



## Mr. Gene Tatum

November 23, 1928 - October 12, 2022

Graveside services for Mr. Gene Tatum, 93, of Tatum, will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 15, 2022, under the pavilion at Tatum Cemetery with Bro. George Conway officiating. Interment will follow under the direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home.

The family will receive friends from 1:00 p.m. until service time on Saturday, at the cemetery.

Mr. Tatum passed from this life on October 12, 2022, at Arbor Grace in Kilgore. He was born November 13, 1928, in Rusk County to the late Raymond and Willie Clyde (Stowe) Tatum and lived most of his life in Tatum. Gene graduated from Tatum High School and went on to serve his country in the United States Army Air Corps during World War II. Mr. Tatum was a gifted athlete, and while in the service, he picked up amateur boxing and would go on to play baseball for the Washington Senators farm team. Early in his career, Gene was a general contractor. He would go on to own and operate his own acoustical construction business, Gene A. Tatum Company in Longview, did some flooring, and later built steel buildings. Mr. Tatum worked all over the country getting Wal-Mart stores ready to open. In his spare time, Gene had a passion for the outdoors and loved to hunt and fish.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his granddaughter

Rona Harrison, and a brother Billy Ray Tatum.

Survivors include his children, Charlotte Lockridge of Tatum, and Mike Tatum and wife Bobbie of Henderson; grandchildren, Jason Lockridge and wife Amber of Carlisle, Shane Tatum and wife Andi of Bullard, and Cody Tatum and wife Amy of Liberty City; great-grandchildren, Tristian, Jaycee, Colton, Hunter, Gabe, Anna, Morgan, Camryn, and Jakob; great-great-grandchildren, Karly, Meri Jo, and 1 on the way; special nephew, Billy Tatum and wife Pat; as well as a host of other family and friends.

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

# Cemetery Details

## Tatum City Cemetery

Forest  
Tatum, TX 75691

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 15. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Tatum City Cemetery  
Forest  
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## Graveside

OCT 15. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

PA

“ I met Gene about 30 yrs ago we met in Ashville N.C. I was with a friend of his from back in the Viet Nam days. He gave me a couple of his books which I misplaced. I will have to reorder some day. In the mean time you have my sympathy, he seemed like a real pleasant person.

Paul Santa Ashby - October 19, 2023 at 01:44 PM

PS

“ Prayers for peace and comfort during this time.

Bob & Peggy Silvey



Peggy Silvey - October 22, 2022 at 12:31 AM



“ Donna Aaron lit a candle in memory of Gene Tatum



Donna Aaron - October 18, 2022 at 12:27 AM

DF

“ Diane Flanagan lit a candle in memory of Gene Tatum



Diane Flanagan - October 16, 2022 at 08:11 PM

MW

“ Mike Walters lit a candle in memory of Gene Tatum



Mike Walters - October 15, 2022 at 09:54 PM

AM

“ Amy Miley-Payne lit a candle in memory of Gene Tatum



Amy Miley-Payne - October 15, 2022 at 09:39 PM

DG

“ Doyle/Nancy Graham lit a candle in memory of Gene Tatum



Doyle/Nancy Graham - October 13, 2022 at 08:37 PM



“ prayers for your family. May aGod till you with His comfort in the days ahead. Stephanie Green Osteen

Stephanie Osteen - October 13, 2022 at 07:56 PM

CS

“ *Sending our sincere condolences.  
Craig and Paula Sweeney*



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**craig Paula Sweeney** - October 13, 2022 at 04:21 PM

DD

“ *Dixie Duncan lit a candle in memory of Gene  
Tatum*



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**Dixie Duncan** - October 13, 2022 at 09:43 AM

PD

“ *Pat Davis lit a candle in memory of Gene  
Tatum*



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**Pat Davis** - October 13, 2022 at 09:33 AM

MA

“ *Praying for comfort and peace for Charlotte  
and the family*



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**Merlene Ainsworth** - October 13, 2022 at 12:13 AM

AL

“ *My prayers are going up for all of you! I have so many happy memories of Gene from my youth. He always made me smile! God Bless y'all!* ”



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**Annette Lochridge** - October 12, 2022 at 01:39 PM

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“ *Carl Diana Smith lit a candle in memory of Gene Tatum* ”



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**Carl & Diana Smith** - October 12, 2022 at 01:07 PM