

Henry L. Sheppard

August 4, 1947 - July 27, 2013

Funeral services for Henry L. Sheppard age 65 will be held Wednesday, July 31, 2013 at 11:00 am in Northridge Christian Church. Interment will follow in Heritage Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home Tuesday evening from 6:00 until 8:00.

Mr. Sheppard was a native of Washington county and had made his home in Baldwin County for most of his life. He was the son of the late Harold Sheppard and was the owner of Sheppard Appraisals, former owner of Southern Classic Realty and was a very active member of Northridge Christian Church.

Survivors include his wife Elaine Hicks Sheppard; sons- David (Heather) Sheppard and Craig (Brandi) Sheppard; mother Dora Brett Sheppard of Milledgeville; brothers Danny Sheppard of Milledgeville and Melvin "Shorty" Sheppard of Dublin; Grandchildren Ashley, David, Mason and Eli Sheppard; a number of other relatives also survive.

In lieu of flowers the family request expressions of sympathy be made to Northridge Christian Church.

Cemetery Details

Heritage Memorial Park

371 Log Cabin Road
Milledgeville, GA 31061
(478) 452-2148
staff@williamsfuneralhome.net
<https://www.williamsfuneralhome.net>

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 30. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Williams Funeral Home & Crematory - Milledgeville
1670 N. Jefferson St.
Milledgeville, GA 31061
(478) 452-2148
staff@williamsfuneralhome.net
<https://www.williamsfuneralhome.net>

Service

JUL 31. 11:00 AM (ET)

Northridge Christian Church
321 Log Cabin Road NE
Milledgeville, GA 31061
<http://www.northridge.online>

Tribute Wall



“ So its been iver5 years since Daddy left us to go be with Him.

I only hope that we have all learned from him and tried to follow the path that he went down.

Dad, Heather turned 49 yesterday. It makes me look on the life we had together and appreciate even more the blessings that God has given me.

I know there was no “How to raise a son manual” but Thank you for being my Dad!

I have and always will Love you!

David Sheppard - February 20, 2019 at 12:49 PM



“ *David, Jenny and family, I just heard about Henry's death. I am very sorry. Henry was a special person and I know how much you all will miss him. Denise Putman*

Denise Putman - August 14, 2013 at 09:08 AM



“ *To the family of Henry Sheppard: Frank and I are sorry for your loss. You all will be in our prayers. Frank and Joann Chambers*

Joann Chambers - August 12, 2013 at 04:00 PM

MM

“ Elaine, David and Family,
I've had the pleasure of knowing Henry for many years. What a wonderful person. I can't remember a time that he didn't have a smile on his face. He was always eager to help, even if it meant personal sacrifice.
Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and the family. He will be missed.
God Bless
Mike and Pam McCabe

Mike McCabe - July 31, 2013 at 04:44 PM

LM

“ Elaine and Family,
We will miss Henry. We always enjoyed his visits to JMG. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Luther & Berta and all your friends at Johnnie McDade grocery.



LUTHER MINOR - July 31, 2013 at 12:22 PM

DS

“ David we were sorry to hear about Henry. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this sad time.
Judy and "Duck" Shipp

Duck Shipp - July 31, 2013 at 09:37 AM

AB

“ Elaine, Craig and family,

My sincerest sympathy at this difficult time. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

*Sincerely,
Ann Bertoli*

Ann Bertoli - July 30, 2013 at 09:50 PM

TT

“ Craig, I am very sad to hear of your fathers passing. He was a genuine person and always willing to help others. As the first Appraiser that I met when I started selling real estate 19 years ago, he always had the upmost respect for Realtors and in return was very respected by Realtors. The world was a better place with him in it and a lonelier place without him in it. I wish your family strength during this difficult time. May your memories sustain you all. Henry will be missed!
Terri Thornton



Terri Thornton - July 30, 2013 at 09:29 PM

LG

“ Henry was such a nice and fun person to be around. He had a great sense of humor and a love for people. We will hold his memory in our hearts forever. We were fortunate to have had him as a dear friend for over forty years. May you be at peace friend. You will be missed. Lynda and Frank

lynda garbutt - July 30, 2013 at 07:27 PM

AK

“ So sorry to hear about Henry. I always enjoyed working with him in the area when he handled appraisals for us. He will be missed by everyone. Prayers for your whole family...

