



Mr. & Mrs. Arnie Gene Duncan

January 4, 2018

Arnie Gene Duncan, 73, of Woodville, peacefully passed into the loving arms of God on January 4, 2018. He is now with his beloved wife, Marie Cathern Cruce Duncan, who preceded him in death earlier in the day.

A son of the late Zeno and Lillie Mae Jackson Duncan, he was born on September 13, 1944, in North Carolina. He faithfully served his country in the US Marine Corps during the Vietnam War, and later retired from the City of Tallahassee as a Power Plant Operator.

She was a daughter of the late Frank and Gertrude Rosier Cruce and was born December 23, 1945, in Lawtey, Florida. She was a dedicated and loving homemaker, as well as a childcare provider at Immanuel Baptist Church Childcare. They were faithful members at Gospel Light Baptist Church in Tallahassee, and during their lives, were caregivers to many people.

They are survived by their children, Katrina Perrine (Steven), Nora Duncan (James Cooper) and Dora Duncan (Mike Brack); twelve grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. He is preceded in death by all of his siblings and she is preceded in death by four siblings. She is also survived by siblings, Marvin Cruce (Rosemary), Quincy Cruce, Frank Cruce, Jr. (Beth), George Cruce (Linda), Marcus Cruce (Cindy), Eula Mae Carlton, Gennell Starling, Gertie Faye Cruce, Virginia Linzy Gertrude Griffis (Duane) and Lucinda Batten.

Visitation for both Mr. and Mrs. Duncan is from 5:30 until 7:30 PM, Thursday, January 11, 2018, at Abbey Funeral Home. Funeral services are 2:00 PM, Friday, January 12, 2018, at Gospel Light Baptist Church, with interment following at Tallahassee Memory Gardens. Condolences may be expressed at www.abbeyfh.com.

Cemetery Details

Tallahassee Memory Gardens

4037 North Monroe Street
Tallahassee, FL 32303
(850) 562-1518
<https://www.abbeyfh.com/>

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 11. 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

Abbey Funeral Home
4037 North Monroe Street
Tallahassee, FL 32303
(850) 562-1518
abbeyfh@comcast.net

Service

JAN 12. 2:00 PM (ET)

Gospel Light Baptist Church
3415 Apalachee Parkway
Tallahassee, FL 32311

Tribute Wall



“ *Abbey Funeral Home and Tallahassee Memory Gardens created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. & Mrs. Arnie Gene Duncan*



Abbey Funeral Home and Tallahassee Memory Gardens - January 12, 2018 at 10:24 AM

GM

“ *By birth he was my uncle and only two years older than me but in our hearts we were brother and sister.*

He was my hero, always my protector when we were growing up, and I loved him with all my heart. In the last few years we stayed close by phone and I always ended our talks with "I love you," he always said, "I love you more."

She was my sister by marriage and I loved them together on this earth. Now they are angels together in heaven and I will always love them.

Ginger Martin - January 15, 2018 at 08:56 PM

TH

“ In 1989, my brother and I went to Immanuel Baptist Church to participate in their Vacation Bible School. Mrs. Kitty was teaching my group, the three year olds. I didn't know any English at the time so we communicated with our own form of sign language. Needless to say, I began speaking English that week, having learned Mrs. Kitty's favorite expressions like y'all, over yonder, hankerin' for, and fixin' to. This was the beginning of the love affair between the Herrans and Duncans that has lasted 30 years and counting. Gene and Kitty quickly became our family in Tallahassee - brother and sister to my parents and second parents to my brother and me. Mr. Gene and Mrs. Kitty taught my brother in various handy-man work and fueled my love of horses. They allowed me to share rides on Pal, the grandkids' beloved horse. They attended my dance recitals and high school graduation. My brother will forever claim Mr. Gene to be the wisest and strongest man, a master of any craft, a Jack of all trades. He always took the time to teach Alexis valuable life lessons along the way. I can't remember a time my family ever called a "professional" repairman. Anything that came up, Mr. Gene was the man for the job. Mild medical cases? Mrs. Kitty knew the remedy. I'm forever grateful she pulled out almost all of my loose teeth and left me with a huge toothless grin. I could easily go on and on about the amazing couple we all love. They leave a large void but an abundance of memories and lessons to get us through the day to day. What an immense love, admiration, and respect we have for our dear Gene and Kitty.

Forever yours,
Hans, Griselle, Alexis, and Meryl

The Herrans - January 12, 2018 at 09:30 PM

MC

“ I never knew the love of grandparents until I met them. They made sure to make me feel as if I truly was part of their family. They have never been anything but loving, kind, and supportive. The love they shared is only something I can dream of, but they made it a reality. They will be missed Immensely. ❤️

Maria Crawford - January 10, 2018 at 07:20 PM

LM

“ They never met a stranger, or turned their back on anyone, and always left a memory on anyone they met. The best 2 people I ever had the honor to meet and proud to call family. Glad to have had them in my life, love you always Granddad and Mother💕💕

Leslie Miller - January 10, 2018 at 06:51 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. & Mrs. Arnie Gene Duncan.



January 10, 2018 at 04:17 PM

TB

“ What a blessing Mr. Duncan was to so many. If ever there was someone to call when you needed help, a friend or just to visit with he was your guy. Such a giving heart :blue heart:. His love for Kitty was an example to us all on how to love unconditionally and to put your best friend first. You'll always be remembered for your kind and generous heart 💙

Teri Brigmon - January 10, 2018 at 12:00 PM

VL

“ I still think about Tommy’s trip to the hospital in Wisconsin and am so very thankful you flew out to assist me walking in that ice. I know you’re still laughing at me. We are going to miss you but know you are now completely healed. Tell Tommy I’ll see him soon.



virginia (Cruce) Linzy - January 10, 2018 at 11:52 AM

LH

“ Mr. Duncan was one of my all-time favorite people. When I worked at SunTrust where he banked, he never failed to come in with a huge smile and joke, and always made me laugh. He brightened my day and world. I continue to pray for healing for the Duncan family. Please know that Mr. Duncan made such a positive and beautiful difference in this world.

Leesa Hampton

Leesa Hampton - January 10, 2018 at 06:41 AM

WD

“ Woodville Volunteer Fire Department purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Mr. & Mrs. Arnie Gene Duncan.



Woodville Volunteer Fire Department - January 08, 2018 at 04:40 PM