



James E. Hatt

May 7, 1934 - September 23, 2018

BREMEN-James E. Hatt, 84, passed from this life to his Heavenly home on September 23, 2018 in Bremen, IN.

Mr. Hatt was born May 7, 1934 in Loveland, OH to Louis "Bud" and Sarah (Owens) Hatt. On October 5, 1957, in Loveland, OH, he was married to Edna M. Morris.

Survivors include his three children, Sarah (Kevin) Napier of Midland, TX, Jonathan (Allyson) Hatt of Richmond Hill, Ontario, Canada and Mary (Dave) McQuaid of Greenville, SC; grandchildren, Scott (Robin) Napier, Kyle Napier, Johanna Hatt, Abagayil Hatt, Angharad Hatt, Caleb (Lynelle) McQuaid and Carson McQuaid; great-grandchild, Zoe Napier; sister, Gladys (Hank) Boerio; and brother, Earl (Missy) Hatt.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Edna; his parents; four brothers, Tody, Charles, John and Bobby; and three sisters, Patsy Linville, Ruth Ann Richards and Martha "Marty" Moses.

Mr. Hatt was a member of the First Baptist Church of North Liberty. He was a graduate of Baptist Bible College in Springfield, MO.

Pastor Hatt served the Lord faithfully as a Baptist minister in Vancouver, WA,

St. Petersburg, FL, Columbus, OH and Plymouth, IN. Later, he worked for Indiana Tool Co. (ITAMCO) in Plymouth.

Before moving to Bremen, he lived in Walkerton for eight years. For the last 15 months, Mr. Hatt has lived at The Whitlock in Bremen, IN. He was blessed with many wonderful new friends and was treated with love and kindness from the caring staff of The Whitlock. The family wishes to thank each one of them for being the hands and feet of Christ.

Funeral services will be Saturday, September 29, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. (Eastern Time) at the First Baptist Church of North Liberty with Pastor Wayne Joyner officiating. Burial will follow at the Woodlawn Cemetery, Walkerton. Friends may call Friday evening from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. EDT at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel and Saturday at the church one hour prior to the service. Memorial contributions may be given to the church or to The Whitlock in Bremen.

Cemetery Details

Woodlawn Cemetery

Industrial Park Drive and US 6
Walkerton, IN 46574

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **28**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Rannells Funeral Home - Koontz Lake Chapel
7984 N. State Road 23
Walkerton, IN 46574
(574) 586-2120
rannellsfh@mchsi.com
<https://www.rannellsfuneralhome.com>

Visitation

SEP **29**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church
407 W. Elm St.
North Liberty, IN

Service

SEP **29**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

MH

“ Sarah, Jonathan, Mary,
Your father was a gentle inspiration in my life. Many more than 20 years ago Edna and Jim graced our lives as members of Fitness Forum. I'm sure the exercise routine helped to keep your mom going, but their contribution to our lives was enormous. Despite disability Edna kept going, overcoming the obstacles. Your Dad always by her side, ever gentle, concerned, supportive, helpful; with love showing through brightly in their care for each other. They even agreed, at my request, to share with the community the physical, emotional, and spiritual challenges while living with disability following a stroke. What a blessing they were.
I attended your Mom's funeral and met all of you. Although I don't expect you to remember one face in the crowd, I want you to know that your parents left an indelible mark on my life and others they graced. You are blessed. We are blessed.
Mary Holm
LifePlex, Plymouth

Mary Holm - October 02, 2018 at 12:46 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of James E. Hatt.



September 27, 2018 at 08:06 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of James E. Hatt.*



September 26, 2018 at 03:39 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of James E. Hatt.*



September 26, 2018 at 02:11 PM



“ *Vivid Recollections was purchased for the family of James E. Hatt.*



September 26, 2018 at 11:39 AM



“ *Wolfenberger Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of James E. Hatt.*



Wolfenberger Family - September 26, 2018 at 08:41 AM

BM

“ Our most sincere sympathies for your family. Pastor hatt was my pastor for many years while he and his family were in Columbus. We attended the Westland baptist temple. I have such fond memories of both pastor hatt and mrs. hatt.



billie mcdowell - September 26, 2018 at 08:30 AM

MM

Billie, Thank you so very much. We appreciate your kindness and upholding us in prayer during this time. Sweet memories of Westland Baptist Temple and all the people there.

Mary McQuaid - September 27, 2018 at 10:20 AM

KW

“ Pastor Hatt was our family Pastor while in Columbus, OH for more years than I can remember. I grew up thinking he was stern and tough, but new he had a humorous side to him too. I still to this day remember the song he used to jingle out/ taught us, Goes something like... "mares eat oats and does eat oats, and little lambs eat ivy, a kid el eat ivy too wouldn't you.." He used to chuckle after singing it. Lots of good memories. Till we meet again. What a glorious day that will be.

K Wolfenberger - September 26, 2018 at 07:51 AM

KW

<https://youtu.be/rnXRtqzuUoA>

K Wolfenberger - September 26, 2018 at 08:07 AM

MM

Kim, Thank You so very much for sharing your memory. I had forgotten that my dad sang that song. It was definitely a sweet memory this morning. We love you and your family. Thank you for thinking of us. ❤️

Mary McQuaid - September 27, 2018 at 10:13 AM

LS

“ Our deepest sympathy to your family in the loss of your dad. He was a wonderful, kind gentleman who definitely left his footprint on this earth. We have made a donation to the church in his memory.
Neil & Linda Strawser, Jennifer Martin & Family.

linda strawser - September 26, 2018 at 06:57 AM

MM

Thank you so very much Neil and Linda. He loved you all and was so proud to be your uncle. Thank you so much for your donation to the church. He would have loved that you did that. We love you all so much. Mary

Mary McQuaid - September 27, 2018 at 05:53 PM

JH

“ *Mr Hatt and I were close friends for a long time and we Ministered together at First Baptist Church In Walkerton before he moved to Bremen.
He was a close friend and older brother in Christ to me and even a mentor.
We had many long conversations together and I respected him immensely, I admired his courage as I watched his steadfast faith in difficult situations. I leaned on him when I first discovered I had cancer and he leaned on me as we visited his dear wife Edna in the hospital just before and in the months after she passed. I know that they are together now in heaven physically, spiritually, and emotionally whole. Even though we drifted apart after he moved he was in my thoughts and prayers. I will miss him greatly.*

James Hartley - September 26, 2018 at 12:00 AM

MM

Thank you so much for being my dad's friend. He talked fondly of you and valued your friendship. We so appreciate everything you did for my dad. Thank you for upholding us in your prayers.

Mary McQuaid - September 27, 2018 at 06:04 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of James E. Hatt.*



September 25, 2018 at 09:59 PM



“ *Earl Hatt lit a candle in memory of James E. Hatt*



Earl Hatt - September 25, 2018 at 09:29 PM