



## Barry "PawPaw" A Blackwell

May 24, 1931 - February 13, 2017

Barry "PawPaw" A Blackwell of Tullahoma, passed away on Monday, February 13, 2017 at Tennova Healthcare – Harton at the age of 85 years. Funeral Services are scheduled for Wednesday, February 15, 2017 at 2 PM at the Daves-Culbertson Funeral Home Chapel with burial to follow at Maplewood Cemetery. Visitation with the family will be Tuesday, February 14 from 5 – 8 PM at Daves-Culbertson Funeral Home.

A native of Homer, Louisiana, he was the son of the late Wesley Carlis and Ouida Lynch Blackwell. He was a U S Air Force veteran and worked as a Computer Technician at AEDC. He was instrumental in wind tunnel and space shuttle tile testing research. He also loved building electronic equipment. He would "think it up and then build it". He liked being outdoors and enjoyed hunting, fishing and camping. He also enjoyed going to auto races.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Odessa Taylor Blackwell; one brother, Carlis Dale Blackwell; one sister, Faith Yvonne Hughes and one great grandchild, Kaylee Nicole Blackwell.

Mr. Blackwell is survived by two sons, Charles Blackwell (Connie) of Estill Springs and Jim Blackwell (Debbie) of Tullahoma; daughter, Teresa Kay Atwell (Ray) of Olla, Louisiana; brother, Joe Lynch Blackwell (Margarett) of Lake Wylie, SC; sister-in-law, Wilma Blackwell of Manchester; ten grandchildren, Justin Blackwell (Britney) of Decherd, Heather Fisher (Troy) of Troy, AL, Megan Moorehead (Rusty) of Lynchburg, Misty Pelham of Estill Springs, Duston Gipson (Hannah) of Decherd, Jessica Blackwell (Chris Hill) of

Jackson, TN, Derek Blackwell (Samantha Allen) of Tullahoma, Lisa Tinnel of Winchester, Nathan Perot (Jennifer) of Olla, Louisiana and Lethey Smith of Olla, Louisiana and 16 great grandchildren.

Online condolences may be made at [www.davesculbertsonfuneralhome.com](http://www.davesculbertsonfuneralhome.com).

Daves-Culbertson Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Maplewood Cemetery

Tullahoma, TN

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 14. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Daves-Culbertson Funeral Home  
401 N Jackson Street  
Tullahoma, TN 37388  
(931) 455-3481

## Service

FEB 15. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Barry "PawPaw" A Blackwell*

January 25, 2023 at 12:28 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Barry "PawPaw" A Blackwell.*



February 14, 2017 at 02:39 PM



“ *I worked with Barry for many years as a fellow technician. Barry was lovingly know by his friends as "Papa Smurf" because of his snow white beard. He was a Fantastic technician. Filled with knowledge and expertise. He built most of the systems of the day and his wiring technique was so neat, I considered it art. But along with all that excellence, Barry was Fun. I can never remember an instance where he was negative. Even when things were not going his way, he made it funny in his Cajun way!. We played cards at lunch break, hearts, rook and spades. He could pop a card on the table and make it snap and act like he just won the super bowl. He is a man that will be missed. Every interaction I ever had with Barry, I always walked away with a smile. Yes, Barry left a lot of Happy Tracks in this life and our memories of him will continue to leave us smiling along with a tear in our eye for a life well lived. And to me, who never knew my grandpas, at work, he was the Papa I never had.*

*Marion Pope*

Marion Pope - February 14, 2017 at 06:10 AM

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“ I spent many days hanging out with one of his grandsons watching him build and tinker with different electronics and listening to stories of his youth. He was a great man that treated me like family any time I was in his home. Rest easy ol friend you deserve eternal peace..

shelby stewart - February 13, 2017 at 10:58 PM

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“ I have fond memories of bull frog hunting at night with Barry and my first cousin in north central Louisiana during the late 1950's. Barry knew how to jump the logs in the creek with the flat bottom boat using the outboard motor so he almost always operated the boat and outboard motor. My cousin caught most of the frogs with his bare hands (bare hands were more successful than mechanical grabs and spears were not legal.) I had the hard job of holding the sack containing the frogs caught.  
Sonny Ward

Walter Ward - February 13, 2017 at 09:03 PM



“ Sweet Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Barry "PawPaw" A Blackwell.



February 13, 2017 at 08:35 PM

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“ *Such a wonderful loving and caring man and will be missed dearly. Love the conversations that we had in the past And his laughs and smiles. I know he loved his family and his family love him also.. Rest in peace Mr. Blackwell we all love you and miss you.*



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**Dennis** - February 13, 2017 at 06:31 PM