



## William O. Hancken

July 30, 1929 - April 3, 2009

Memorial services for Mr. William O. Hancken, age 79, are scheduled for Monday, April 6, 2009 at 9:00AM in the chapel of Pafford Funeral Home with Dr. Mike Adams officiating. Mr. Hancken died Friday in Lexington. He was born July 30, 1929 in Birmingham, AL to the late William O. and Elizabeth Brown Trammell Hancken. He was a retired licensed plumber for 52 years, a lifetime member of Local 440-United Association, a WWII U. S. Air Force Veteran, and a member of First Baptist Church. He was a member of Sahara Grotto and a Mason since 1954. He was an avid fisherman and a member of Savannah Tennessee Bass Club, fishing was his life! Survivors include his wife of 59 years, Joanne Hancken of Lexington, his son, William Hancken of Lexington, two daughters, Cynthia Rule of Newport Beach, CA and Deborah Medsker of Franklin, IN, one sister, Betty Jones of Birmingham, AL, seventeen grandchildren, nine great grandchildren, and two great-great grandchildren.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 6. 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM (CT)

Pafford Funeral Home - Lexington, TN.

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## Service

APR 6. 9:00 AM (CT)

Chapel of Pafford Funeral Home - Lexington, TN.

71 Monroe Avenue

Lexington, TN

# Tribute Wall



“ Pafford Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of William O. Hancken



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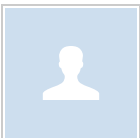
Pafford Funeral Home - April 03, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ My Dear Husband of 59 beautifull years. I lay every night seeing you laying on the hose wishing I could have brought you back. what a shock it was I was going to put trash in garage saw you lay there. I was totally helpness.im stillnum. son is takign good care of me. he misses his fishign buddy. he loved you so much. Dear do not worry Ill never Marry again never. the tears are flowing now. your in my heart for ever. I have your picture in ev ery room. I loved you Billwith all my heart. Love wife Joanne###imported-begin##your loving wife###imported-end##

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April 19, 2009 at 08:19 PM



“ To my sweet Deb and your family. Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers. Wish I could have met him. He seems like he was such a wonderful man.###imported-begin##Jean McDonnell###imported-end##

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April 14, 2009 at 07:52 PM



“ *My Dearest Grandpa - I'd like to interrupt your fishing adventure in heaven for one moment. I didn't tell you as often as I should have, how much I love you. You were such a hard-working role model for me growing up. You and grandma have given me some of the hardest laughs in my life! And grandma is still doing that. She had me on the couch laughing in tears this weekend. You won't be missed, because I'll see you everyday thanks to the wonderful memories and t-shirts of yours that I get to wear to bed every night! My boyfriends may not think they're very sexy...but they will look damn good on me! I'll try to help take care of grandma for you, but you know that will be a tough one! Actually, Uncle Billy, Aunt Cindy and Mom are doing a great job of taking care of her. I'll just be their helper. Save a spot on your fishing boat in heaven for me, one day I'll be coming aboard for a ride. Until then, I'll keep an eye out on the wonderful, greatest, bestest mom in the world that you & grandma blessed me with. She is the best gift in the world to me. I love you grandpa and "Catch the Big One!". -Renee##imported-begin##Donna Medsker##imported-end##*

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April 13, 2009 at 10:13 AM



“ *Billy,*

*I regret all of those years when we had no contact, but I cherish our reunion in our senior years. Thank you for the brief times we shared. You will always remain in my memories as a wonderful and unique cousin.*

*Leon##imported-begin##Leon Trotter##imported-end##*

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April 11, 2009 at 12:22 PM



“ Grandpa, I love you very much! It was such a huge honor for me to have been part of such great life story - yours. And it's an honor to have you in mine.

Grandma, I know Grandpa will still see me when I get there (only not in the physical world), as well as he's been watching over all of you. I love you.##imported-begin##Elize##imported-end##

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April 11, 2009 at 10:28 AM



“ I want to take a minute and let everyone know how much it means to me how much my daddy was loved by all. Please take care of my mother while I am gone in Indiana. Your prayers, thoughts, food, everything. My daddy is very special to me, I will miss him so much, he always waited for me at the end of the steps, couldnt wait for me to get out the car when we visited, I promise daddy mother will want for nothing...she knows how much you love her. You will never know how much I love and will miss you.. All my love, Debora Sue##imported-begin##Debbie - Daughter##imported-end##

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April 11, 2009 at 08:58 AM



“ Grandpa -

I'm glad I got to see you all the time driving my semi through Tenn, We will miss you. Don't worry about grandma, the family will take care of her.

Love, Billy & family##imported-begin##Grandson - Billy and Family##imported-end##

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April 11, 2009 at 08:52 AM



“ Hi honey - After 59 yrs that's long time to have to let you go. I was hoping I'd go first. You have a lot of friends and a lot of buddies. Your heart is in every lake you fished. your friend Jim has wrote you name on front his boat. When he goes fishing your right there catching that big bass in the front seat. I'll never get over it. You will be in my heart for ever. Just remember I love you - you were my life. I had what I wanted. I was spoiled by you. No one will ever take your place never. Billy is a jewell he will take care of me for you. You were his fishing buddy.He misses you watching boxing every night I'll see you soon. I'll see you in my dreams every night hugs and kisses like I do every night.  
Love you forever Bill - Your ever loving wife Joanne###imported-begin###wife - Joanne###imported-end###

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April 11, 2009 at 08:46 AM



“ im going to miss you dad you were my fishing buddy. we did get to fish together for a few months, i know youre fishing now .  
love youre son bill###imported-begin###son###imported-end###

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April 11, 2009 at 08:32 AM



“ Mr. Hancken will be missed. Best regards to Mrs.  
Hancken.###imported-begin###Joseph Blackburn###imported-end###

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April 10, 2009 at 01:04 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss. My prayers are with all of you.