Alan Kent - July 30, 2013 at 06:46 PM

KV

“ Dear Elaine and Family,
So sorry to hear of Henry's death. He was a great Husband, Father, Friend, Professional and Christian. Only time will heal the pain of the loss. Knowing that Henry is no longer suffering or in pain is a blessing. He is rejoicing in Heaven! So many wonderful MEMORIES! Truly one of a kind!!!
Randy and Kim Veal

Kim Veal - July 30, 2013 at 06:43 PM

DJ

“ There was a time when Henry did all of Fleet's appraisals. Mr. McFarlane sent Henry and me out on the lake on a cold January to do the lake properties. We like to froze to death. He was a fantastic friend. I will miss knowing he was here. Elaine, I am so sorry for your loss. Debbie Johnson

Debbie Johnson - July 30, 2013 at 06:00 PM

BH

“ Elaine, Craig and Family, I am so sorry to hear about Henry death. He was a good friend to me for as long as I can remember, and I always enjoyed that friendship. I know you know how much I have always loved all of your family and still do. Knowing that you are sad and hurting now, makes me sad and I hurt along with you and for you. You'll have been in my prayers every since I heard of his illness and you will be even more so now. I know that with your total dedication to the Lord and his work he will carry you through this dark valley and let you know that Joy comes in the morning.
Love
Butch Horton

Butch Horton - July 30, 2013 at 05:14 PM

JG

“ Henry and I worked together for years, when he was still doing appraisal in Madison. There was never a time I didn't enjoy talking to and helping Henry. He was truly a nice , personable,,genuine man, I am sad for you, the family and for me, as his old friend. My sympathies. Judy Gilbert, Madison Realty

Judy Gilbert - July 30, 2013 at 05:10 PM

TD

“ Elaine , Craig & Family; we were so sorry to hear of Henrys' illness and death. We know you will al miss him terribly and find it hard to fill the hole his death has left in your lives.
May the memories you have and the peace of God carry you through this sad time.
Love
Trisha and Tom Dietrich

trisha dietrich - July 30, 2013 at 04:07 PM

AS

“ I am so sorry to learn of Henry's passing. He is a great man and has had a very positive influence on me and my family. We lost a warrior, friend, and a great christian man but heaven also gained one.

Albert Segars III or "Little Al"

Al Segars - July 30, 2013 at 03:31 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Henry L. Sheppard.



July 30, 2013 at 03:11 PM

JH

“ Henry was a great friend and ally in business for me - first as a banker then as a realtor. He will be greatly missed by all who knew and worked with him. - Jim Hudson

Jim Hudson - July 30, 2013 at 03:05 PM

GW

“ My deep sympathy to Henry's family and friends. Such a special man that had a way of lighting up people's faces every time he called! I will miss him!

*Sincerely,
Gale Weaver*

Gale Weaver - July 30, 2013 at 02:27 PM

SS

“ *Sherry Stathas lit a candle in memory of Henry L. Sheppard*



Sherry Stathas - July 30, 2013 at 01:45 PM

FM

I am very sorry to hear of the passing of Henry. I have known Henry for a long time and every time you seen him he had a smile on his face. he will be greatly missed.--Freddie Myrick

Freddie Myrick - July 30, 2013 at 05:15 PM

JT

“ *Henry was a good man, and will be dearly missed. God bless you, and your family.*

Jim Thompson

jim thompson - July 30, 2013 at 01:42 PM

PO

“ *Thanks, Henry for all the wonderful years of faithful service to our realtor community. You were an invaluable cornerstone of our existence. You will be missed greatly! Our deepest sympathies to the family. He will. not be forgotten. Pat & Ed Okenica*



Pat Okenica - July 30, 2013 at 01:30 PM

AF

“ Adair Field lit a candle in memory of Henry L. Sheppard



Adair Field - July 30, 2013 at 01:21 PM



“ Henry was a great man with a wonderful smile that would light your day whether you were having a good one or a bad one. He helped so many of the Realtors all over the area for many years and always did an awesome job. My prayers go out to all of his family that God will grant them peace and comfort now at this time of great loss.
Teresa Hunter Jones and family



