



## James Ronald Haynes, Sr.

September 7, 1926 - September 22, 2018

Mr. James R. Haynes, Sr., age 92 of Conyers, was born September 7, 1926 in Royston, GA to the late David Mathis Haynes and Bertie Mae McGarity Haynes and went to be with the Lord on Saturday, September 22, 2018. He was preceded in death by his parents, 3 brothers, 7 sisters and his beloved wife of 55 years, Mary Isabelle 'Mitzi' Higginbotham. He is survived by his children, James R. Haynes, Jr. (Ronnie) and his wife, Debbie of Lawrenceville, Joseph Sterling Haynes (Bo) and his wife, Betsy of Hayesville, NC, Richard Michael Haynes (Ricky) and his wife, Jennifer of Rutledge, Teresa Haynes Denson (Terri) and her husband, Bruce of Conyers. He is also survived by grandchildren, James R. Haynes, III (Little Ronnie), Kevin Giles Haynes, Kelly Haynes Waldo, Jason Eric Haynes, Casey Mathis Haynes, Michael Chadwick Haynes (Chad), Chelsea Denson McCreary, Mary Cameron Huff (Cam); 11 great-grandchildren; 1 great-great-granddaughter; and wife, Hester Cope of Toccoa. James and Mitzi spent most of their time together living in Decatur, Georgia, majority of which was in the community of Churchill Downs. They spent many wonderful years with both family and friends in this community before relocating to Conyers. James was a colorful character who loved his family and friends. He was a die-hard fan of the Atlanta Braves, Atlanta Falcons and the Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets. He loved to spend time at the lake and always loved his pet dogs and cats. James was a veteran of the US Army during World War II in the European Theater. He was an officer of the Glenwood Jaycees and a treasurer for the

Georgia Jaycees. He was a graduate of Boys High in Atlanta and attended the University of Georgia Atlanta Division which is now Georgia State. He helped to organize the Mt. Carmel Midget Panthers Football which went on to become Glenwood Hills Panthers Football League. He was involved in the early years of Glenwood Hills Little League Baseball and was a founding member of Longdale Little League Baseball. He was a member of the Kirkwood Boys Club. He worked many years in the family business at Higginbotham Furniture Store and also worked as a comptroller for TOMCO Equipment Company. Funeral Services will be held Thursday, September 27, 2018 at 11 a.m. at Scot Ward's Green Meadow Chapel with Dr. Jim Martin and Father Tripp Norris officiating; interment will follow at 12:30 p.m. at Resthaven Memorial Gardens. Family will receive friends Wednesday, September 26, 2018 from 7 until 9 p.m. and Thursday from 10 until 11 a.m. prior to the service at the funeral home. His beautiful blue eyes, sly grin and dry sense of humor will be dearly missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing him. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to PAWS Atlanta, a no kill animal shelter and pet rescue [www.pawsatlanta.org](http://www.pawsatlanta.org). Condolences may be submitted on-line at [www.scotward.com](http://www.scotward.com). Scot Ward Funeral Services, 699 American Legion Rd., Conyers, GA, 770-483-7216.

# Cemetery Details

## Resthaven Memorial Gardens

2284 Candler Road  
Decatur, GA 30032

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **26**. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Scot Ward Funeral Services at Green Meadow Memorial Gardens  
699 American Legion Road  
Conyers, GA 30012

## Visitation

SEP **27**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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699 American Legion Road  
Conyers, GA 30012

## Service

SEP **27**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Scot Ward's Green Meadow Chapel  
699 American Legion Road  
Conyers, GA 30012



# Tribute Wall

JJ

“ James Hazelwood Jr lit a candle in memory of James Ronald Haynes, Sr.



James Hazelwood Jr - September 26, 2018 at 04:08 PM

JJ

Our most sincere prayers and warmest thoughts for the Haynes and the Higginbotham families during this time of sorrow. [SEP]Fondest memories of James and Mitzi and the times at both the Haynes and Hazelwood homes during the Christmas holidays and at family gatherings, sports events and the many good times. [SEP]Ronnie your dad was forever the kind and gentle man in the room. The “Families” will always remember James as a loving dad to all his of his children and his grandkids.....[SEP]God bless James, and hold him safe in the ‘Palm of His Hand” forever.... will shall not forget this gentle man.

James Hazelwood Jr - September 26, 2018 at 04:10 PM

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“ Kim& Lance Gore , LeAnne & Stanley Long (Morris) purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of James Ronald Haynes, Sr..



Kim& Lance Gore , LeAnne & Stanley Long (Morris) -  
September 26, 2018 at 01:10 PM

KG

“ Thinking of your family during this time of sorrow, remembering all the times at the Haynes house during and after football games, random visits, and trips to the lake...your daddy was always the best- story teller, host, and above all, a proud and loving dad to all his kids...even the extra kids he had at the house.



Kim and Lance Gore - September 26, 2018 at 06:14 AM

DH

“ God bless the Haynes Family. James was a special person to all that knew him RIP my friend you will definitely be missed.

Dennis and Denise Hazelwood - September 25, 2018 at 02:34 PM



“ 48 files added to the album LifeTributes



Scot Ward Funeral Services - September 25, 2018 at 01:31 PM

LG

“ *Love and Prayers to all who loved James.  
May God give you peace to comfort you.*  
*Lynnd Griffin*



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**Lynnd Griffin** - September 25, 2018 at 11:41 AM

LA

“ *So very sorry for your loss. God Bless your dad and all the family*

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**Loretta & Grady Askew** - September 25, 2018 at 11:29 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the  
family of James Ronald Haynes, Sr..*



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September 25, 2018 at 10:22 AM

MS

“ *Our deepest condolences Bo, Betsy and Family. It is always difficult  
to lose a parent.*  
*Love*  
*Kent and Mindy*

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**mindy & Kent Sink** - September 24, 2018 at 08:04 PM

CH

“ *To the Haynes family,  
So sorry for your loss.*  
*Cecelia Higginbotham*

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**cecilia higginbotham** - September 24, 2018 at 06:39 PM

LM

“ *Love and Prayers! Andy & Lisa Mathis*



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**Lisa Mathis** - September 24, 2018 at 02:58 PM