Love Barb, Tara, and Netta Brown###imported-begin###Barbara Brown###imported-end###

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April 09, 2009 at 03:06 PM



“ DEbb  
*I'm so sorry. May God bless you and your family and hold you tight.  
You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. I love you.*

*Audrey##imported-begin##Audrey Hardwick##imported-end##*

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April 09, 2009 at 09:16 AM



“ *I was so shocked when I read your email just a while ago. We didn't see the obit in the Jackson Sun and I hadn't checked my email because I have been so busy. We are so sorry for you and your family's loss. We really liked Bill. He and Johnny had some good visits. I am so thankful we got to see you and him few weeks ago. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Take care. Love you.##imported-begin##Freddie and Johnny White##imported-end##*

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April 08, 2009 at 09:56 PM



“ Debb,

*I am sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.##imported-begin##Emma VonDielingen##imported-end##*

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April 08, 2009 at 09:43 PM



“ Dear JoAnne,  
We extend our deepest sympathy to you for the loss of your husband Bill. May God be with you and your family during this very difficult time.##imported-begin##Sue and Gil Fredrick##imported-end##

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April 07, 2009 at 08:35 PM



“ So sad to hear about Uncle Bill. He was always so nice and I loved him so much. I will miss him alot. Aunt Jo, you are in my thoughts and prayers now and always. Love, lisa##imported-begin##Lisa (Shropshire), John, and Hayley Goebel##imported-end##

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April 07, 2009 at 12:29 PM



“ I will miss you very much grampa...I love you and wish I could have been at your services...Jake and Christopher send their love and we will all see you sometime in the future...Now go catch some fish and enjoy your peace. I love you Grampa....##imported-begin##Jon Anderson##imported-end##

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April 07, 2009 at 12:12 PM



“ I am so sorry about Bill, please know I am thinking of you.##imported-begin##Martha Hancken Daniel##imported-end##

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April 07, 2009 at 10:15 AM



“ We are so sorry for your loss. Our condolences to you and the family. Our prayers are with you all.

*Imogene & Fred##imported-begin##imogene frye##imported-end##*

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April 07, 2009 at 08:55 AM



“ We feel the sorrow bestowed upon you for the loss of your love and our friend. Nature nurtures as time passes but the love you hold for Bill will endure always in your heart by remembering your special moments.

*Our Deepest Sympathy,  
Tom and Debbe##imported-begin##Tom and Debbe  
Sterrett##imported-end##*

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April 06, 2009 at 11:40 PM



“ sharing your sorrow in this##imported-begin##Debbe and Tom Sterrett##imported-end##

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April 06, 2009 at 11:15 PM



“ He was a wonderful and kind brother-in-law. We loved him very much. We will keep you in our prayers.  
love you

*Sis and Brian##imported-begin##Brian & Norma Jean  
O'Connor##imported-end##*

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April 06, 2009 at 09:15 PM



“ Joanne you and your lovely family are in our thoughts and prayers  
Love Don & Norma###imported-begin##Don & Norma  
Brewer###imported-end##

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April 06, 2009 at 08:43 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. We love  
you. Jeff, Phyllis & Mouse###imported-begin##Jeff & Phyllis  
Wilson###imported-end##

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April 06, 2009 at 06:02 PM



“ Heartfelt Sympathy  
in the Loss of your Husband there's so little one can do or say,  
but may it help to know  
that others deeply care###imported-begin##Bobby and Linda  
Hensley###imported-end##

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April 06, 2009 at 07:59 AM



“ We are praying for you all. May God surround you with His love.  
Love,  
Steve, Karen, and Ivy Lane Wyatt###imported-begin##Steve Wyatt  
and family###imported-end##

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April 06, 2009 at 12:51 AM



“ *Joanne,*  
*So sorry about the loss of your beloved Bill. You may not remember us, but you use to live in back of us in Savannah. My sister is Lucille Gray. Altho, we did not live there very long, we enjoyed the time we knew the two of you. Our prayers are with you and your family.*  
*Joyce & Jerry Murnane##imported-begin##Joyce & Jerry Murnane##imported-end##*

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April 05, 2009 at 04:47 PM



“ *JOANNE YOU HAVE MY SYMPATHY AS I KNOW WHAT IT IS TO LOOSE YOUR HUSBAND.MY PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.*  
*BETTY SHEPPARD##imported-begin##Betty Sheppard##imported-end##*

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April 04, 2009 at 09:38 PM



“ *JoAnn and Family so sorry about the loss of your precious Bill, you know Glenn and I loved him and have enjoyed so much playing mexican train with you guys, we will cherish his memory for ever.*

*You and your children are in our prayers. May God Bless and comfort all of you.*  
*Love, Anna & Glenn##imported-begin##Anna w. Kirk##imported-end##*

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April 04, 2009 at 08:35 PM



“ So sorry for your loss. Bill was a good friend and will be missed greatly. He really loved fishing!

*Jim##imported-begin##Jim and Jeanne King##imported-end##*

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April 04, 2009 at 07:10 PM