



Rev. Gerald "Jerry" E. Huff, 84, Joplin, Mo., formerly of Carthage, Mo., passed away Tuesday, Sept. 13, 2011, at Spring River Christian Village, Joplin.

Gerald Ellis Huff was born Aug. 24, 1927, in Kearney, N.J., the son of Edward E. Huff and Marion E. (Green) Huff. He received his bachelors degree from Eastern Nazarene College, Quincy, Mass. and his masters degree from Mankato State University, Mankato, Minn.

He married Peggy L. DeVall on Dec. 5, 1945, in Elizabeth City, N.C.; she survives.

Mr. Huff was a U.S. Navy veteran during World War II serving aboard several U.S. Navy ships. He was a high school English teacher and a prison chaplain in New York state.

Rev. Huff and his wife served several Nazarene churches in New Jersey, Canada, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, California, Minnesota, Illinois and New York state. He was the pastor for the Free Methodist Church, Miller, Mo. from 2001 to 2009. He and his wife are current members of the Church of the Nazarene, Carthage.

Additional survivors include; a daughter, Ellen Hill, Carthage; three sons, Burchell Huff, Westbrook, Minn., James (Susan) Huff, Andover, Minn. and Donald Huff, Carthage; two brothers, Kent (Doris) Huff, Hatsboro, Pa. and Edward (Pat) Huff, Beech Mountain, N.C.; two granddaughters; one grandson; four great-granddaughters; and a sister-in-law, Betty Huff, Media, Pa. He was preceded in death by his parents and three brothers, Donald, Morton and Robert Huff.

Visitation will be held from 4 to 5:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 18, at Knell Mortuary, Carthage. Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m., Monday, Sept. 19, at the Church of the Nazarene, Carthage. Rev. Dustin Ledford will officiate.

Interment will be held at a later date.

Services are under the direction and personal care of Knell Mortuary, Carthage.

Memorial gifts are suggested to the Church of the Nazarene, Building Fund in care of Knell Mortuary, 308 West Chestnut, Carthage, MO, 64836, 417-358-2105.

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