



Otis G. "Chuck" Helper Jr.

August 30, 1926 - September 1, 2021

Otis G. "Chuck" Helper, Jr., 95, of St. Albans, passed away September 1, 2021 after a short illness.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Otis G., Sr. and Clara Dell Drake Helper. He was also preceded in death by his brothers, Eugene, Jack, Herbert; sisters, Gladys, Edna, Freeda and Betty; daughter-in-law, Linda Jo Bailey Helper.

Otis is survived by his loving wife of 76 years, Lenora Ruth Mace Helper; three children, Alan Helper (Mona) of Manassas, VA, David Helper (Shirley) of Spencer, Pam King (Steve) of Hurricane, Eight Grandchildren; Fifteen Great Grandchildren; plus numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

Otis was born and raised in Newton, West Virginia. He was a proud graduate of Spencer High School, class of 1944. He enlisted in the Army Air Corp as a junior and was accepted in the cadet program for pilots, navigators and bombardiers. Upon graduation, he entered active duty. After basic training, he was reclassified as an airplane mechanic because there was a shortage. After completion B-17 training, he went on to advance training on B-29 aircraft. Two weeks short of his completion in the training, the war ended.

Chuck and Lenora were married in Gulfport, Mississippi on July 7, 1945 while

he was stationed at Keesler Field in Biloxi, Mississippi. He worked 35 years at Union Carbide, Institute Plant as an instrument technician.

Chuck was a wonderful loving husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather, friend and neighbor. He will surely be missed by all who knew him.

He treasured his faith in God, his family and his country. Chuck was a man of great integrity. Our family was truly blessed to have him as our patriarch all these years.

He was a faithful member of the Pine Grove Church of Christ, Scott Depot. It was here that he accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior and was baptized.

Funeral service will be held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, September 7, 2021 at Bartlett-Nichols Funeral Home, St. Albans with Minister Jack Gilchrist officiating. Entombment will follow in Cunningham Memorial Park, St. Albans. The family asks that all visitors be either vaccinated or wear a mask.

The family will receive friends one hour prior to the funeral service at the funeral home.

You may visit Chuck's tribute page at BartlettNicholsFuneralHome.com to share memories or condolences with the family.

Bartlett-Nichols Funeral Home, family owned and located at 409 Sixth Ave., St. Albans is honored to serve the Helper family.

Cemetery Details

Cunningham Memorial Park, Lower Mausoleum Chapel

815 Cunningham Lane
St. Albans, WV 25177
(304) 727-4349

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 7. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Bartlett-Nichols Funeral Home
409 Sixth Avenue
Saint Albans, WV 25177
(304) 727-4325

Funeral Service

SEP 7. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

RM

“ Please accept our condolences to you Sweet Lenora....Fond memories of you and Chuck visiting Wanda and Family..and Being Perfect Loving Grands to Ray and Tonya!
Allen sorry we couldn't attend your Dads services b/c of our Own Health Issues.Please know He and your Family in our Prayers these Past few Days...Rosemary and Sam Mayberry

rosemary mayberry - September 08, 2021 at 07:34 PM

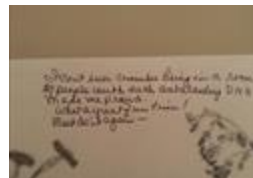
JU

“ To know him is to love him! One of the finest men on this earth. We will miss him greatly. He always brought a smile to one's face when he came near. Such a privilege to know him and call him "brother" in Christ. Lewy & Judy Moore

Judy - September 08, 2021 at 08:28 AM

 Tammy
Pettit
Keldsen

“ It was an honor to know you We had a great family get together which was so precious Condolences to Lenore .love always tammy pettit keldsen



Tammy Pettit Keldsen - September 06, 2021 at 02:12 PM

LN

“ Aunt Lenora and family Im so sorry for your loss of our great uncle .
Prayers to the family.
Liz Pettit Nelson and family (California)❤️

Liz Pettit Nelson - September 06, 2021 at 02:08 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the
family of Otis G. "Chuck" Helper Jr..



