



## James Harp

April 3, 1917 - April 3, 2013

James Baudie Harp, 96, of Hoxie, Loving husband, Dad and Papaw went home to be with his Lord Wednesday, April 3, 2013 at the Walnut Ridge Nursing and Rehab.

Born September 24, 1916 in Strawberry son of William A. and Dollie Mullen Harp. He was a farmer and member of the Church of Christ.

He was united in marriage to Ruth L Roberts October 26, 1940. He was preceded in death by two sons, Noel Edward Harp and Jerry Wayne Harp, a grandson, Joe Allen Harp and a great grandson, Kellan Ray Mulanax.

Survivors include a wife, Ruth Harp of the home; two sons, James B. Harp Jr and wife Janice of Hoxie and Gary G. Harp and wife Rosetta of Newport; a brother, Kenneth Harp of Jonesboro; a sister, Helen Coleman of Jonesboro; nine grandchildren, thirteen great grandchildren and one great great grandchild.

To send flowers or a memorial gift to the family, please visit our Sympathy Store.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 6. 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Hoxie Church of Christ  
603 SW Broad St  
Hoxie, AR 72433

## Funeral Service

APR 6. 12:00 PM (CT)

Hoxie Church of Christ  
603 SW Broad St  
Hoxie, AR 72433

# Tribute Wall



“ *James Harp*

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January 29, 2023 at 08:29 AM



“ *What a precious man he was to my family. My grandparents Mid and Roxie Casteel, my mother Carma Casteel Rice and my aunt Clarice Matthews - all loved him dearly. I send my love to Aunt Ruth L and condolences to the extended family. All are in my thoughts and prayers.*

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**Nyoka Rogers - Ardmore, OK** - April 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM

“ Our family has seen its share of sadness, but today is different. Today we celebrate an extraordinary life, a life that has changed many generations and not just those in our family. Papaw was many things to us all. To our family, he was everything and always will be. Not a large man in stature, but larger than life itself. He was always filled with love and joy.

That love and joy was first and foremost demonstrated between my grandparents. We were given an example of what a true Christian love was, holding hands even at 96/94 years old, putting the needs of the other first, and calling each other sweetheart. It was very evident that our grandparents were in love as much now as they were 73 years ago, their main concern always for one another. Papaw was a living testament to his faith in God. He spent his entire life devoted to serving God first. He not only talked the talk, he walked the walk and he gave those around him the most excellent example of how to live for God. Many of us grandchildren were blessed when Papaw baptized us into Christ. I remember just a few years ago, Papaw, 92 years old, went forward to ask for strength and my Jake, just 13 years old, went to sit with his Papaw to give him strength and before we knew it, Jake was in the baptistry with his Papaw putting on Christ. Most of us could tell a similar story of how we began a Christian.

We all have great childhood memories of our Papaw. We all can remember our time in the workshop making all sorts of wooden objects, but I guess our favorite thing to make was the wooden rubber band guns. He would guide us, but let us do most of the work. It seemed he could make work fun. I never knew that loading fire wood into that old blue Chevy could so much fun. I remember camping up at the hill farm. Papaw and Mammaw took all us grandkids up to the hill farm to fish and camp. He loved having fun with us and it wasn't out of the ordinary for him to play a practical joke on us.

As we grew into adults he continued to watch over us and guide us in the right direction. He would never tell us exactly what to do, but he gave advice in way that was soft and kind. You always knew he loved you no matter what. He would tell us he loved us and he was

*proud of us. We have all laughed and cried with our Papaw. As we gather today to celebrate the amazing life of the man some called friend, all called spiritual guide, mammaw's husband and sweetheart, the boy's dad, our Papaw. He has taken a part of every one of us to Heaven with him, but he has left us with a part of him that will continue to live inside of us all. I am proud to be a Harp, and for me it all started with my Papaw. I love you, Papaw. And I promise to let all that you taught me about life, faith, and God shine through every day.*

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**Janet Harp Atkinson - Hoxie, AR - Granddaughter** - April 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM

WS

*So sorry for your loss. I'm glad you are doing well.  
From Wain Snyder, Memphis TN*

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**Wain Snyder** - December 27, 2015 at 05:40 AM

LF

“ *Baudie was a wonderful man and a strong worker for The Lord in the Church of Christ . He will be missed by all and God is lucky he has a new worker in heaven. We loved him very much. The angels are rejoicing.*

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**Larry and Mary King - Walnutt Ridge, AR - Close Friend** - April 06, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RV

“ *Baudie and Ruth lived right next door on Edgar Str to my Mother, Dovie Gipson and was more or less her caretaker until she went into the nursing home. They dont come any better people than Baudie and Ruth. God Bless all the Harp family.*

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**Ronnie Ward - Hampton, VA** - April 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ I'm sorry for you loss. I know he is rejoicing with his loved ones right now.

Kellie Pledger - Springdale, AR - Tricia's best friend - April 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ So sorry to hear of the passing of Baudie. He was such a wonderful Christian man and I know Heaven welcomed him with open arms. Sending prayers to Ruth L. and all of the family.

Joyce Fowler Drew - Marion, IL - friend - April 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Brother Harp was a great encourager to me as a young preacher working with the young people at Hoxie. I will never forget him weeping with me on the day I announced I was leaving. He was a wonderful Christian man. Ruth L and family, you are in our prayers.

God Bless,  
Joshua Dement

Joshua Dement - Pocahontas, AR - Brother in Christ - April 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ I was blessed to have many outstanding Christian role models and friends while growing up in the Hoxie-Walnut Ridge communities. Bro. Harp always gave positive encouragement and friendship with those he came in contact. Hospitable, kind, compassionate, friendly, etc., are characteristics that come to mind of this great Christian man. He has gained the "victory" as a result of running the Christian race!! May God bless and comfort his wife and family.  
Mitch Walton

Mitch Walton - Pocahontas, AR - Friend - April 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ *Brother Harp was one of the finest men that I have known. May God bless all of you, his family.*

*Ted Knight*

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**Ted & Barbara Knight - Conway,, AR - Brother in Christ** - April 05, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ *We will always remember Bro. Baudie as a faithful Christian. He will be missed by many but we know in assurance he is resting in the arms of Jesus. We just learned recently that he, Kenneth & Helen are 4th or 5th cousins to Bill. Prayers for God's strength & comfort to all family and friends.*

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**Bill & Francie Grisham Workman - Jonesboro, AR - friend & cousin** - April 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RD

“ *I set here thinking what to say, and a lot comes to mind..First and foremost is Christian, I think he is the best christian I have ever seen in my life. God knew what he was doing when he put him in my life. He took my Dad home in 1990 and left me with Baudie for all the rest of these years, I have been blessed . I pray for ma-maw and Gary and Jr. and to be with you again... I Love you Pa-pa Baudie*

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**Rosetta Harp - newport, AR - Daughter-in-law** - April 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM