



Melvin Eugene Vaughn

July 17, 1934 - March 23, 2020

Melvin Eugene Vaughn, 85 went home to be with the Lord on the 23rd of March 2020 at the Emogene Dolin Jones Hospice House in Huntington, WV.

He was born on July 17, 1934 in South Charleston, WV to the late Irvine and Pauline Reusch Vaughn.

He graduated from South Charleston High School in 1952. He attended Morris Harvey College where he played football and baseball. He received his degree in education in 1957. He began his teaching career in Kanawha County before coming to Putnam County. He was a teacher, coach, Vice Principal and Principal before retiring in 1987. Mel loved hunting, fishing, and playing golf. He attended Lewis Memorial Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents and infant brother Jimmy.

He is survived by his loving wife, Jean Protzman Vaughn and step-son, Chris Lafferty of Centerville, Ohio.

A private graveside service will be held and burial will be in Glendale Cemetery, South Charleston.

Donations may be made to Lewis Memorial Baptist Church, 5385 West Pea

Ridge Rd, Huntington, WV 25705, The Alzheimers Association or HospiceCare.

You may share memories of Mel by visiting ChapmanFuneralHomes.com

Chapman Funeral Home, Hurricane is honored to serve the Vaughn family.

Cemetery Details

Glendale Cemetery

125309500 King Street
South Charleston, WV , WV

Tribute Wall



“ *Melvin Eugene Vaughn*

October 06, 2023 at 08:41 AM



“ *I had pleasure of playing for Coach Vaughan Winfield High 60 61
REST IN PEACE COACH*

GEORGE CARGILL - March 30, 2020 at 10:37 AM



“ *GEORGE CARGILL lit a candle in memory of
Melvin Eugene Vaughn*



GEORGE CARGILL - March 30, 2020 at 10:31 AM



“ *Jean, My deepest sympathy. I will always remember Mel with a
smile. He would bounce into Eastbrook Elementary as I would ask,
"How you doing Mel?" He'd always answer, "If I were any better, I
would be perfect!" May your warm memories sustain you doing this
time of loss. Tresa (Learmonth) Scalise*

Tresa Scalise - March 28, 2020 at 08:06 AM

RT

“ My heart is broken by the passing of “Coach” Mel Vaughn. I have so many memories of him. He lived down the street from me and anytime he heard a basketball bouncing he would say there goes Robin. In Junior High I remember him being such a big and strong man. One day he told me to stand as stiff as a board and he grabbed me at both ankles and lifted me over his head! The strange things we remember. Coach was a sweet man and always treated me with kindness. I will miss him! RIP Coach!

Robin Turley - March 27, 2020 at 08:40 PM

GC

“ Jean I am so sorry. God will get you through this. If there is anything I can do to help you, please let me know. I will be praying for you!!!
Your neighbor, Gaynor Chandler

Gaynor Chandler - March 26, 2020 at 11:06 AM

RA

“ I didnt know him real well, which is good lol bc he was my Principal ! Lol I had him in middle school, early 80's, nice man. Praying for Gods peace for the family!!



Robin (Adkins) Holiday HMS Alumni - March 26, 2020 at 03:12 AM

DW

“ I cherish the memories of all the good times we had on many, many golf courses for over thirty years. Keep it in the fairway my friend. -
David Wall

David Wall - March 25, 2020 at 11:51 AM

RL

“ Coach Vaughn was my football coach at Nitro Jr and High School from 1962 to 1965. He was the complete package. Coach not only taught us football, but about life and God. The one thing I'll always remember about coach Vaughn is. before every practice coach would say, “boys, if we have a good practice it will be short and sweet”. Coach Vaughn will forever be remembered for his love and many teachings. Ralph Lucas class of 1966 NHS.

Ralph Lucas - March 25, 2020 at 10:48 AM

SH

“ Coach was a great guy. He had Suffered so much. Rest in eternal Peace. He made a difference in our Lives.

Scott Henderson - March 25, 2020 at 08:57 AM

RS

“ Somewhere in Paradise there is a beautiful golf course on which the turkeys are gobbling by a mountain stream filled with six pound brown trout feeding on a fresh hatch. That's where you'll find my friend and mentor Melvin Eugene "Rube" Vaughn. Yeeee Hee Coach! Rest in Peace...

Rusty Sovine - March 24, 2020 at 08:40 PM

BP

To the loving memory of Coach Mel Vaughn, a greatly respected teacher, coach and friend of monthly meeting group of former students, football players and coaches of Winfield High School.

Bill Cain and former football players - March 27, 2020 at 10:49 AM

PB

“ *Mr. Vaughn will always have a special memory in my heart. When he came to our school, Hurricane Jr High, he looked just like the picture posted on his obituary.*
Patti Thacker Bearden

patricia bearden - March 24, 2020 at 06:45 PM

PR

“ *I had Coach Vaughn when I went to Hurricane High School. He was a very good person. The last time I saw him was a few years ago at my brother Coach Tom Sutherland's funeral. It was so good to see him again. My prayers & thoughts are with his family. God Bless him.*

Patricia (Jimmie) Chittum Richmeier - March 24, 2020 at 05:50 PM

RM

“ *Spent a large part of my adolescent years hunting and fishing with Mel. Mel and my father were good friends. He was always alot of fun to be around. I am sure he will be sadly missed. God Bless Mel Vaughn*

Robin Margolis - March 24, 2020 at 04:59 PM

SR

“ *He was a great coach and even more a great friend. We will always remember how much he loved life, fishing, hunting and then telling the stories about them
Will be missed much. ❤️ Steve and Joan Rogers.*



Stephen Rogers - March 24, 2020 at 04:41 PM

CH

“ *Mr. Vaughn was one of my teachers when I was in high school. I will always have fond memories of him.*

carolyn handley - March 24, 2020 at 04:08 PM

GM

“ *I graduated from Winfield High School in 1970. I had Coach Vaughn as a teacher. I always liked and respected him. Thank you for offering me this opportunity to say so.*

Be comforted in the knowledge that he was a good person who was well respected.

I am so sorry for your loss.

Regards,

Gloria J. Moore, Winfield High School Class of 1970

West Virginia Institute of Technology Class of 1974

Oklahoma City University School of Law, Class of 1986

Gloria Moore - March 24, 2020 at 03:50 PM

DT

“ *So sorry for your loss he was a good man. He will be missed by all. My prayers are with the family*



Denise Taykor - March 24, 2020 at 02:37 PM

CS

“ *My thoughts and prayers to the family. There are so many memories of our school days. Coach was more than a coach and teacher...he was always an inspiration and wonderful mentor for many!*

Christie Caldwell Skinner - March 24, 2020 at 01:42 PM