



Chesley Holeman Key

March 17, 1924 - July 5, 2015

Chesley Holeman Key, age 91, of Henderson, KY, passed away at 9:33 AM, Sunday, July 5, 2015, at Methodist Hospital in Henderson.

Chesley was born in 1924 five years before the Great Depression in Webster County, KY. His father was a truck gardener and his mother was a homemaker. He left school at an early age to go to work to help the family. Chesley started out working with his father. He picked berries and would sell them for 10 cents a gallon to buy sugar for his mom to fix him a blackberry cobbler. He joined the Civilian Conservation Corps and drove the staff car for the inspector general. His whole life was about farming and at one time he was the 3rd largest farmer in Hopkins County. He farmed until 1959; he then sold his farm and moved to Henderson. He started working in Evansville building LST's, worked for Bentley's Lumber Company, and then started working for himself as a general contractor. He was a member of the Jerusalem Lodge #9. He married the love of his life Lee Ann Buckman on April 7, 1973. Chesley loved gardening, hunting and fishing. He was a great story teller. Most of all he was an all-around good person.

He was preceded in death by his parents, William and Martha Ader Key, 4 brothers, Robert Lee Key, Elmer Key, Fred Key and Coleman Key, 1 granddaughter, Shawna Kay Coney.

Survivors include:

Wife of 42 years: Lee Ann "Momma" Key Henderson, KY

1 Daughter: Michelle Bland Henderson, KY

1 Sister: Allie Mae Amhrein Myrtle Beach, SC

Granddaughter: Katie Bland and fiancé Cory Duncan

Relatives and friends are invited to Chesley's Life Celebration from 2:00- 8:00 PM on Wednesday and again on Thursday starting at 9:00 Am until the service time at Benton-Glunt Funeral Home. The funeral service will be held at 11:00 AM on Thursday, July 9, 2015 at the funeral home with Brother Tony Payne officiating. Burial will follow at Old Cedar Grove Cemetery in Webster County, KY.

A Masonic Service will be held at 6:30 PM on Wednesday.

Arrangements entrusted to Benton-Glunt Funeral Home, online condolences may be made at www.bentonglunt.com .

Cemetery Details

Old Cedar Grove Cemetery

Previous Events

Life Celebration

JUL 8. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Benton-Glunt & Tapp Funeral Home
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2:00 P.M. Tuesday May 8, 2018 Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Benton-Glunt & Tapp Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Chesley Holeman Key*



Benton-Glunt Funeral Home - July 08, 2015 at 03:38 PM



“ *Chesley Holeman Key*

November 29, 2022 at 08:01 AM



“ *Nikki W. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Chesley Holeman Key .*



Nikki W. - July 07, 2015 at 11:02 AM