Teresa Stark - July 30, 2013 at 01:01 PM

PL

“ I know your hearts are breaking over the loss of Henry. Just by being himself, he brought a lot of joy into the lives of others. He was a great man and my family feels truly blessed to have known him. Our love, thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.
Pat and Mike Lay
and Family

Pat Lay - July 30, 2013 at 11:56 AM

JS

“ Jimmy Snellgrove lit a candle in memory of Henry L. Sheppard



Jimmy Snellgrove - July 30, 2013 at 11:12 AM

BS

“ I love Henry Sheppard. You didn't have to dress a certain ways, or act a certain way Henry showed people a christain , that helps me want to change.
Accepting, giving and forgiving to me are words that describes him.
Miss you already Brenda



Brenda Snellgrove - July 30, 2013 at 11:09 AM

JS

“ To Craig and all of the family, I express my deepest sympathy. I worked at the Northside branch of Exchange Bank for years and Mr. Henry was absolutely one of my favorite customers. I was so sad to hear of his passing & will keep the family in my prayers during this time of grief.

Jodi Outler Sappe - July 30, 2013 at 10:33 AM

VG

“ Vickie Power Greene lit a candle in memory of Henry L. Sheppard



Vickie Power Greene - July 30, 2013 at 10:11 AM



Christie
Rebecca

“ There are not enough words to express my gratitude to this man for just being who he was. He had a heart the size of Texas, and would answer his phone to anyone that needed him for ANYthing. He always enjoyed just sitting around at the farm talking about Jesus or hunting or football or life. He loved showing us how to cook things the way he did, and he always answered me when I called to see how long to put my chicken in the oven: "Uh, well, girl - you just put them on for about 3 hours and cover them with some foil... put you a little seasoning on them, too.... Now, call me back tonight and let me know how good they were!"

I have spent nearly every weekend for 14 or 15 years at the farm hanging out and eating supper, and he always called everyone inside the cooking shed to bless the meal together. He always tried to get the younger boys and kids to help him bless the food because "they need to get in the habit of talking to Jesus and thanking Him for what we have when they're young." But one thing that always got to me - when he said a blessing, he could NEVER get all the way through it without crying. When he spoke to God, it choked him up every time. And every time he got choked up saying a prayer, we did, too. He just had that effect on people.

If you never got to watch a Georgia football game with him, you missed out on an adventure. He would run around hollering "Go Dawgs" in this long, drawn out voice that sounded like a cross between a wounded Beagle and a scalded cat, and I missed seeing many a touchdowns because I was watching him and laughing at his noises. But if Georgia started playing like crap or the coaches made bad calls, you'd might as well go home, because he'd change the channel to another game when he'd had enough of it. :)

He always had time to talk to anyone about whatever they were going through, and he offered the best advice - good, Godly advice. He always had a smile on his face, and he just loved people and loved sharing Jesus with friends OR strangers. His passing has left a hold in my heart, and in my family's hearts. He is already missed

so dearly.

Love you, Bo.

Christie Rebecca - July 30, 2013 at 09:14 AM

NB

“ *Nancy Buchanan lit a candle in memory of Henry L. Sheppard*



Nancy Buchanan - July 30, 2013 at 08:55 AM

NB

Henry will be missed by many. He was such a good man and I enjoyed working with him and Elaine on many occasions. May God comfort Elaine and family during this time of sorrow. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Tonny & Nancy Buchanan

Nancy Buchanan - July 30, 2013 at 08:58 AM



“ *Mr sheppard, you will be missed, when i walked in to milledgeville some 20 years ago, i met you and you were so respectful and kind towards me, i knew then you were a great amn, that also rubs of on your family, when i saw you you always had a smile, im in shock that a great man left here too early. God has a plan. roc patel and family.*

