



Vearl "Skeets" Pennington

February 20, 1939 - September 2, 2024

Vearl Raymond "Skeets" Pennington passed away peacefully on September 2, 2024, at his home in Frankfort, Ky. He was 85 years of age.

Skeets was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, on February 20, 1939. He is survived by many loving family members, including lifelong companion of 25 years, Judy Maynard; daughter, Ashley Gomez; son, Scott Pennington; grandsons, Axel and Aiden; and son-in-law, Aldo Gomez. He is also survived by Rhonda Whitten, Julie Palmore, and Doug Hamons who loved him very much.

Skeets enjoyed a very full life. He began playing music when he was only 4 years old. From there he went on to play for the rest of his life in many orchestras, bands, and played for a time in New York City at Rockefeller Center and other night clubs in the city. He was an accomplished musician who played many instruments. He also received degrees from Transylvania University, Morehead University, and University of Kentucky. He had many friends, and was known to be a very generous person who shared his many talents. He has encouraged many musicians with his love of music. Skeets was a member of Hiram Lodge #4 F&AM and was a Shriner in both Lexington and Louisville. He always had a smile, no matter what barriers were thrown against him.

Services will be at Harrod Brothers Funeral Home, 312 Washington Street,

Frankfort, KY on Friday, September 6, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. with Dr. Dan Jackson officiating. Burial will follow at Frankfort Cemetery. Visitation will be at Harrod Brothers Funeral Home from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. on Friday. Masonic Rites will be observed by the Hiram Lodge #4 F&AM beginning at 10:00 a.m. on Friday. Open Lodge will begin at 9:30 a.m.

Flowers are welcome and expressions of sympathy may be made to the American Lung Association.

Arrangements are under the direction of Harrod Brothers Funeral Home & Crematory.

Cemetery Details

Frankfort Cemetery

215 East Main Street
Frankfort, KY 40601
(502) 227-2403

Previous Events

Masonic Rites

SEP 6. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

DW

“ It was my honor to have met and cut Vearl's hair the last couple of years. He was a very entertaining man. Loved his stories and humor very much. Sorry for your loss of a very kind and talented man.

David Watts - September 06, 2024 at 11:53 AM

JC

“ I am so blessed to have been associated with Vearl! what a great human being, caring, generous, talented, friend to many. I never heard one negative word about this guy. We were currently working on songs for me to sing. Just think at my age he was still encouraging me to go for it. I loved all his music. I once ask him how many songs he knew. He said about 200,000. If he ever heard a song he never forgot it. May you Rest In Peace, dear friend. Comfort to his family.

Judy McBrayer Campbell - September 05, 2024 at 06:35 PM

KA

“ Karla purchased the Garden Accent - "Gone yet not forgotten..." for the family of Vearl "Skeets" Pennington.



Karla - September 05, 2024 at 10:39 AM



“ 38 files added to the album Life Tributes



Harrod Brothers Funeral Home - September 05, 2024 at 10:32 AM

JW

What a life. What a contribution he gave to all who knew him.

James Wilson - September 05, 2024 at 06:57 PM



“ 21 files added to the album Life Tributes



Harrod Brothers Funeral Home - September 04, 2024 at 12:20 PM

TW

Such memorable images of an unforgettable soul.

Terry Wild - September 04, 2024 at 04:52 PM

WB

“ *Our Deepest Condolences! So sorry Ashley & family. Prayers for comfort.*



Walter and Shella Bailey - September 04, 2024 at 09:33 AM

SG

“ *Vearl's intellect, kindness, wit, generosity, humanity, and talent made the world a better place. Fly high old friend. We will miss you*

Sharon Geiger - September 04, 2024 at 05:36 AM

AG

“ *Had a lot of laughs, So sorry Judy and family*



Ann G,Coyle - September 03, 2024 at 11:05 PM