



George Ray Henson

October 19, 1938 - January 29, 2020

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George Ray Henson, a man of great faith in his Yaweh and Yashua who served his country in the USMC for 17 years which included the Vietnam War and achieved SSGT Gunnery in rank.

A man who was dearly loved by his 3 daughters and son-in-law: Deborah McLemore, Tamara Cooper, Lynn Pittman and Burrell Pittman, who blessed him with a quiver full of blessings 14 grands, 21 great-grands and 2 great – great-grands. Shalom Dad, we love you!

A graveside service for Mr. Henson will be held on February 14, 2020 at 3:00PM at M.J. Dolly Cooper Veterans Cemetery will full military honors.

All of Mr. Henson's family and close friends are gratefully welcomed to attend.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to Tamara Cooper at 266 Rockcrest Dr., Cleveland SC 29365 for Jeb and care of Dad's animals.

Mountain View Funeral Home will be serving the Henson family.

Cemetery Details

M. J. "Dolly" Cooper Veterans Cemetery

140 Inway Drive
Anderson, SC 29621

Previous Events

Graveside Service

FEB 14. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ 1 file added to the album Mary A. Lee George Ray Henson was her oldest child.



Donald Lee - September 08, 2022 at 08:10 PM

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“ He was a great man he was mine and my wife garden angel, He will be mist Love Lee and Ann Thompson

Lee Thompson - February 11, 2020 at 06:14 PM

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The living years Our Mothers' oldest child. The first time I remember seeing Ray he landed in front of the house to tell Mom he had just married Phyllis, and was going to the Marines, and she looked like a movie star that had just stepped out of Hollywood! Phyllis said the first time she saw me she remembers I stood on the porch in my underpants, and said I'll be damn! Perhaps, her and Ray understood child psychology and understood that to mean, please don't go, and if you do come back soon, and bring Beautiful with you! I stayed with Ray, and Phyllis in Flora, Ohio, and later in Fairfax, Virginia. Ray loved to coon hunt, and had a Redbone female that he accomplished much with. I accompanied him on a wild coon hunt that he obtained 'Night Champion' with. I tried diligently for the past decades to find where he was, knowing I was working against father time, and the inevitable was quickly approaching. I pride myself in being able to do research with the best; however, it was all to no avail. I knew it was imminent if I ever found him, and Phyllis this would be a moment placing emphasis on The Living Years! R I P Semper fidelis

Donald Lee - August 09, 2022 at 12:06 PM

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Prior to my adolescent years I looked up to Ray, we had a lot in common we both loved hay burners. I often asked Mom about him and horses. She loved to tell me about a sorrel mare he had, 'Sandy'. Ray told her to stand at the fence and when he tried to catch Sandy to stand there at the fence and throw her hands in the air to discourage Sandy from jumping the fence. Mom said she stood there waving her arms in the air and Sandy went over her standing there waving her arms. Ray obviously had (3) three brothers that looked up to him and there were (4) four brothers that were Marines. I had an older brother that fought in WWII. We all received Honorable Discharges. Nothing less would have been acceptable. When I first stayed with Ray in Flora he had a very good Quarter horse. Well trained! He had a small paddock to keep it in. And this horse was trained in cutting. Ray did not have a steer to have his horse to cut; therefore, I was elected to be the steer in the paddock. We both obviously realized the bloodline is the main factor, and could not afford a high bred hay burner; therefore, we settled for dogs. Ray had a very good well bred Redbone female that I accompanied him on a wild coon hunt in Fairfax, Virginia that he made 'Night Champion' with. I owned German Shepherd, Dobermans, and Pit Bulls, that I trained in Schutzhund. A German sport encompassing all three facets of dog training. Obedience, Tracking, and Bite Work. Ray would have loved to have heard those tales of yester-year. I have studied Gods' Word for the last (20) twenty years. I have the best tools to take it to the original languages. I would have loved to had a deep Bible study with Ray. None of my brothers have had a bad word to say about Ray! Never! Knowing Ray as all my other Leatherneck brothers I would be remiss if I failed to say I would love to know why Ray was not able to fulfill a dream of staying in the Corps for (20) twenty years. We all had voted him the most likely to succeed in his pursuit as a career Military Man.

Semper fidelis R I P

Donald Lee - August 16, 2022 at 12:31 PM

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As I stated "I would love to know why Ray was not able to fulfill a dream of staying in the Corps for (20) twenty years. We all had voted him the most likely to succeed in his pursuit as a career Military Man." Rays' dream was shattered when he came home to his trophy wife and (2) daughters. I would have loved to have explained to Ray how Jesus took his blood to heaven and sprinkled it on the mercy seat. I would have loved to have told him about the Belgian Malinois. I would have loved to have told him about the 3 bar quarter horse I broke for the ranch in St. Louis, Mo. that had more quarter horses than anyone in the United States and perhaps the world how he threw me off and I landed on my feet. I would have loved to have offered him solace advising I knew why his world was shattered when he came home. Semper fidelis R I P

Donald Lee - August 03, 2025 at 11:22 AM

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I and (3) three brothers were Marines and older brother fought in WWII we all received Honorable Discharges nothing less would have been acceptable. One was in the Marines (17) seventeen years. I have the highest respect for all branches both Men and Women. Our military is the essence of the wind below the wings of old glory. Forever may it wave. Semper fidelis Soldier thank you for your service.

Donald Lee - October 16, 2025 at 10:17 AM

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Thank you for posting about my brother Ray.

Donald Lee - March 11 at 04:44 PM

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Thank you for posting about my brother Ray.

Donald Lee - March 11 at 04:46 PM

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Happy Mother' Day Mom. Even though Ray very seldom came to visit you I know he loved you and was always very respectful of you. This is the best I could do. Donald

Donald Lee - May 10 at 10:18 AM