



## H. Maynard Harper

May 28, 1921 - November 19, 2019

H. Maynard Harper, 98, of Chandlerville, passed away at Walker Nursing Home in Virginia, Illinois, at 8:43 a.m. on Tuesday, November 19, 2019. He was born May 28, 1921, in Chandlerville, to Dr. William Charles and Georgia Juanita (Broadbent) Harper. He married Marjorie E. Newman, in Peoria, IL, on September 17, 1944. She preceded him in death on August 30, 1998. He later married Elaine Cary on February 14, 2004. She survives.

Mr. Harper is survived by his wife, Elaine, of Virginia; two children: Tom (JoLynn) Harper, of Springfield, and Carol Bedtka of Ashland; four grandchildren: Melodie (Kip) Hamilton, Tiffanie (Scott) Haak and Christopher Bedtka and Courtney Bedtka; as well as four great-grandchildren, Lexi, Gabriella, Mya and Spencer, all of Jacksonville, Florida. Also surviving are son-in-law Gary Bedka and extended family members Wyatt and Karen Anderson. He was preceded in death by his parents, wife – Marjorie, two brothers, Burdette and Bueford, and sister Beverly.

Mr. Harper was a member of Fairview Methodist Church, near Chandlerville. He was a 75 year member of Chandlerville Masonic Lodge #724 AF&AM, and currently served as Chaplain. He worked for Illinois Power in Havana for many years, retiring in 1982. He enjoyed fishing in Canada, and spending time with his family. He was a licensed pilot for many years and owned his own airplane. In retirement, he enjoyed traveling to the Caribbean, and spending time in St. Thomas and St. Maartin.

Visitation will be held at Lintner-Hurley Funeral Home on Thursday, November

21, 2019, from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m., with Masonic Rites at 6:30 p.m. Funeral services will be held on Friday, November 22, 2019, at 11:00 a.m., also at the funeral home. Rev. Jonathan Brashear will officiate. Burial will follow the services at Chandlerville Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Chandlerville Fraternal Organizations. Online memorial messages may be left for the family at [www.hurleyfh.com](http://www.hurleyfh.com). Lintner-Hurley Funeral Home in Chandlerville is in charge of arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Chandlerville Cemetery

Chandlerville, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 21. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Lintner Hurley Funeral Home - Chandlerville  
255 South Main Street  
P.O. Box #346  
Chandlerville, IL 62627  
(217) 458-2424  
<https://www.hurleyfh.com/>

## Masonic Rites

NOV 21. 6:30 PM (CT)

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## Funeral

NOV **22**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Hurley Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of H. Maynard Harper



Hurley Funeral Home - November 21, 2019 at 01:20 PM



“ H. Maynard Harper

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ I am so sorry I missed your passing. Great family man and church going person. So glad I was able to know he and Elaine at Fairview. A lot of great people in that church.

Brenda Laurik - November 22, 2019 at 07:11 PM



“ Brenda Laurik lit a candle in memory of H. Maynard Harper



Brenda Laurik - November 22, 2019 at 06:59 PM

SC

“ My uncle, Johnie Conway, also worked at Il. power in Havana. They shared rides to work for some time. I spent a lot time at my aunt and uncle's and home and became acquainted with Maynard. I am now 81. I thought he was the most handsome man. He was very kind. I also visited it at Walker's when he was there visiting his wife. May the peace and comfort of our Lord be with you. Shirlee Clark

shirlee clark - November 22, 2019 at 01:39 PM

RS

“ Maynard was always such a gentleman, so easy and willing to visit with. He truly cared about people and will be missed by many. Our sincere sympathy to you all.  
Darell and Rosanne Sarff

Rosanne Sarff - November 21, 2019 at 09:38 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of H. Maynard Harper.



November 21, 2019 at 08:43 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of H. Maynard Harper.



November 21, 2019 at 01:04 PM

KC

“ *Kenneth & Charlene Harper & Children purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of H. Maynard Harper.*



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**Kenneth & Charlene Harper & Children** - November 21, 2019  
at 01:03 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of H. Maynard Harper.*



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November 21, 2019 at 11:44 AM

RH

“ *Blessings and condolences to the family of Maynard Harper. My parents, Clem and Freda Haxton, were good friends of Maynard and both his wives. Dad and Maynard worked at the power plant together, and they shared times in Canada and around the Illinois River. I think I remember hearing that Dad and Marge were distant cousins. Good times, good friends are a gift from God. Rest in Peace.*  
*Stan Haxton.*

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**Rev. Stanley Haxton** - November 21, 2019 at 10:12 AM

TR

“ *My heart goes out to all of you. I have so many great memories throughout my childhood of your dad. We had such a good conversation a few months ago that just reminds me of all those who make such a difference in our lives and how we need to let them know that. Prayers and hugs to you all!*

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**Tonya Reddy** - November 21, 2019 at 08:46 AM

PB

“ *Patty Burton lit a candle in memory of H. Maynard Harper*



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**Patty Burton** - November 20, 2019 at 10:51 PM

JH

“ *Maynard was simply one of the best men I have ever met. He conducted his life with honor, dignity and a wonderful equanimity rare to find. He was a member of our church and there is a huge hole left there, now that he is gone. His life was an example of how to age gracefully and beautifully. He was unwilling to sit idly and grow old. He gave it everything he had for 98 years. Rest in peace, Maynard. You will be sorely missed. Clint and Judy Hurdle*

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**Judy Hurdle** - November 20, 2019 at 06:22 PM

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“ *Terni Hinrichs lit a candle in memory of H. Maynard Harper*



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**Terni Hinrichs** - November 20, 2019 at 05:44 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of H. Maynard Harper.



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November 20, 2019 at 05:35 PM



“ Dear friends, We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are in celebration of a wonderful man, our forever friend, Maynard. He was a gentle and kind man. Because of his love for God, we know that he and Marjorie are together again in paradise. ❤️ Blessings, Pastor Mark & Chris Horn

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**Chris Horn** - November 20, 2019 at 04:56 PM



“ so sorry to hear of Maynards passing. He was such a pleasant person to be around and I was proud to have worked with him at the power plant.. At the retirees dinners he always brought sunshine to the rest of us retirees. RIP Maynard, you will be missed. Bill Weime, Sierra Vista, AZ

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**Bill Weime** - November 20, 2019 at 04:53 PM



“ Mary Neely lit a candle in memory of H. Maynard Harper



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**Mary Neely** - November 20, 2019 at 04:49 PM

RH

“ *Rita Hardy lit a candle in memory of H. Maynard Harper*



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**Rita Hardy** - November 20, 2019 at 04:36 PM