



## Howard Shrum

October 16, 1923 - April 11, 2014

James Howard “Red” Shrum, 90, of Gosport passed away at Owen Valley Health Campus on Friday, April 11, 2014.

Howard was born in Murphysboro, Tennessee on October 16, 1923 into the home of Genie Sylvester and Ovaleta (Grace) Shrum. He was married to Katie (Stinson) Shrum on May 23, 1953 recently celebrating over 60 years together. Howard retired from General Motors in Indianapolis after 31 ½ years of service. He was a member of the Spencer Church of Christ. Howard enjoyed horses and was well known for showing his team in parades during the Lazy Days Festival and other events. He was a great storyteller and loved his family, wanting them around him all the time. He also enjoyed junking or as he called it, collecting “precious metals” to sell.

He was preceded in death by his parents: sister, Armentabelle McDonald and brother, George Rather.

Howard is survived by his wife, Katie Shrum; children, G. Fred Shrum (Barbara) of Worthington, Garry Shrum (Lynn) of Ellettsville, Neil Shrum (Cora) of Gosport, Ivan Shrum (Tracy) of Gosport, Keith Shrum (Mary) of Spencer, and Wendell Shrum (Mitzi) of Gosport; grandchildren, Erin, Bonnie, Marisa, Joshua, Jim, Andrew, Beth Ann, Foster, Sara, Dylan, Hope, Wendi, Jessie, Tosha and Mikey; eighteen great-grandchildren, and several nieces

and nephews.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, April 18, 2014 at the Spencer Church of Christ with Brother Gary Fiscus officiating. Burial is to follow at Chambersville Cemetery. Visitation will be at Chandler Funeral Home-Whitaker Chapel in Gosport on Thursday, April 17, 2014 from 4:00 to 8:00.

# Cemetery Details

## Chambersville Cemetery

North County Line Road and State Highway  
46  
Spencer, IN 47460  
(812) 327-1553

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 17. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Chandler Funeral Homes - Whitaker Chapel  
2 East Main Street  
PO BOX 86  
Gosport, IN 47433  
(812) 879-4245  
chandlerfh@bluemarble.net  
<https://www.chandlerfh.com>

## Service

APR 18. 1:00 PM (ET)

Spencer Church of Christ  
720 East Morgan Street  
Spencer, IN 47460

# Tribute Wall

RH

“ *My sympathy to you Katy and to all your family. Howard has been a friend and fellow brother in Christ for many years. I will surely miss him in days to come. Richard.*

Richard Highet - April 18, 2014 at 07:08 AM

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“ *Susan, Bob, Pat & Margaret, John, Katy, Danny & Matt purchased the Rainbow Reflections Basket for the family of Howard Shrum.*

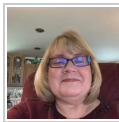


Susan, Bob, Pat & Margaret, John, Katy, Danny & Matt - April 15, 2014 at 01:55 PM

BF

“ *Sorry for your loss. Brad & Becky Fulk*

Brad & Becky Fulk - April 15, 2014 at 10:35 AM



*I thank you brad and Becky. We appreciate your kind words. Neil and Cora on behalf of the whole Shrum family.*

Cora McFadden Shrum - April 17, 2014 at 12:32 PM

JQ

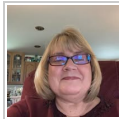
“ *My deepest sympathy is extended to the Shrum family in their loss.*

*Many times I had breakfast with Howard at the Gosport Diner's "Liars table. One day he mentioned that he had bought my Dad's two-bottom plow many years ago. He said I want you to have it as a gift. I told him how much that meant to me because I did not know who Dad sold it to and had been searching for it for a long time. It was Dad's (Waldo Quick) first new implement which I had also used extensively. I picked it up and paid Howard, over his strenuous objections, the \$35 he had paid Dad for the plow. I still have the plow and plan to eventually restore it. This is an example of Howard's kindness and thoughtfulness.*

*Jerry Quick*

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**Jerry Quick** - April 15, 2014 at 09:45 AM



*Oh thank you jerry for your kind words and for the wonderful memory you have. Yes dad was very kind and thoughtful. !*

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**Cora McFadden Shrum** - April 17, 2014 at 12:34 PM