



## Gene W. Shinn

October 21, 1925 - April 4, 2011

Gene W. Shinn, 85, of Huntsville, Arkansas, died April 4, 2011 at Meadowview Healthcare and Rehab in Huntsville, Arkansas. He was born October 21, 1925 at Saint Paul, Arkansas, the son of Clement Earl Shinn, Sr. and Mable Jewell White Shinn. He retired from the United States Marine Corps after more than twenty-three years of service and was a veteran of World War Two, the Korean War and the Vietnam War. After his retirement he owned and operated the Sears Catalog Store in Huntsville for twenty-five years. He was active in his community as an alderman on the Huntsville City Council, City Clerk, Mayor and Fire Chief. He served on many local boards and commissions including the Huntsville Memorial Hospital. He was a life member of Hayes-Smith Post #137, American Legion and Post #10,021, Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was preceded in death by his wife of fifty-seven years, Jean E. Montgomery Shinn on January 11, 2011. He was also preceded in death by two brothers and one sister-in-law, Earl Shinn, Jr. and Vera Reed Shinn and Harry F. Shinn and one brother-in-law, Jim Montgomery. Survivors include: one son and daughter-in-law, Randy and Deb Shinn of Huntsville, Arkansas; one grandson and granddaughter-in-law, Jeremy and Taci Shinn of Huntsville, Arkansas; one granddaughter and grandson-in-law, Jocelyn and Andy Sills of Farmington, Arkansas; one great-grandson, Weston Sills of Farmington, Arkansas; one great-granddaughter, Mallory Sills of Farmington, Arkansas; one brother-in-law and two sisters-in-law, David E. and Bev Harwood of Turlock, California and Pattie S. Shinn of Huntsville, Arkansas. Funeral

services will be held at 2:00 P. M. Thursday, April 7, in the chapel of Brashears Funeral Home with The Reverend Eldon Bagwell officiating. Interment will be in the Huntsville Cemetery under the direction of Brashears Funeral Home [www.brashearsfuneralhome.net](http://www.brashearsfuneralhome.net) of Huntsville, Arkansas. Pallbearers will be: Mikel Reed Shinn, Jeremy Shinn, Kevin Shinn, Andy Sills, Kim Tipton and Charles Hudgins. Honorary pallbearer will be Goddard Burkes. Memorials may be made to Harry F. Shinn Memorial Scholarship Fund in care of Pattie Shinn, 208 Cain Street, Huntsville, Arkansas 72740.

# Tribute Wall

LL

“ *randy. My heart goes out to you. You've been there for me so many times. Just now reading this love u & deb.*

Laberta Keck Lashley - May 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BD

“ *Randy, so very, very sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my prayers.*

Belinda W Davis - April 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ *So sorry for your loss.*

Betty L Worley - April 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this sad time. God Bless.*

Karla and Gerald Van Brunt - April 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ *We are so sorry to hear of your loss. We send our deepest condolences to your family.*

*Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.  
Matthew 5:4*

Steve and Nikki McGourty - April 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

GM

“ *Gene W. Shinn*

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**Garry & Kathleen Morris** - April 06, 2011 at 12:00 AM

WH

“ *Our condolences are sent to the family.*

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**Woodrow & Debra Harmon** - April 06, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ *Randy, Sorry to hear of your father's passing. Will keep you in my thoughts and prayers*

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**Bill Mason** - April 05, 2011 at 12:00 AM

VB

“ *We are so very sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

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**Vail, Wynonia & Colin Boller** - April 05, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

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**Jeff, Kelly, and AJ** - April 05, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time.*

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**Charlinda, Curtis and Caleb Reeves** - April 05, 2011 at 12:00 AM

GF

“ Randy and family-so sorry to hear about Gene. We have great memories of him on all our craft trips we made together. Our prayers and love are with you all.

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**Glenn and Shirley Frick** - April 05, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AH

“ Randy, each of you have my condolences and prayers during this time. Your dad will be missed. He was always so friendly and a pleasure to be around. God bless each of you,

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**Alvin Herrington** - April 05, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ Gene W. Shinn

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**BUTCH AND JOYE BOLINGER** - April 05, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JT

“ Randy & Deb, I am so sorry about Shinn, but you know that he is where he wants to be. I know it has got to be so hard after just losing your mom, to lose your dad as well. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. I loved you Shinn!  
Always, Judy

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**Judy Karnes Trimino** - April 05, 2011 at 12:00 AM