



## Eugene Edwin Miston, Sr.

June 7, 1931 - February 18, 2019

Eugene Edwin "Gene" Miston Sr. aged 87 of Fountain passed away on Monday, February 18, 2019. Gene was born on June 7, 1931 in Benton Harbor, the son of Claude and Mildred (Lehman) Miston and served his country during the Korean Conflict with the United States Navy. On September 23, 1954 he married Lavonda Young in Fennville and they have celebrated 64 years together.

Following his service, Gene returned to the Benton Harbor area where he served as a Firefighter for Benton Harbor for over 25 years, retiring in 1979 as a Lieutenant. Gene loved to work on and repair small engines so he started Miston Mower Service in Benton Harbor following his retirement, a service his brother still operates today. Following their move up north to Mason County, Gene was able to enjoy his love of fishing and hunting while still finding time to tinker with small engine repair, odd jobs, and gardening. He always looked for ways to help a friend and truly enjoyed life to its fullest. His greatest love was reserved for his family; especially the grandkids who he like to take for rides on his pontoon boat called "the Ark."

Gene was preceded in death by his parents and his siblings Robert Miston, Barbara Kent, and Carol Ann Atwood. He will be greatly missed by his beloved wife Lavonda, his sons Eugene Jr. and wife Shannan of Branch, Michael and wife Connie of Stevensville, and Kenneth also of Stevensville; his grandchildren Eugene III, Ryan, Keri, Zachary, and Kayla; his sister Joan Lichnerowicz and brother Carl Miston both of Hartford, and several nieces and

nephews.

Funeral services will be held for Gene at 10:00 am on Monday, February 25 at the Bachelor Evangelical Covenant Church in Fountain. Graveside services will be held at 3:00 pm on Monday at North Shores Memory Gardens in Coloma. Friends may meet with his family for a time of visitation on Sunday evening from 6:00 - 8:00 pm at Wyman Funeral & Cremation Services in Scottville. Those who wish to make a memorial donation are asked to make them to Gene's family for future consideration.

# Cemetery Details

## North Shore Memory Gardens

5027 M-63 Highway  
Coloma, MI 49038

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **24**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wyman Funeral & Cremation Services  
305 East State Street  
Scottville, MI 49454

## Funeral Service

FEB **25**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Bachelor Evangelical Covenant Church  
5940 East Sugar Grove Road  
Fountain, MI 49410

## Graveside Service

FEB **25**. 3:00 PM - 3:15 PM (ET)

North Shore Memory Gardens  
5027 M-63 Highway  
Coloma, MI 49038



# Tribute Wall

CH

“ *Uncle gene, you will be truly missed. I have not seen you or aunt Lavanda Since 1996. May you rest in the arms of the lord. My prayers to the family. Cheri young- higgs*

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**cheri young higgs** - March 02, 2019 at 08:25 PM

WR

“ *Dear Miston family, I'm so very sorry to hear of the loss of Gene. My family and I have so many wonderful memories; from coming to visit at your home in Stevensville, hunting and Thanksgivings shared at the cabin to swimming at the lake. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. May the many wonderful memories bring you comfort through this most difficult time. Love, Wendy Jackson Rhodes*



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**Wendy Rhodes** - February 24, 2019 at 02:45 PM

JL

“ *Joshua Lichnerowicz lit a candle in memory of Eugene Edwin Miston, Sr.*



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**Joshua Lichnerowicz** - February 23, 2019 at 03:32 PM

KM

“ Dear Lavanda,  
Ken & I have you and your family in our hearts and prayers. We know what its like to lose a loved one.  
Gods blessings to you,

Ken & Bonnie McKeown

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**kenneth & Bonnie McKeown** - February 22, 2019 at 02:00 PM

BB

“ Thoughts and prayers to the Miston family. Always enjoyed our fishing trips and talks about hunting , fishing and wrestling. I will always cherish these memories.

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**Bruce Bittenbender** - February 21, 2019 at 07:58 PM

RI

“ I was so very sorry to read of Gene's passing. He and his family lived next door to me when I was growing up in St. Joseph. His love for the outdoors, fishing and hunting were truly an inspiration to me as a young boy. I still have a mule deer rack that Gene gave me. I grew up to be an avid hunter and bass fisherman and have Gene to thank for that. My condolences to the family. Praying for your comfort.  
Rick LaSota



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**Rick** - February 21, 2019 at 04:27 PM

GR

“ Uncle Gene will truly be missed. Such a fun uncle! So sorry we can't make the services. You all are in our thoughts and prayers. ❤️🙏❤️

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**Greg and Roxane** - February 20, 2019 at 06:20 PM

LF

“ Love--The Mike Davis Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Eugene Edwin Miston, Sr..



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**Love--The Mike Davis Family** - February 20, 2019 at 04:37 PM


JR

“ LaVonda so very sorry for your loss. Please accept our most sincere condolences in the loss of Gene... May God hold you in his arms while you grieve this great loss. Blessings,  
James & Ruth Ann Ricketts



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**James & Ruth Ann Ricketts** - February 20, 2019 at 01:19 PM

  
Melissa  
Harvey

“ We are so very sorry to hear that Gene has passed, he was always such a joy and made our entire family feel like "family" Please know that you are in our prayers during this sad time. Love you All, The Harvey Family.



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**Melissa Harvey** - February 20, 2019 at 09:26 AM

BH

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. Great neighbors that produced many great memories. Remember the Ark, the John Deere stories and fishing techniques. All the greatest things on this earth but knowing Gene is in a much better place is comforting.

*Brian and Pam Horsford*

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**Brian Horsford** - February 19, 2019 at 01:42 PM

KR

“ 3 files added to the album *Memories Album*



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**Kelly Reggio** - February 18, 2019 at 03:28 PM

PH

*Sorry to hear about the death of Gene , Now he is in heaven with his parents Claude and Millie ... and my parents Lyle and Dorothy Hetfield ... God Bless your family . Pamela (Hetfield ) Hall.*

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**Pamela Hall** - February 22, 2019 at 11:25 PM