



Harry R. Himes

May 10, 1912 - September 7, 2010

Harry R. Himes, 98, of Benton Harbor died Tuesday, September 07, 2010, at the Willows in St. Joseph.

Services celebrating his life will be held at 2 PM Monday, September 13, at the Dey-Florin Chapel of Florin Funeral Service in St. Joseph. Burial will follow in North Shore Memory Gardens. The family will receive friends and relatives from 2 PM to 5 PM on Sunday at the Dey-Florin Chapel. Memorials may be made to Hospice at Home or the Berrien County Animal Control Shelter. To share memories and photos, visit www.florin.net

Harry was born on May 10, 1912 in New Philadelphia, OH to Herman and Elva Himes. Harry was the Regional Manager for Butterfield Theaters and he retired 1982 after 40 years of employment. He was also the manager of the Liberty Theater in Benton Harbor for 25 years. Harry was an active member of the Methodist Peace Temple in Benton Harbor and a high school Sunday School teacher for many years. He was a member of the Sandusky, OH, Masonic Lodge, No. 50, F. and A.M., for over 60 years. He was also a volunteer at the St. Joseph Library and had been a member of the Mercy Hospital Auxiliary. Harry's hobby was fishing and making fishing flies. When he was not doing anything else Harry always had a book in his hands.

He is survived by his wife, Grace; his children, Rich (Diane) Himes of Coloma

and Carol (Larry) Curneal of Traverse City, MI; his stepchildren, Esther Ames of Tucson, AZ and Bruce (Kathy) Ames of Apache Junction, AZ; his 14 grandchildren; 16 great grandchildren and 1 great great grandchild. He was preceded in death by a brother, Jack Himes, his first wife, Jessie Ruthsatz Himes and a step daughter, Audrey Warnekros.

Cemetery Details

North Shore Memory Gardens

5027 M 63 N
Coloma, MI 49038

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **12**. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Dey-Florin Chapel of Florin Funeral Service - Closed 2013
2506 Niles Avenue
St. Joseph, MI 49085
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Service

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Tribute Wall

RC

“ *The summer of 1960. I was one of the doormen who took tickets at the Liberty Theater, set up movie promo displays in the lobby, delivered coming attraction window cards to downtown merchants and did just about anything else that was needed. It was my first job and Harry Himes was one of the best people to work for. He was always upbeat. He was honest and caring about his employees and the audience. He really cared about how a movie was presented. Every showing was an event. Thank you Harry.*

Rod Caszatt - December 17, 2010 at 01:26 PM

CC

“ *I remember Mr. Himes as my first employer. He hired me as an usher at the Liberty, and was such a kind, encouraging, understanding man. I have never forgotten him. My sympathy to all of his family.*
Claudean Cupp Chick

Claudean Chick - September 13, 2010 at 10:11 AM

SG


“ *I remember Harry as one of the MOST significant forces in my early education. His bright spirit, his wit and intelligence infected our Sunday School group at the Peace Temple. We discussed, argued---in an atmosphere of acceptance and encouragement to always question, always search, and be true to our beliefs. I think of him often, always with a smile, always challenging those around him to become the best they can be. My sympathy for your loss, my thanks to Harry.*

Sharon Gillette - September 13, 2010 at 10:05 AM

AC

“ Grandpa Harry is someone that you could never forget. His smile was infectious and you couldn't but be happy when you were around him. I know I will never forget the great big hugs he always gave me every time he saw me or the holiday dinners:) You will truly be missed! My love and condolences to the Himes family in the dark hour.

Amanda Collins - September 12, 2010 at 10:59 AM


Rebeca
Scott

“ We will alway love you Grandpa! We'll see you again!



Rebeca Scott - September 12, 2010 at 10:03 AM

BV

“ Brian & Connie (Eaman) VandePolder sent a virtual gift in memory of Harry R. Himes



Brian & Connie (Eaman) VandePolder - September 11, 2010 at 08:09 PM

BV

“ We both extend our sympathy for your loss. Harry was a great mentor for hundreds of teens over the decades he led Sr High Sunday School at Peace Temple. I often was walking our dog in late evening with my father and we would wave as he passed by on his way home from the Liberty Theater.

When he would see us come to the window to buy movie tickets, he would say to the cashier "That is 2 adults, not 1 adult and 1 child.

He read his bible daily and challenged others to do the same,

Brian & Connie (Eaman) VandePolder - September 11, 2010 at 08:08 PM

VF

“ Our sympathies, Grace. We wish you all well.

Vance Fisher - September 10, 2010 at 02:51 PM

MI

“ AS A KID i REMEBER MR HIMES, HE WAS ALWAYS IN THE LOBBY GREETING, TRULY AN ICON OF THEATER ERA

MIKE - September 10, 2010 at 08:35 AM

AH

“ 27 years of memories...I can't pick just one!!
Love you Grandpa!!!



Angie Himes - September 09, 2010 at 02:40 PM