



Glenn Frederick Farring

October 14, 1935 - March 13, 2023

Glenn Frederick Farring was born October 14, 1935, the first of four children born to Ruth Ellen and George Farring, and graduated to his eternal home on March 13, 2023.

Knowing God and serving God was central in Glenn's life. Raised in a God loving home Glenn was encouraged to memorize many verses, which he quoted often. Psalm 92:1-2 before each dinner became a family ritual that all could chime in on. Serving his Lord was paramount in his life. He was an ordained Deacon, a Bible teacher, and held various roles within the church. He truly personified his faith and everyone that knew him, knew he was a child of Christ.

Family was very important to Glenn and he and Barb would attend as many functions as they could, including sporting events, musicals, recitals, school or church gatherings for his girls as well as his six grandchildren. His booming voice was always heard over the crowd, cheering and encouraging. His inclusive encouragement branched beyond his children and grandchildren to each of their teammates and friends. He was generous not only in heart and spirit, but also in action. He could always lighten the atmosphere with a rhyme or a pun.

Following the passing of his mother in 1947, his father met and remarried

Miss Edith Watt. Having difficulty handling four children, the family made the decision to enroll Glenn at Ben Lippen School in Ashville, NC. This is where the family had previously attended various mission conferences. Glenn thrived at Ben Lippen, graduating with honors. Following high school graduation, Glenn and three close friends headed to CA where they did mission work prior to entering Wayland Baptist College in the Fall. In 1957 Glenn graduated from Wayland Baptist University.

During summers, while in college, Glenn worked for the US Forest Service on a Fire Suppression crew. Following college Glenn went to the Northwest and made connections through his Uncle Bob, George's twin brother, to work and explore opportunities for employment. During that summer Glenn attended First Southern Baptist Church in Portland, OR and there he met Barbara Burkett, who had just returned from her first year at Oklahoma Baptist University. It was love at first sight; they courted, played tennis, churned homemade ice cream for youth socials, and enjoyed family time with the Burkett family. That summer he received his letter from Uncle Sam that the US Army wanted to have him with them. Long distance courtship ensued, Barbara returning to OBU. April 1960 Glenn and Barbara married and moved to Ft. Carson, CO for a month prior to Glenn's discharge from the Army. Determined for Barbara to finish her college career, Glenn and Barbara moved to Corvallis, OR where both attended classes. Following Barbara's graduation, Glenn again sought work with the US Forest Service. Initially, Glenn continued with fire-fighting, then moved into data processing. Promotional moves took them to Washington DC, Fort Collins, CO, back to Washington DC and again Fort Collins. Colorado had claimed their hearts. Following retirement from USFS and moving to Littleton, Glenn worked for the Colorado Rockies until his health determined he should really retire.

Glenn is survived by his wife of almost 63 years, Barbara, sister Mollie Lilley, daughter Elizabeth Hanson and daughter Patricia Hoyer (Craig). Proud

Granddad to Logan O'Neal (Collin), Nathan Hoyer (Cassidi), Ryan Hanson, Brooke Hanson, Warren Hanson, Corey Hoyer and great-grandson Caden. Preceded in death by his parents, George Farring, Ruth Ellen Farring and Edith Farring, his brother Jim Farring (Mary Lou), sister Pearl Farring, twin brothers-in-law Roy (Cheryl) and Gordon (Terry) Burkett, brother-in-law Jeff Lilley and son-in-law Robert Hanson.

A memorial service will be held 2 pm, Saturday, April 8, 2023 at Ken Caryl church, 8395 W. Ken Caryl Ave., Littleton, CO.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Gideon Organization or Ken Caryl Church.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

APR 8. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (MT)

Ken Caryl Church
8395 W. Ken Caryl Ave.
Littleton, CO 80128

Tribute Wall

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“ My husband and I met Glenn in Portland. I was the matron of honor at Barbara and Glenn’s wedding in 1960. Over the years we stayed in touch even though many miles separated us. In 2010, we flew to Denver to surprise them on their 50th anniversary. We were blessed to be friends with Glenn and Barbara.

Dodie Mills - January 06, 2025 at 06:52 PM

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“ I met and worked with Glen at the Fort Collins Computer Center in the 70's. Every time I met or talked with Glen I came away with a smile on my face – he had that effect on folks.

I can't remember how we got to talking about pancakes, but I ended up getting the original Glenn Farring "Sourdough Pancake Recipe". He even gave me start, which I kept going until I went overseas in 1980. The recipe is an authentic handwritten copy, very greasy, with his signature. I used it many times at demonstration cooking in companies I worked at. I even one a contest with his recipe. And yes, he became sort of infamous in certain circles.

I still make pancakes using his recipe as daughters and grandkids love them – doing so brings a smile to my face just like it did when I worked with him.

When he moved to Denver, I remember seeing Glenn at Denver Nugget games in old McNichols arena. He never changed – he was positive, happy and had the same effect as before.

He was a good man from every perspective.

Ken Lini - April 24, 2023 at 01:52 PM

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“ I worked with Glenn at USDA's Fort Collins Computer Center, User Services.

Glenn always had a smile and some quip to brighten the day. I remember when one of the younger team members would do something bordering on the resque', he would touch his chest and say "Oh my heart" and smile.

He was one of a few that stopped by to wish me and my family well as we were moving to Saudi Arabia. Our discussions about the differences and commonalities of different religions was enlightening and helped calm my nerves about taking that adventure.

Glenn was truly a Good Man.
It was an honor to know and work with him.

Dave Love

Dave Love - April 24, 2023 at 12:09 PM