



Elmer Eugene Carathers

January 17, 1936 - March 9, 2021

Elmer Eugene Carathers was born on January 17, 1936, in Floydada, Texas, and passed away on March 9, 2021, at his home in Centerville, Tennessee. He was 85 years old.

He is the son of the late Elmer D. Carathers and Mildred Waldeen McPeak Carathers.

He was also preceded in death by his sister Frances Lewis.

He is survived by his wife of 38 years Ruth Ann Rochelle Carathers of Centerville. Sons James Dean Carathers (Debbie) of Smyrna, John Thomas Carathers (Kathie) of Bumpus Mills, Tennessee, and Robert Lee Carathers (Sarah) of Spring Hill, Tennessee. Daughter Mary Ann Monday (Larry) of Nunnely, Tennessee. Step-Daughters Tina Lynn DeVore (Russell) of Fairview, and Tracey Rochelle Outman (Matthew) of Old Hickory. Step-son Christopher Neil Martin of Lyles. Grandchildren Ashley, JaDee, Johnny, James, Natasha, Phillip, Brittney, Dalton, Emily, Lynette, Katie, Claire, Kendall, Sorrell, Madelyn, and Alyssa. Great Grandchildren Lila, Brody, Lucy, Wyatt, Ethan, Alice, Luke, Taylor, Danielle, and Beau. Several nieces and nephews. Along with many other relatives, friends, and loved ones.

Mr. Carathers worked for 38 years for the Ford Glass Plant as a Millwright and

a maintenance supervisor.

He was a member of the Fairfield Church of Christ. He was also a Mason and a Shriner. He has been a member of the John B. Garrett Lodge 711 in Nashville, Tennessee. He was a member of the Shriner Horse Patrol.

He was a proud patriot and served in the National Guard.

He loved to hunt deer. He loved collecting many things including guns, knives, Confederate Civil War memorabilia, and guitars. He was very creative and made over 50 guitars, many knives, and custom saddles. He also customized several of his guns in his collection, which also included a number of original antiques. Mr. Carathers was also a musician, he was offered a 4 years scholarship to play trombone at Belmont University. He then later took up playing and picking guitar, which naturally led to making his own. When he saw something that he wanted he would come home and set out to make it himself.

He was a loving husband, father, and grandfather and will be missed by all of those who knew and loved him.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Shriners Hospital.

Cemetery Details

Lowes Bend Cemetery

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 11. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

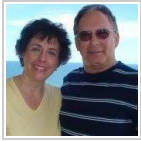
McDonald Funeral Home, Inc. - Hickman County
102 West End Ave.
Centerville, TN 37033
(931) 729-3561

Funeral Service

MAR 12. 1:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Ray Ragsdale lit a candle in memory of Elmer Eugene Carathers*



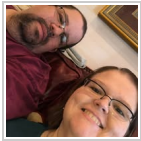
Ray Ragsdale - March 14, 2021 at 07:52 PM

MM

“ *Margaret & Norman Martin lit a candle in memory of Elmer Eugene Carathers*



Margaret & Norman Martin - March 12, 2021 at 07:51 PM



“ *Ruth Ann, We are so sorry to hear of your husband's passing. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Charles Overbey and Karen Overbey Taylor

Karen Overbey-Taylor - March 12, 2021 at 12:29 PM

RJ

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Robert W Jones - March 12, 2021 at 10:19 AM

RJ

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Robert W Jones - March 12, 2021 at 10:16 AM

RJ

“ Eugene and I were cousins and the Carathers, McPeaks and Jones families shared many good times and memories. He was an amazing talent.

Bob Jones

Robert W Jones - March 12, 2021 at 09:23 AM

NA

“ Nina Adamson lit a candle in memory of Elmer Eugene Carathers



Nina Adamson - March 12, 2021 at 08:48 AM

LD

“ Miss Ruth Ann you are in my thoughts and prayers may God place his loving arms around you and the family for comfort and strength

Lou Dickens - March 11, 2021 at 07:31 PM

GB

“ Gary And Cindy Bailey lit a candle in memory of Elmer Eugene Carathers



Gary and Cindy Bailey - March 11, 2021 at 05:41 PM

JM

“ Joyce Mayberry lit a candle in memory of Elmer Eugene Carathers



Joyce Mayberry - March 11, 2021 at 10:12 AM

JE

“ Ruth Ann and Family,
You have been, and continue to be, in our thoughts and prayers.
May God bless and keep you all and give you peace and comfort.
Chug and Johnnie Ruth Elrod

Johnnie Elrod - March 11, 2021 at 09:01 AM

RL

“ sorry to hear about Gene... he was a very talented man.. enjoyed the guitar he made for me... God Bless Ruth Ann and family....

Ronald and Jennifer Lynn

Ronald and Jennifer Lynn - March 11, 2021 at 08:36 AM

VB

“ Vicky Beagle sent a virtual gift in memory of Elmer Eugene Carathers



Vicky Beagle - March 11, 2021 at 08:16 AM

BB

“ Ruth Ann, I'm so sorry for your loss 🙏

Bobbie Baird - March 11, 2021 at 07:42 AM

RM

“ Roy - Sharon McCoy lit a candle in memory of Elmer Eugene Carathers



Roy - Sharon McCoy - March 10, 2021 at 08:14 PM

JC

Gene was a wonderfully talented person with a great sense of humor. He will be missed. Love you both

John and Brenda Van Cleve - March 11, 2021 at 10:34 PM

RB

“ Randall-Sandra Barber lit a candle in memory of Elmer Eugene Carathers



Randall-Sandra Barber - March 10, 2021 at 06:45 PM

WB

“ *William And Martha Butler lit a candle in
memory of Elmer Eugene Carathers*



William and Martha Butler - March 10, 2021 at 05:56 PM