



## Harry Eugene Greene, Jr.

November 1, 1944 - June 6, 2022

Mr. Harry Eugene Greene, Jr., 77, of Kannapolis went to be with the Lord on Monday, June 6, 2022, at Atrium Health Cabarrus following years of declining health and 3 months serious illness.

Harry was born November 1, 1944 in Cabarrus County, the son of Harry E. Greene, Sr. and the late Janice Lyerly Greene Kever. He was also preceded in death by a brother, Gerry Christopher (Chris) Greene and grandparents, Gerry Jacob Lyerly and Addie H. Lyerly who was a very special part of Harry's life.

Harry resided in Florida for 35 years and his best times in Florida were spent with his children and his friends. His life love was field trialing his bird dogs on horseback in the piney woods of Florida, especially in Punta Gorda, FL at the Cecil B. Webb field trial grounds. He devoted all of his leisure time to breeding and raising his English Pointer dogs and Tennessee Walking horses himself.

After returning to North Carolina, some of Harry's best times were spent at N. Ocean Drive Beach, SC where he and his beloved, Brenda, loved to Shag dance to his favorite Beach Music. He and Brenda also spent many days hiking in the mountains of North Carolina and enjoying the outdoors. He was a lifelong fitness enthusiast and enjoyed golfing all his adult life until his health declined.

In Harry's later years, he spent most of his time, visiting with friends and caring for his two beloved constant companions, his rescued dogs, Alfie and Honey, who he loved very much.

His early education was completed at A.L. Brown High School in Kannapolis, where he was a legendary sports figure and earned All-State, All-Conference, All-Region in multiple sports and was granted a full college scholarship.

Harry graduated from Wingate University in 1966 where he excelled in sports and was

inducted into the Wingate University Sports Hall of Fame in 2003. He was voted All-Conference; All-Region in 1965 and 1966; First team NCAA All American 1966; NCAA World Series all-tournament team 1966.

He also graduated from Florida State University in 1969 where he played two seasons. His master's graduate work was completed at Florida Atlantic University.

After residing in Florida for 35 years he retired in 1995 from the Florida Parole Commission in 1995. Prior to the governor's appointment to the position above he served as the Administrative Director of the Florida Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services. He was also a member of the governor's council on crime and delinquencies.

Upon his return to North Carolina in 1995, he served as an analyst with the North Carolina Bureau of Prisons and retired in 2008 after serving almost 13 years.

Harry is a member of Bethpage Methodist Church where he and his grandmother attended.

He is survived by his Life Partner of 25 years, Brenda Staley Speck; three daughters, Melissa Busey Kaminski, husband Drew of Melbourne, FL; Blake Greene Iler, husband Aubrey of Newton, GA; Janice Devon Greene of Tallahassee, FL; and seven grandchildren, Kyle, Conner, Garrett and Delaney Kaminski; Patrick and Garrett Greene (Harry's daughter Blake married a Greene); and Parker Raulerson.

Funeral services will be at 12:00 pm, Saturday, June 11, 2022, at Lady's Funeral Home Chapel. Dr. Rick Felts will officiate. Interment will follow at Carolina Memorial Park in Kannapolis.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 10:30 to 11:45 am prior to the service.

# Cemetery Details

## Carolina Memorial Park

601 Mt. Olivet Road  
Kannapolis, NC 28083

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 11. 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM (ET)

Lady's Funeral Home  
268 N. Cannon Blvd.  
Kannapolis, NC 28083

## Funeral Service

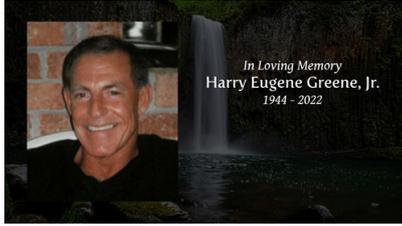
JUN 11. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Lady's Funeral Home & Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Harry Eugene Greene, Jr.*



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**Lady's Funeral Home & Crematory** - June 10 at 04:51 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Service Video*



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**Lady's Funeral Home & Crematory** - June 12 at 04:03 PM

DM

“ *My Family knew his family all our lives from Kannapolis I was water boy for Little Wonders Football Team 2 years 5th 6th grade Harry was obviously a GREAT Athlete he was also a GREAT LEADER in the locker room and on the field I had an hour phone conversation with him about 6 months ago*

*I am Grateful that I knew him he was a HERO to me growing up*

*RIP HARRY TERRIFIC  
DAVE MARLIN*

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**dave marlin** - June 11 at 12:22 PM

ET

“ *I played 5 years of Kannapolis football with Harry. He was a tough guy and a great football player. My heart goes out to his family. I would tell him after many years after his football and baseball time "it must be tough being a has been". He always responded "Its better to be a Has been rather than a Never was." That was Harry.*

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**Eddy Trott** - June 09 at 07:28 PM

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“ Thomas Yoe

*Enjoyed many years working with Harry in the Diagnostic Center at PCI. Especially eating lunch together and hearing his stories of Kannapolis and living in Florida. A very colorful life of airplanes, boats, horses, dogs, sports and Beach Music. I know you will be Shagging in heaven. You will be missed brother.*

Thomas Yoe - June 09 at 01:14 PM

AP

*Worked with Harry on 2nd shift, then he went to Diagnostic until I left*

Anthony Powell - June 11 at 08:35 PM

LB

“ *Rest in peace dear Harry, your journey here on earth had ended but glorious times await you. So glad to have been a classmate of yours from the class of 1963!*

Linda Ivey Bryant - June 09 at 11:39 AM

JR

“ *I will always remember all the wonderful times spending with Mr. Greene growing up in Ft. Pierce, FL. Our little neighborhood, Hidden Acres, was the best place to be. Everyone looked out for each other. Mr. Greene always welcomed us in his house and loved hanging around and telling his stories from his past. He was a great man and will be surely missed! RIP 🙏🙏🙏💕*  
Jen (Gi) Buchanan Rock

Jen Buchanan Rock - June 09 at 07:09 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Harry Eugene Greene, Jr..*



June 08 at 07:37 PM

MP

“ Moore Clarke DuVall & Rodgers, P.C. purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Harry Eugene Greene, Jr..



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Moore Clarke DuVall & Rodgers, P.C. - June 08 at 02:26 PM

AM

“ Many thoughts and prayers to the family. I worked with Harry at Piedmont for several years. He was always pleasant, and always had a smile on his face. He was a pleasure to work with. He will be missed.

Amy Leonard

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Amy - June 08 at 10:35 AM

RP

“ Harry worked with me at Piedmont Correctional Institution for several years. He was such a true gentleman. He was always available for sharing his love of roses and his advice which the younger staff took to heart. I appreciate the time the Lord allowed me to work with him. I know he is up in heaven golfing, sharing laughter and friendship with many who have worked with him for many years and passed on. Harry, thank you for your advise over the years, your friendship and I hope to see you in Heaven one day.

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Retired Capt Jean Martin, PCI - June 07 at 10:54 PM