



## Ronald E. "Gene" Watkins

December 4, 1938 - June 26, 2015

Ronald E. "Gene" Watkins, 76, of Urbana, died on Friday, June 26, 2015 in Springfield Regional Medical Center.

He was born December 4, 1938 in Champaign County, OH, a son of Granville S. and Lenore (Jenkins) Watkins. Gene was a graduate of North Lewisburg High School and retired from the Columbia Gas Company. He loved to fish, and enjoyed time spent at Indian Lake and in Florida. He was truly a wonderful man who simply loved life.

Survivors include his wife, Sarah Green Watkins; daughter Lori (Jon) Allen and grandchildren, Justin (Sara) Karg, Devlin Allen and Hannah Allen, all of Urbana, and Brooke Allen of Cincinnati, and great-granddaughter, Khloe Karg; son, Ron (Beth) Watkins and grandchildren Kurtis Watkins and Dillon Watkins, all of Urbana; stepdaughter Holly Cooper and her children Jerry Cooper and Mackenzie Cooper; stepdaughter Julie (Randy) Henson and their children Hannah Henson and Clark Henson; brother, Sherman (Delores) Watkins; sisters, Shirley Hess and Ilene Tussing; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by brother, Marvin Watkins; brothers-in-law, Ed Tussing and Alfred Hess; son-in-law, Randy Karg; stepson, Rob Green; and son-in-law, Randy Karg.

Family will receive friends from 1 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 2, 2015 in the WALTER & STOWE FUNERAL HOME, Urbana, where a Memorial Service will be held at 1:30 p.m. with Pastor Jim Lillibridge officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to a donor's choice in Gene's honor.

Condolences may be expressed to the family at [www.walterfunerals.com](http://www.walterfunerals.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 2. 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

Walter & Stowe Funeral Home  
642 South Main Street  
Urbana, OH 43078  
(937) 653-4227  
<http://www.walterfunerals.com>

## Memorial Service

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Sarah,

*So sorry for your unexpected loss. Gene was a "super" individual and will be sorely missed. Keep the faith and be thankful for all your friends that will help with your sorrow.*

*Rick & Connie Bull*

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**Rick & Connie Bull** - July 02, 2015 at 05:12 AM

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“ Amy Travis lit a candle in memory of Ronald E. "Gene" Watkins



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**Amy Travis** - July 01, 2015 at 06:53 PM

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*Uncle Gene was a very kind and quiet person. I enjoyed talking to you at family gatherings. You will be greatly missed.*

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**Amy Travis** - July 01, 2015 at 06:55 PM



“ Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Ronald E. "Gene" Watkins.



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June 30, 2015 at 10:39 AM

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“ Gene was always at every Holiday park Wed morning coffee would always sit at the same place and always greeted me with how you doing this morning I would say just fine Sam , for that was a joke that started with little Elivire calling him SAM We will miss him!  
Linda

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**Linda Streitenberger** - June 29, 2015 at 02:15 PM