverend Noah Reeves - Officiating**

## Obituary

**D**ec. Larry Harold Harper was a welcome blessing to Mr. Edgar Daniel Harper (Deceased) and Mrs. Mae Lue Gissendanner Harper on October 30, 1948 as their first son weighing in at 13.12 pounds in Klondyke. He was delivered by midwives Mrs. Dora Newman and Mrs. Henrietta Roberts. He was crawling at five months old and at seven months he walked out the front door and nailed the porch step boards back down. By the time he was a year old he was putting up fences for the cows, hogs, chickens and our mule Ike. He enjoyed building things and had his own construction company many years later. He built homes from Eufaula to Enterprise and all in between. He is survived by his loving wife of 49 years Mrs. Jacqueline Regina Griffin Harper, His son, Mr. Larry Kevin Harper (Kevin's Fiance, Ms. Nicole Theresa Martin) His mother Mrs. Mae Lue Gissendanner Harper. One sister in law, Ms. Jo Ellis Chambers, two sisters, Mrs. Gloria Faye Lewis (Herman E. Lewis) Whiteville, NC. and Ms. Bobbie C. Harper Randolph of Columbus, Ga. One brother, Mr. Rufus Daniel Harper (Mary Emma Harper) of Ozark, Al. Nine nieces and nephews. Ms. Cheryl Denise Hendricks, Mr. Bernard Delano Hendricks, Mrs. Barbara Deloris Hall, Mr. Rufus D. Harper Jr., Mr. Brennan Daniel Harper, Mrs. Veronica Lynne Bland, Mr. Daminon Curtis Lewis, Mrs. Felicia Michelle Rayford and Dr. Christopher Daniel Stewart. He has two aunts Mrs. Brenda J. Harper and Mrs. Mollie Brinson, both of Ozark, Alabama.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Mrs. Sherry Ann Hendricks and his father Mr. Edgar D. Harper. He has a host of great nieces and nephews, cousins and friends. Larry Harold will be laid to rest Saturday, August 22, 2020 in Union Grove Baptist cemetery @ 11:00 am.

## Where I Have Walked by Abigail Roberts Jones

I walked out of an unpainted, four-room shack. Gaily-colored pictures barely hid pine knots on the walls. Whitened scrubbed floors creaked beneath my weight; I looked back in humility.

I walked out from the reddened sun-baked fields of harvest, Past the aging tired beast. At the brook with a hollowed-out gourd -- poured a drink of Water -- no longer thirsty.

I walked along the rutted path of the countryside; Giant oaks shaded the way. Green lizards scampered through the shadows Where sand crystals yielded as I trod.

I walked beside the foaming brook, It noticed me not. The wildlife sharing it peacefully; My feet cooled quickly as I dipped.

I walked beneath the droplets of June rain -- Paces slowed by the downpour. Soaking my remnants thoroughly, Hands outstretched to feel the pounding rhythm as I walked.

I walked with God just this morning, As the sun blazed upon my brow, perspiration blinding. No voices! No laughter! Shrills free from the city's Streets.

I walked at peace -- with God.

