



Mr. Harvey Watson

December 12, 1946 - June 29, 2024

A good man CHOOSES to do what is right. He places his faith in the Lord and puts his family first. A good man changes the community around him by his example. A good man shapes the lives of his children with the strength of his love.

Harvey Watson, a straightforward and non materialistic man left this world, to go home, surrounded with love by his great-granddaughter, his sons and his wife on June 29, 2024. On this day, there was a rainbow. (see pictures) An only child, born to the late Fannie Watson, on December 12, 1946, in Washington, DC. His Father, the one and only, Jesus Christ. Harvey was reared by his maternal grandparents Richard and Maggie as their own son, who taught him how to work hard, like carrying 100lb sacks of feed in each hand and walking behind a mule. Natural born strength.

Harvey was a graduate of Southside High. He began working at the Department of Transportation on October 11, 1965 at \$1.20 hour. Harvey walked for nine months, about 10 miles , one way, which was no hard feat after walking behind a mule. After adversity and blessings, Harvey was officially promoted to Road Maintenance Supervisor, Division 6 of Robeson County in 1982. He retired January 1, 2003 with 40+ years.

Harvey worked ALL of interstate 95, even outside of his district, from Raleigh to the South of the Border in SC, because of his expertise. His yellow truck was outfitted so that it could “ put the pedal to the metal”, as he was often asked to do. Harvey was called so much, that he was allowed to bring the

state truck home. The first to work and the last to leave, for he opened and closed the gate.

The sheriff's department and civilian's called Harvey for the bad, the hard, the stink, and the ugly. His call sign, #619, was used for accidents, trees, animals, high water in ditches, potholes, downed power lines and ANYTHING remotely related to the road. Even how far to place your mailbox from the street!!! He could quote the SOP and codes. When there was ice or snow, Harvey was sure to go. If you heard him singing, "I like it, I love it, I want some more of it", it was best to leave him alone. When he set foot on scene, HE WAS THE BOSS. If you didn't know it, he told you so. Prison detail called him "Boss" because he treated them with respect. Every person who Harvey trained, are top tier. Traveling to NC on 95 we knew the ride would be smooth and graded right. He could lay down more miles on 95, than anybody, in one day.

Harvey was a man who never met a stranger and gave great hugs. He meant what he said and said what he meant. A's make money, B's make a living, C's get by and D's and F's are on the chain gang and prison. Harvey was an excellent provider with a big belly laugh, who often said, "laughing is catching." A happy man "If you happy and you know it clap your hands." Harvey could cook and sing. Many experienced his specialties, like BBQ, sweet potato pie, and the fish and chicken fry's. Only his family, got to eat his applesauce cake that never lasted more than 8 hours. Harvey loved his wife's banana pudding too, which didn't last either. He enjoyed watching TV and letting it watch him. He lit a match when he went to visit in NY, PA, and MD. His salt of the earth was the garden that him and his wife supplied to many, into their early 70s. He often said he was proud of his children and his wife, who kept us in line.

Forever on our hearts, for love never dies, Harvey leaves a loving, faithful wife, Luesther Addison; four children who called him Da, Di, Daddy and sometimes HW, a name coined by his wife, Cheryl Annette, Harvey Shawn, Stacie Roslyn and Richard Jay Weldon; one daughter in love Shelia; grandchildren Kenisha, Imani, Klrissa, Inaje', Jessica, Marques, Carlisle,

Deshawn, Cornelius, Tatron, Zachary, and Isaac; 16 great-grands and bun in the oven; one brother in love, William; four sister in laws, Lois, Mae Zella, Betty and Vickie; one Aunt, Mary Sue; adopted son Shane, special friends, Oscar, Noah, Willie, Tim, Trooper Lee, Trooper Smith, Ronnie, Brenda and Ms Shearlie; first cousins, a host of nieces, nephews, co-workers and lifetime buddies.

Harvey, battle worthy, blazing iron, this man of strength, was worthy, wise, well-looked and well-loved. He never complained. For he always said, "Don't let nobody steal your joy (the Jesus On You), I didn't say it would be easy." Lastly. "All I can say is this, WE'VE BEEN BLESSED BY THE BEST."

In lieu of flowers, please donate to the American Heart Association.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 6. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

New Zion Methodist Church
Highway 74 West
Lumberton, NC

Celebration of Life

JUL 6. 12:00 PM (ET)

New Zion Methodist Church
Highway 74 West
Lumberton, NC

Tribute Wall

IM

“ Gda I think about you so much.... I just wanna talk to you.... I need to vent to you.... I'm happy you're resting

imani - June 27, 2025 at 05:22 AM

SW

“ Still missing you, HW. I miss my spot on your chest to rest my head. Gone too soon.

stacie watson - June 12, 2025 at 01:20 PM

SW

“ Still missing you Daddy

stacie watson - May 12, 2025 at 09:16 AM

BG

“ Bertha McArthur Graham lit a candle in memory of Harvey Watson



Bertha McArthur Graham - July 05, 2024 at 08:22 PM

JF

Harvey my cousin i will miss running in to you at Kentucky fried Chicken. When i would go to Lumberton. Janie ford Floyd.

