



## Mr. Armour Hays

November 29, 1922 - December 13, 2014

Funeral services for Mr. Armour Hays, 92, of Laneville, will be held at 2 pm on Wednesday, December 17, 2014 in the chapel of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home. Interment will follow at Laneville Cemetery under the direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home.

The family will receive friends from 6-8 pm on Tuesday, December 16 at the funeral home.

Mr. Hays passed from this life on December 13, 2014 in Tyler. He was born November 29, 1922 in Laneville to the late Herman and Annie Phillips Hays. Armour served his country during World War II in the Army Air Corps as a flight officer. He later became a teacher and coach and was employed by Carlisle, Laneville, and Leveretts Chapel ISD. Mr. Hays was a member of First Baptist Church of Laneville.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by: wife, Peggy LePelley Hays; son, Jory Kyle Hays; and Jo Nita's mother, Meri Joyce Blair.

Survivors include: daughter, Jo Nita Knight of Bay City; grandchildren, Shawn Norman Wimberly, Louis Meyer Falk, Brian Hays Knight, and Haysley Syanne Alison; and niece, Debra Joyce York of Tyler.

Pallbearers will be Jack LePelley Jr., Gary Johnson, James Donald Bryan, Bobby Pirtle, Phil Pirtle, and Larry Martin. Honorary pallbearers will be Mervin Brady and Jess Hamilton.

Words of comfort may be shared with the family at [www.crawfordacrim.com](http://www.crawfordacrim.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Laneville Cemetery

13189 FM 225 S  
Laneville, TX 75667

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 16. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Crawford A. Crim Funeral Home  
1414 South Main Street  
Henderson, TX 75654

## Service

DEC 17. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

AM

“ Amy Miley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Armour Hays



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Amy Miley - December 16, 2014 at 08:11 PM

RL

“ Jo Nita, Beth and I loved your Dad so much and we always tried to stay in contact with him whenever we could. Coach would always just drop by our house on Wednesday while on his way to Red Lobster. We had him over on Thanksgiving 2013 and we enjoyed his company so much. I have always loved your family and will miss Coach so much. He will always be in my heart. If anything we can do let us know.

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randy lewis - December 16, 2014 at 04:07 PM

JF

“ Coach Hays was my math teacher in junior high. He also taught us driver's education in 9th grade. You did not want to come to class without your textbook--an automatic lick with his paddle. He was a very good teacher and lots of fun. Everybody was happy when he married Peggy. I think he kept up with everyone he ever taught and never lost his concern for us. Those were really good years.

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Jo Freeman - December 16, 2014 at 02:07 PM

DW

“ I thought so much of him. He was an amazing teacher and person. My sympathy for his family and friends.

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**Donna Childress Waldrup** - December 15, 2014 at 10:57 PM

BB

“ So glad to see Armour the other night. I hugged him and told him I loved him and he said that meant so much to him. So many great memories as he and Daddy were always so close. Will miss your hugs. GOD BLESS YOU. Brenda Chapman Barton

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**Brenda C Barton** - December 15, 2014 at 10:41 PM

BB

“ Coach Hays came to Leverett's Chapel around 1970 as Asst. Football Coach and head boys basketball coach. He and Dad and Jimmy Killion enjoyed quail hunting together. He taught history and as I entered high school, he brought back the golf team and we made 3 trips to the state tournament.

We always went to the regional and state basketball tournaments as a large group. We had so much fun together. I saw Coach Hays when I would officiate basketball games at Laneville and I went to visit him just last month in the nursing home. We talked about aviation and he told me of his days in the Army Air Corp.

Coach Hays will be missed here but my memories of him and our times together will stay with me. My deepest condolences to his daughter and his family.

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**Barry Barnett** - December 15, 2014 at 09:54 PM

PB

“ Coach Hays was my math teacher in 6th, 7th and 8th grade at Carlisle. I think everyone loved him. It was so nice when he met Peggy and they married. That match just completed him. I doubt one could find anyone who would say a harsh word about Coach Hays. He was loved!!

Patsy Franklin Bolton - December 15, 2014 at 01:02 PM

SR

“ I talked and visited with Armour a few months ago and it amazed me how SHARP he still was and still just as funny in his own way. I can just seeing him in his go-kart on the old track there in Laneville.....and never in too much of a big hurry! I'm sure Armour and my dad had a lot of catching up to do once they met again recently, as their stories were so much fun to listen to when I was growing up.....and listening to Peggy laugh at the same time. Armour will truly be missed and my sincere condolences to his family.



Suzanne Reed - December 14, 2014 at 08:00 PM

RA

We thought the world of Coach Hays. He was a coach/teacher, at Carlisle, when we were in school. He did not teach or coach either of us, but we loved him dearly and we certainly hope that many attended his visitation. He was so faithful to do so. Illness prevents us from being at his service. Hope there's a golf course in Heaven. We'll miss you, sweet Coach Hays.

Ramona Arledge - December 16, 2014 at 09:38 PM