Roc Patel - July 30, 2013 at 08:37 AM

JR

“ We are so sad to hear that Mr. Henry passed away. He was the smiling face at church that always greeted us as we walked in for service. He always made my daughter feel so special when he assured her, he had never seen a little girl so pretty....and when he told our son he had never seen such a handsome and strapping young man. That is a gift to make people feel special, again, and again, and again. His family is a reflection of his kindness. The Sheppard's are such a special piece of Milledgeville and will surely be missed. Our prayer for your family is peace, love the Robbins (Shane, Jill, Carly and Keith)

Jill Robbins - July 30, 2013 at 08:12 AM

NA

“ I was so sad to hear about Henry's untimely passing. He was a man about his business in a most delightful way. Always happy and enjoyed talking to him about business or pleasure. He was a great help to me when I had a question about real estate. He will surely be missed by so many and in so many ways. Elaine, may God bless you and your family in this great time of sorrow.
Nora Anderson

Nora Anderson - July 30, 2013 at 08:05 AM

JS

“ Henry was a true servant of Jesus Christ , he touched my life, I will miss my true friend.
God Bless Elaine, David, Craig, Danny, Shorty and Family.
Love yall's Jimmy Snellgrove

Jimmy Snellgrove - July 30, 2013 at 07:13 AM

TK

“ Terry Head Kennedy lit a candle in memory of Henry L. Sheppard



Terry Head Kennedy - July 30, 2013 at 12:07 AM

TK

*My heart is very heavy for the loss of my dear friend Henry . I will always remember his warm hugs and laughter/ He never met a stranger and I know we all have a Guardian Angel for sure. Elaine and family , my deepest sympathy to you during this difficult time. My prayers are with you all.
Terry Head Kennedy*

Terry Head Kennedy - July 30, 2013 at 12:11 AM

JT

“ *Our hearts are heavy with the loss of our friend and for his precious family! We are so thankful that after many years, our paths crossed again and that we have the blessed hope and promise of seeing Henry again! We will miss his welcoming smile, hugs and handshake on Sunday morning! Love and prayers for the Sheppard family!*

Phil & Jan Treadway

Jan Treadway - July 29, 2013 at 10:31 PM

BS

“ *With our ties to Washington County, everytime I saw Henry he always asked about my family. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Sheppard family*

Burton Smith

Burton Smith - July 29, 2013 at 10:03 PM

FW

“ *That beautiful smile of Henry's will stay in the memory banks until we see each other again in Heaven. Our grandchildren will miss seeing him every Sunday as he greeted them as they came in, Barbara & I loved him very much and share that love with you Elaine and All the family. May the Peace of Jesus flow over you at this time.*

Floyd & Barbara Watts - July 29, 2013 at 09:02 PM

AB

“ *Allan Brown purchased the Love's Journey for the family of Henry L. Sheppard.*



Allan Brown - July 29, 2013 at 08:21 PM

LS

“ *Our sincere sympathy to the Sheppard family. He was a good friend and will be missed by so many in our community.*

Larry and Angela Spillers

Larry Spillers - July 29, 2013 at 07:31 PM

NT

“ I was so sorry and saddened to hear of Henry's passing. I just learned two weeks ago that he was sick. Henry was so sweet to bring me (and Beverly) food when he had his cookouts. And of course, he shared his vegetables with us too.



I always felt so safe knowing he looked after my land. He was always just a phone call away. I will miss him very much. My prayers go out to his family.

Nancy Roberson Timms and Beverly Garrard

Nancy Roberson Timms - July 29, 2013 at 06:28 PM

SB

“ So sorry to hear about Henry. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. May God give you peace and comfort.

Sonny & Patsy Bass

Sonny & Patsy Bass - July 29, 2013 at 05:42 PM

AF

“ Elaine, Mark and I were so saddened to hear the news of Henry's passing. We have fond memories of him--especially the joy of Mark being able to baptize him and the great rejoicing of his birth into the kingdom. He was a very kind and generous man. Our love and prayers are with you.