Janie ford Floyd! - July 06, 2024 at 02:46 PM

CM

“ Craig Wilkins “ Mailman” lit a candle in memory of Harvey Watson



Craig Wilkins “ Mailman” - July 05, 2024 at 07:27 PM

SW

Thank you.

stacie watson - July 12, 2024 at 12:55 PM

NG

“ I met Mr. Harvey while working in the pharmacy at Walgreens. Whenever I would interact, I was always smiling and he would say, “Baby keep smiling you hear, a smile don’t cost a thing, but it worth more than you know”. Thank you Mr. Harvey for always letting your light shine. Nikki, Walgreens

Nikki G - July 05, 2024 at 06:32 PM

SW

Thank you

stacie watson - July 12, 2024 at 12:54 PM

JM

“ Mr. & Mrs. Weldon Maxwell & Brittany sends our deepest condolences to Bro. Jay Watson and his precious Family. We pray God's Comfort and Peace through this difficult time. May He surround you with Loving Kindness at all times!



Jacqueline R Maxwell - July 05, 2024 at 11:19 AM

MC

“ *Millers Chapel United Methodist Church lit a candle in memory of Harvey Watson*



Millers Chapel United Methodist Church - July 05, 2024 at 11:10 AM

KA

“ *Kenneth Addison sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Harvey Watson*



Kenneth Addison - July 03, 2024 at 08:40 PM

SW

Thanks

stacie watson - July 12, 2024 at 01:00 PM

JP

“ *My condolences to the Watson Family, Jacqueline Powell*

Jacqueline Powell - July 02, 2024 at 11:04 PM

DJ

“ *Dawn, Michael and Joey purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Mr. Harvey Watson.*



Dawn, Michael and Joey - July 02, 2024 at 09:35 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Harvey Watson.*



July 02, 2024 at 02:59 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are extended to the family of Mr. Harvey Watson during this most difficult time, Please accept my most sincere condolences.*

Sheriff Burnis Wilkins - July 02, 2024 at 12:28 PM



“ *Deloise Fletcher- Thompson lit a candle in memory of Harvey Watson*



Deloise Fletcher- Thompson - July 02, 2024 at 10:44 AM



“ *In deepest condolences to the family of Harvey Watson. I was best friends with Harvey and Luesther during our years at Hilly Branch. We have remained friends. Luesther I will continue to keep the family in my prayers. I will cherish our many loving memories over the years! Let me know if you need me.*

*Always
Betty Arp Green*

Betty Green - July 02, 2024 at 10:10 AM

SW

Love and thanks

stacie watson - July 12, 2024 at 12:57 PM

RC

“ *We will fondly remember Mr. Harvey. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family during this difficult time.*



RHCC- Scotland Health Center - July 02, 2024 at 09:28 AM

SW

Thank you

stacie watson - July 12, 2024 at 12:57 PM

SW

For remembering My Daddy

stacie watson - July 12, 2024 at 12:58 PM

FE

“ *Felicia lit a candle in memory of Harvey Watson*



Felicia - July 02, 2024 at 09:08 AM

NB

“ NCDOT - Div. 6 Bridge lit a candle in memory of Harvey Watson



NCDOT - Div. 6 Bridge - July 01, 2024 at 03:58 PM

SW

Thank you. Stacie Watson

Stacie Watson - July 01, 2024 at 09:27 PM

SW

Thanks

Stacie Watson - July 01, 2024 at 09:53 PM

RN

“ I will always cherish the lovely and funny conversations Mr. Harvey and I shared at the cookouts! What a beautiful spirit I had the pleasure to know on this side of heaven and I look forward to seeing again when it is my turn to enter His gates! To Jay, Zachary, Stacy and all of the Watson family, I pray you feel the comforting arms of our Heavenly Father during this difficult time. I love you. Robin N.

Robin Novak - July 01, 2024 at 02:38 PM

SW

I love you

Stacie Watson - July 01, 2024 at 09:36 PM

RO

I love you right back, my friend!

Robin - July 03, 2024 at 09:43 AM

BP

“ I worked with Harvey many years at DOT and looked forward to his telephone calls after we retired giving updates on many people we worked with through the years. He will be missed! Brenda & Ronnie Pittman



Brenda & Ronnie Pittman - July 01, 2024 at 02:20 PM

MT

Sending my love and condolences to the Watson and Addison Family.

Mitchell Thompson - July 05, 2024 at 05:24 PM

JB

Sincere codolences.

James and Pat Blue - July 07, 2024 at 06:41 AM

SW

Thank you

stacie watson - July 12, 2024 at 12:59 PM