



Mr. Henry P. Hampton

July 25, 1945 - March 17, 2026

Henry Phillip “Brother” Hampton was born on July 25, 1945, in St. Louis, Missouri, to Rosie M. Glenn and Cornell J. Hampton, Sr. He was wrapped in God’s loving embrace and entered eternal rest on March 17, 2026, leaving behind a beautiful legacy of love, laughter, generosity, and faithful service. He was preceded in death by his parents; his siblings, Cornell Hampton, Jr., Robert Carl, Henry Nokomas Holmes (Gloria), James Holmes, Glenn Holmes, Virginia Washington, and Mary Medley; his beloved son, Timothy Hampton (Mary); and his cherished grandson, Marcus Gardner, Jr.

Henry received his early education in Newport, Arkansas, where he attended Branch High School. Upon graduation, he proudly answered the call to serve his country by joining the United States Army Reserves. He was stationed at Fort Campbell, Kentucky, where he served as a Field Communications Crewman with HHC 931st Engineer GP (C). During his military service, including his service in the Vietnam War, Henry earned several commendations, including the Expert Badge (Rifle M-14), the Marksman Badge (Rifle M-1), and the National Defense Service Medal. He was honorably discharged in 1969, having served with courage and dedication.

A man committed to growth and providing for his family, Henry later earned a Professional Tractor Trailer Operator Diploma from Ryder Technical Institute in Atlanta, Georgia, in 1974. Earlier, in 1970, he received his Radio Telephone

Third Class Operator Permit from the United States of America Federal Communications Commission. In 1992, he began working at the Potomac Edison Company in Hagerstown, Maryland, where he served as a Maintenance Mechanic A. After years of dedicated work, he eventually returned home to Kansas City, Missouri, then relocated to Alton, Illinois. He was a faithful member of Greater Alton Seventh-day Adventist Church. Henry was a devoted Christian who demonstrated his faith walk daily in his love for Jesus Christ and in the kindness he showed to others.

Affectionately known as “Hamp” by his classmates, “Brother” by many who loved him, and “Pops” to his family, Henry was known for his quick wit, natural charm, and generous heart. He valued lifelong friendships and made it a priority to attend the Class of 1963 reunions whenever he could. He loved staying connected, often spending hours on the phone sharing stories, laughter, wisdom, and encouragement with those he cared about. Wherever Henry went, joy followed. His humor, funny sayings, and vibrant personality could light up any room and bring smiles to all who were present.

Henry also found peace and happiness in fishing. Whether sitting quietly by the water or sharing stories about his latest catch, he treasured the calm moments outdoors and the fellowship that came with them.

His spirit of giving was evident to all who knew him. During the holiday season, he delighted in spreading cheer by handing out money to strangers in stores — small but meaningful gestures meant to brighten someone’s day and remind them they were seen and valued. He loved deeply, lived joyfully, and left lasting impressions on the hearts of many.

He leaves to cherish his loving memory his children: Kimberly Alonzo of Liberty, Missouri; Joey Hampton (Georgette) of Asheville, North Carolina; and Michael Hampton (Karen) of Hagerstown, Maryland. He is also survived by his

sisters: Margrete Ruth Hatchett of District Heights, Maryland; Edythe Tobias of Alton, Illinois; and Monica McFadden of Hazelwood, Missouri; and his brothers: Reginald Hampton (Regina) of Little Rock, Arkansas; Eddie Hiawatha Holmes of Alton, Illinois; Eddie Holmes, Jr. of Brinkley, Arkansas and Tecumshea Holmes (Kathleen) of Edwardsville, Illinois. He leaves seven grandchildren and thirteen great-grandchildren, along with a host of special nephews, nieces, cousins, and dear friends who will continue to cherish his memory and carry his legacy forward.

Henry Phillip "Brother" Hampton will forever be remembered as a loving father, devoted family man, proud veteran, loyal friend, and a man whose laughter, kindness, and generosity made the world brighter. Though he has entered eternal rest, the love he gave so freely will live on in the hearts and lives of all who were blessed to know him

Cemetery Details

Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 2. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Cathy M. Williams & Sons Funeral Home LLC
1695 Oakwood Ave
Alton, IL 62002
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Service

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Graveside

APR 2 (CT)

Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery
2900 Sheridan Rd
St. Louis, MO 63125-4198
(314) 845-8320

Tribute Wall



“ 5 files added to the album Memories Album



Cathy M Williams & Sons FH - March 26 at 04:10 PM

JB

“ It was always a joy to be in the presence of our friend, Hamp. Never a dull moment even in telephone conversations. He will truly be missed. Love, hugs, and prayers for his family. Jerry & Gwen Brandon - Newport, Arkansas

Jerry & Gwen Brandon - March 23 at 07:32 PM

KO

*Hamp was a dear friend and I will miss our phone conversations
Kathleen Oates. Little Rock, A*

Kathleen Oates - April 19 at 01:23 PM

CJ

“ Phil was full of joy to his classmates and friends. I will truly miss my classmate of 1963, W.F. branch High School, Newport, Arkansas. Peace and prayers to the family and friends. Your Classmate, Charlotte Ann Mays James



Charlotte James - March 20 at 11:52 AM

SC

“Hamp” as we affectionately called him, was always full of life!!! Wherever a beautiful soul has been, there is a trail of beautiful memories. Family, when your heart yearns for the one you have lost, find comfort in the memories that hold the essence of their being.
Sharon Ann Byrd Collins
Birmingham, Alabama

Sharon Byrd Collins - March 20 at 10:45 AM

LK

“ Sending my heartfelt sympathies to Mr. Phil’s family. He was a very special person and will be missed by many. Rest in peace and paradise (Laurie at Dialysis)



laurie kraushaar - March 19 at 10:29 PM

KO

I will miss my friend and school mate, the talks we had. My sincere condolences to his family and friends. Kathleen Oates

Kathleen Oates - March 22 at 01:31 PM



*Rest in Peace class mate my condolences to his family.Johnny Green .
Chicago ill.*

johnny Green - March 22 at 10:30 PM