



William Eugene Grinder

August 10, 1936 - September 22, 2014

Obituary For: William Eugene Grinder

Residence: Hohenwald, TN

Age: 78

Date of birth: August 10, 1936

Birthplace: Perry Co. TN

Died: Monday, September 22, 2014

Location: Maury Regional Medical Center

Father: William Zellenor Grinder

Mother: Thelma Tennessee (Tharpe) Grinder

Marital Status: Married

Employment: Teacher/Coach

Deceased has resided in: Hohenwald

The funeral will be held at: Blondy Church of God Wednesday, September 24, 2014 at 2:00 PM

The officiating clergy: Jeff Gandy and Bill Webb

Burial will take place: Wednesday, September 24, 2014 in the Warren Cemetery

Located at: Linden, Tennessee

Visitation will be: Tuesday, September 23, 2014 , 4:00 PM at Blondy Church of God

Additional Information: U. S. Army veteran; Coach & Teacher for 36 years; member of Blondy Church of God 30 years; Memorial Park Director 53 years.

Survivors Include:

Linda Wills Grinder, Wife - Hohenwald, TN

Cindy Bailey (Mickey), Daughter - Hohenwald, TN

Brandon Scott, Grandson - Nashville, TN

Diksie Scott, Granddaughter - Lewisburg, TN

Preceded in Death by:

William Zellenor Grinder, Father

Thelma Tennessee Tharpe Grinder, Mother

Loudean Tucker, Sister

Arrangements by:

McDonald Funeral Home, Inc

20 West Second Ave.

Hohenwald TN 38462

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Tribute Wall



“ Coach Grinder was one of the best mentors anyone could ever hope to have. I don't believe anyone in Hohenwald could have possibly touched more young people's lives in a positive manner than he did. He gave me my first job as a scorekeeper/umpire when I was 13 years old and I was also fortunate enough to play basketball for him for 4 years in high school. Through my early trials and spectacular lapse's in judgement in my twenties to my thirties and forties when I finally settled down, grew up, and raised my son, Coach Grinder never judged me and never gave up on me even when I'd given up on myself. I don't claim to have insight into what makes a great man but if it has anything to do with character, integrity, honesty, empathy, devoutness, humility, and wisdom then Coach Grinder was a great man in my book. Thank you for the example you set for me and all the other players, students, and citizens of Hohenwald you touched in a positive way throughout the years. Rest in peace, Coach, we all loved you.

Chris Sheets - February 25, 2016 at 09:35 PM

JB

“ I have respected Coach all my life, even though I played for an opposing team. That is the sign of a real role model and gentleman of true integrity. I send my condolences to his family, and pray that he rest in peace. He was very special to several generations of kids.

Janet Blackwell, MD

Janet Blackwell - September 30, 2014 at 04:02 PM

SQ

“ *A life well lived with such integrity!*”



Sherry Quillen - September 24, 2014 at 12:26 PM



“ *What a tribute to have known Coach Grinder!*”



Laura Tatum - September 24, 2014 at 07:55 AM


Darlene
Wix

“ *Darlene Wix lit a candle in memory of William Eugene Grinder*”



Darlene Wix - September 23, 2014 at 11:23 AM


Darlene
Wix

Coach Grinder was a terrific teacher and Coach who not only affected our lives as students and players but also has affected so many lives through the generations following. Our deepest sympathies to his family!

Houston and Darlene Brackeen Wix

Darlene Wix - September 23, 2014 at 11:26 AM

SK

“ Coach Grinder touched so many lives through school and Memorial Park. It was an honor to have known him. Sherri (Cook) King

Sherri King - September 23, 2014 at 11:06 AM

JC

“ Jamie Carroll-Seagraves lit a candle in memory of William Eugene Grinder



Jamie Carroll-Seagraves - September 23, 2014 at 08:00 AM

SQ

“ What a difference you made in my life! I love you, Coach Grinder, Sherry Quillen



Sherry Quillen - September 22, 2014 at 08:07 PM

OE

“ Mr. Grinder was a friend and it was my honor to have inducted him into the Dixie Softball Hall of Fame. God bless his family.

Obie Evans - September 22, 2014 at 06:34 PM