*Lovingly,
Mark and Ann Fessler*

Ann Fessler - July 29, 2013 at 04:04 PM

CK

“ *Mr Henry was such a kind and gentle man. Every time I saw him he had a smile on his face and was ready to lend a helping hand. My children loved him and we will all forever be influenced by his sweet spirit. Thank you Mr Henry, you will be missed.*

*In loving memory,
Christi Kitchens (Shelby, Austin, and Adin)*

Christi Kitchens - July 29, 2013 at 04:04 PM

KA

“ *Chris and I send our condolences & prayers for Henry's family as you grieve and say goodbye to a fine man. May our Father, with the comfort of His promised Spirit here on earth in His absence, keep your head up and lift your eyes & spirits to Heaven and to the grace and hope of eternity with Him (and all of our loved ones that have gone before us). Peace be with you from Jesus Christ, Our Savior.*

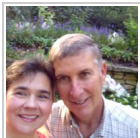


Karen - July 29, 2013 at 03:46 PM

KA

Chris, Karen, Lucas, & Levi Minton

Karen - July 29, 2013 at 03:47 PM



“ *Elaine and family, we are so very sorry for your loss. Henry was such a special person. Know that we are praying for God's comfort and healing to ease your hearts.*
Tim & Susan Smith and Family

Susan Smith - July 29, 2013 at 03:16 PM

BK

*“ Buck and I will miss Mr. Henry so much. Always a kind word to everyone and smile on his face. We will certainly miss him greeting us at the door on Sunday morning. Sincerely,
Buck & Kim Knight*



Buck & Kim Knight - July 29, 2013 at 03:14 PM



*“ We will miss Henry's smile and warm hugs at Northridge every Sunday morning. I know he will be there in spirit. Elaine and family are in our prayers!
Billy & Camilla Ivey*

Camilla Ivey - July 29, 2013 at 01:47 PM



“ My love to the family. Henry was loved by all who knew him and he was such a good person. He loved his Lord and his family. He will be missed.

Eleanor Martin - July 29, 2013 at 01:27 PM

RH

“ I will miss Mr. Henry. I loved him very much. You were a friend to me. Madeline Clark

We will miss his smiling face at Northridge on Sunday Morning. He was the first person that greeted us when we starting to Northridge. He was a great guy.

Rose and Phil Hartley



Rose Hartley - July 29, 2013 at 01:13 PM

WM

“ Elaine, Craig and family, I'll miss Henry's kind smile and greeting at Northridge on Sunday mornings. I knew him and his family when I was growing up in Washington County. He came from a fine family and had a fine family of his own. He'll be greatly missed, but, he has arrived at his final destination. The physical body is deceased, but, his spirit and memories are alive and will exist forever.

Wallace Moore - July 29, 2013 at 12:33 PM

AF

Elaine, Mark and I were so privileged to have know Henry and Mark was so proud to have had the blessing of baptizing him. A memory we will never forget. He was a wonderful, generous man. Our prayers and love to you and your family.Loving, Mark and Ann Fessler

Ann Fessler - July 29, 2013 at 03:44 PM

RM

“ Elaine, sons, grandkids, Danny, Shorty, Mrs. Dora and the rest of the family, you have lost a good son, father, brother, grandfather. Henry was a classmate of mine Washington Co. HS, class of 65. He did so much work for us at the bank. You could always depend on Henry doing a great job. It was always good to see him in the bank and catch up on each others lives. He will be so missed by so many. God bless the life of Henry Sheppard and God bless all of you.

*Ron May
Sandersville*

Ron May - July 29, 2013 at 11:54 AM

PP

“ Henry was a very special person and a cherished friend to our family. We will miss him. We have many good memories of him and will keep him with us always through those memories. Elaine and family, our thoughts and prayers are with you. May you find strength and peace in the wonderful memories you have of Henry.

Patty and Don Padgett and Shannon White-Hardin

Patty Padgett - July 29, 2013 at 10:42 AM

EW

“ Mr. Henry was like a breath of fresh air! Regardless of how your day started, seeing Mr. Henry's smiling face every Sunday morning was an instant pick-me-up. It was always very apparent coming in to church on Sunday mornings that he was genuinely happy to be there and loved what he was doing. He made each person feel welcomed and loved. I cannot begin to express how much Scott and I will miss seeing him! We are praying for God's peace and understanding for Mrs. Elaine, Craig, and family. We love you!