September 05, 2021 at 07:06 PM

LA

“ Being your neighbor for 33 years, I have many memories of you and
Lenora. To me, he was his greatest when he visited me and my
husband almost every day for the last 5 to 6 years that my husband
was sick. He was one of the truest friends and neighbors anyone
could ask for. Even thou I have moved away, I will always remember
Otis and Lenora.

linda akers - September 05, 2021 at 03:41 PM

JS

“ So sorry for your loss. Knew Mr Helper as one of my favorite
banking customers for many years...Citizens Natl Bank-Chase.
Remember him as kind, well respected, a true gentleman. Sending
prayers for the family and friends.

Jean Ann Shannon - September 05, 2021 at 12:39 PM

DG

“ Chuck will be greatly missed. He was an amazing, caring, and loving man.

Dick and Judy Grady - September 05, 2021 at 10:50 AM

MC

“ SO VERY SORRY TO HEAR OF HIS PASSING. HE WAS A KIND GENTLE MAN AND WILL BE MISSED BY HIS EXTENDED FAMILY. SO VERY THANKFUL TO KNOW HE IS RESTING IN THE ARMS OF GOD. WE PRAY FOR PEOPLE'S HEALING AND WHEN THEY GO TO BE WITH THE LORD.....THEY ARE HEALED. LOVE TO THIS BEAUTIFUL FAMILY.

MARILYN CARTE - September 04, 2021 at 01:51 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Otis G. "Chuck" Helper Jr..



September 04, 2021 at 10:16 AM

JM

“ I wanted to say that I am sorry for your loss. Lenora, you were not only my mother's hair stylist but also her friend. She loved to talk about the trip you both took to Hawaii. Also, the time you were cutting her hair and her car brake released and her car went rolling down your street and across Kanawha Terrace and hit a tree. Pam and Steve, I remember time in study hall only to see you graduate early. I also remember your wedding and how you were both standing at the alter, laughing. It was so you. Thank you for the memories. Joyce Crimmel McGowan

Joyce Crimmel McGowan - September 04, 2021 at 06:30 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Otis G. "Chuck" Helper Jr..



September 03, 2021 at 09:37 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray* was purchased for the family of Otis G. "Chuck" Helper Jr..



September 03, 2021 at 10:10 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Otis G. "Chuck" Helper Jr..



September 03, 2021 at 07:27 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Otis G. "Chuck" Helper Jr..



September 03, 2021 at 02:05 AM

SB

“ So sorry for your loss. Prayers for your family.

Susan Ball - September 03, 2021 at 12:20 AM

SB

So sorry for your loss. Prayers for for a dear family and his friends.

Susan Ball - September 03, 2021 at 12:23 AM

JB

David I am so sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

Jerry Baum - September 04, 2021 at 08:55 AM

CP

David, Lenora, Leslie, Jason, and Jennifer, and families, I am so sorry for your loss. Praying God's comfort for you.

Carol Payne - September 04, 2021 at 11:09 AM



“ I had known Mr Helper since Pam and I met going into Jr High at Mckinley...I Loved and Highly Respected this Great Man...He helped me through some trying times when I'd be looking for Pam and he happened to be the one to answer the phone..Even as an Adult, when I lost my own Dad in 1988...he had such kind words to say to me...I'm so Thankful to have known this Amazing Man...RIP Poppa Helper...

Debbie Lacy - September 02, 2021 at 09:03 PM

ET

“ While I didn't get the chance to spend time with Mr. Otis, he was my grandma Wilma's uncle and oh man, she adore him! During her last days earthside, she would take any calls from her and they made her feel so much better. I'm grateful that they both didn't know each other passed in the past week. I'm hoping that they are reunited with family and are having the best of times together. Sending love and thoughts to his family! Much love to everyone ♥

Emily Torres - September 02, 2021 at 08:21 PM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Otis G. "Chuck" Helper Jr..



September 02, 2021 at 06:20 PM