



## Frank "Gene" Eugene Hester

July 26, 1935 - September 19, 2024

Frank "Gene" Eugene Hester, 89, went to Heaven on Thursday, September 19, 2024, leaving this earth from his home in Copan.

Gene was born July 26, 1935, in Alluwe, Oklahoma, to Frank and Agnes (Stanart) Hester.

He married his childhood sweetheart, Beverly Alspach, in 1954 in Bartlesville and the couple had three children, Phyllis, Mark and Danny. They lived in Dewey for several years and then eventually made their home in Copan.

Gene and Beverly are the founding members of the Families for Christ Freewill Baptist Church in Copan, where Gene pastored for as long as his earthly body would allow. He loved his church family and was committed to the end. He preached his last sermon in August. In his earlier years, he also pastored in Stillwater, Barnsdall, Bartlesville, Dewey, and Copan.

Gene and Beverly also ran B&G (Beverly & Gene) Auto Sales, the family business, for many years. Throughout his life, Gene worked various jobs, including working in oilfields, Page Milk, construction of the Oologah dam, sporting goods manager at Gibson's in Bartlesville, and at Barnhart Funeral Home in Barnsdall.

Gene loved fishing and hunting and was one of the best fishermen in Oklahoma, according to him.

Survivors include his children, Phyllis Peal and her husband Jerry of Copan, Danny Hester and wife Marie of Goose Creek, S.C., and Mark Hester and wife Tammie of Grove, OK; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Gene was preceded in death by his loving wife, Beverly; his parents; three brothers, Smith Hester, Wheeler Hester, and Cecil Hester; and three sisters, Melvina Lane, Christina McGrew, and Shirley Reed.

Visitation will be held from 12-8 p.m. Friday, September 20, 2024, at the Davis Family Funeral Home – Dewey Chapel, 113 S. Osage Ave., Dewey, OK 74029, 918-534-3030.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, September 21, 2024, with his son and pastor, Mark Hester, officiating. Services are under the direction of Carter Davis and the Davis Family Funeral Home – Dewey Chapel. Online condolences and remembrances may be shared at [www.DavisFamilyFuneralHome.com](http://www.DavisFamilyFuneralHome.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **20**. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Davis Family Funeral Home - Dewey Chapel  
113 S Osage Ave  
Dewey, OK 74029  
(918) 534-3030  
davisfamilyfuneralhome@gmail.com

## Funeral

SEP **21**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ I knew Gene for at least 50yrs.Bought several cars from him.Always enjoyed knowing Gene,RIP friend,Steve Grindle

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**Steve Grindle** - September 20, 2024 at 01:38 AM

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“ Sorry for your family loss



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**Diana Maples(Waller)** - September 19, 2024 at 03:12 PM