Scott & Emily Williams

Emily Williams - July 29, 2013 at 10:41 AM

IN

“ Elaine, Craig and all the other members of your family, we are saddened for your loss. Please know that we are thinking of yall and praying for God's peace and understanding. Love you guys. W.B. & Imogene NeSmith

Imogene NeSmith - July 29, 2013 at 10:22 AM

CE

“ Elaine and Family, Stanley, Eric and I are so very, very sad to hear this and we will surely miss Henry. He was always so kind to invite us to his cookouts and always made us feel like part of the family. He did that with everyone. He was also a man of God who inspired so many by speaking of this to them. He is surely in heaven now watching over all of us and waiting on the time when we all come home to meet with him for that big cookout in the skies! We love you all and will be praying for you.

Cindy and Stanley Jordan and Eric

Cindy Stanley Jordan and Eric - July 29, 2013 at 10:17 AM

CN

“ Henry was a classmate of mine at Washington County High School (Class of '65). We were teammates in baseball and football, and he was indeed a competitor. More importantly, Henry was a true friend. I'm going to miss him. God bless him. Charlie Norris

Charlie Norris - July 29, 2013 at 09:49 AM

LK

“ Elaine and Family, Henry being called home came so much sooner than any of us could have ever imagined. None of us know the time nor the place, and Henry's sudden departure should teach us all just how fragile and special each day is that God gives us. It also speaks to how each of us should be "ready" to met the Lord at any hour of any day. Henry was a Godly man and ready to meet his Lord. We rejoice knowing that Henry is in a much better place....but our sadness is real, and we will always miss his loving smile and gentle ways. Our memories of him will always be cherished. Our thoughts, love and prayers are with all of you during this difficult time. With all our love, Linda and Andy Kennedy

Linda D. Kennedy - July 29, 2013 at 09:38 AM

WC

“ Elaine and Family, Henry was a special person who shared God's love and touched many lives. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family during this difficult time.
With Love, Gary and Wanda Chambers

Wanda Chambers - July 29, 2013 at 07:28 AM

MS

“ Gods calling for Henry to come home came a lot sooner than any of us would have thought. He has plan for each of us and we never know what that plan is until is upon us. Mike and I have some very special memories of the Sheppard family when Craig was growing up and playing baseball with Brad and all of them playing golf together. It seems like yesterday. That's the things we have to hang on to when our loved ones leave us to be with our maker. Our thoughts and prayers will continue to be with your family.
God Bless you all.
Mike & Maggie Stalnaker & Brad

Maggie Stalnaker - July 28, 2013 at 11:02 PM

DR

“ Henry will always be part of our lives. He was a remarkable person and will be missed by many. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family. May God send comfort to you all during this time. Warren and Donita Roberts

Donita Roberts - July 28, 2013 at 08:41 PM

WS

“ Elaine, my prayers are with you and your family. Henry was truly a Godly Man and loved by so many. He always had that great smile .
I love you
Wytina

wytina Smith - July 28, 2013 at 06:38 PM

LG

“ TO THE SHEPARD FAMILY
MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU AT THIS TIME.
LOWELL GUESS {HATTAWAY TV. SER.}
NOW IN DUBLIN GA.

LOWELL GUESS - July 28, 2013 at 06:19 PM

CY

“ Elaine & Family,
Please accept our deepest sympathy.
I worked with Henry back in '73-'74 at Baldwin Enterprises.
He was surely a Godly man now in Heaven rejoicing with his Savior.

Casey & Judy Youngblood - July 28, 2013 at 05:57 PM

EM

My love to the family. Henry was loved by all who knew him and he was such a good person. He loved his Lord and his family. He will be missed.

Eleanor Martin - July 29, 2013 at 08:57 AM

AH

“ Our condolences and prayers go to Henry's family. He was such a nice person and will be greatly missed by so many people. Alan and Toni Hall

Alan Hall - July 28, 2013 at 03:21 PM

BH

“ There could not have been a kinder and loved person than Henry.. He will be missed by all.. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.. Betty and Tom Haley

Betty Haley - July 28, 2013 at 02:28 PM