



## Mr. Pete Hardy

July 17, 1939 - September 7, 2021

Mr. Pete Hardy, 82, of Hazelcrest, IL; formerly of Peoria, IL passed away at 11:05 am, Tuesday, September 7, 2021 at South Suburban Rehabilitation Center in Homewood, IL.

Hardy, as he was affectionately known, was born on July 17, 1939 in Clarksdale, MS, to proud parents Sampson, Sr., and Jeannie (Brackett) Hardy.

Hardy was a proud U.S. Army Veteran, honorably serving his country from July, 23, 1959 to July 23, 1962.

Hardy leaves to cherish his most precious memories two loving and devoted daughters, Zipporah (LaMarr, Sr.) Randle of Los Angeles, CA and LaEisha Meaderds of Peoria, IL; a loving god daughter, Bernetta King-Harris of Peoria; four loving sisters, Lynette Hardy-Cunningham, of Peoria, IL, Deborah (Christian) Hardy-Nze of South Holland, IL, Avon (Curtis) Hinkle of Peoria, IL and Evon Hardy-Dixon of Peoria, IL; one loving brother, Moses Edward Hardy of Detroit, MI; his sister-in-Law, Linda Hardy of Phoenix, AZ; five grandchildren, Robert LaMarr Randle, Jr., Zion Franklin, Zariah Franklin, Nala Davis and Sergio Maalik McClain; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. He is preceded in death by his parents; two sisters, Barbara L. King and Laura Yvonne Hardy; and five brothers, Cleveland Hardy, Sampson "Jimmie" Hardy, Jr., Willie "Billie" Hardy, Elijah "Punch" Hardy and

Gene Edward Hardy.

Funeral services will be held at 10 am, Saturday, September 18, 2021 at Sovereign Grace Missionary Baptist Church with a visitation one-hour prior beginning at 9 am. The Host Pastor is Rev. Alvin Riley, Sr. Mr. Virgil Marshall, Deacon at New Cornerstone Baptist Church, will bring words of comfort. Hardy will be laid to rest on Soldier Hill at Historic Springdale Cemetery. The US Army and the American Legion Post 2 will bring Military Honors.

Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be made at [SimonsMortuary.com](https://www.simonsmortuary.com).

The service will be live streamed on Simons Mortuary's Website or Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Simons-Mortuary-232095303487150> promptly AT THE TIME OF THE SERVICE.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, social distancing and attendance, funerals are limited to 55 family members of the decedents, not including the staff at Simons Mortuary.

To be consistent with recommendations from the National Funeral Directors Association (NFDA), funeral home directors have been instructed and should follow CDC guidelines on gatherings, including those directly related to funerals, visitations, or graveside services.

\*In an effort to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, we ask that everyone in attendance: wear a face mask and refrain from hugging, kissing and shaking hands (as hard as it is to see someone you care about and not touch them).

\*It is our responsibility as a Funeral Directors, to do everything we can to advise families in order to honor our beloved Families and to keep everyone as safe as possible.

Thanks in advance for your cooperation!

# Cemetery Details

## Historic Springdale Cemetery

3014 N. Prospect Road  
Peoria, IL 61603

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **18**. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Sovereign Grace M.B. Church  
1505 W. Martin Street  
Peoria, IL 61605

## Celebration of Life

SEP **18**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Sovereign Grace M.B. Church  
1505 W. Martin Street  
Peoria, IL 61605

# Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Pete Hardy*



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**Simons Mortuary** - September 17, 2021 at 02:39 PM



“ *Mr. Pete Hardy*

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January 29, 2023 at 06:10 AM



“ *Mr. Pete Hardy*

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January 29, 2023 at 03:12 AM



“ *Uncle Hardy was an amazing soul with a welcoming spirit full of calm and poise. Always a distinguished gentleman. I will miss his face and presence at family get togethers.*

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**Rebekah Rogers** - September 18, 2021 at 11:46 PM

LG

“Pete.....Looooonnnng time memories!!!!  
You were always the big brother to me and  
Lois. Can't forget all the times you picked so  
many of us up in your own van to go skating  
at Fernwood's.



Linda Gaines - September 18, 2021 at 11:14 AM

DG

“First memory of Uncle Peter was his love for his two girls Zip and  
Eisha. He would have them both on either of his hips if he could or  
at least Eisha while Zip held on to his pant leg. You couldn't pull him  
from them if you tried. 😭 He was always the nice uncle who was  
different. Eclectic, smart, artistic and cool. One of our town's most  
popular DJ's. And when you saw him at a party you know you were  
gonna have a good and long steppers set to keep you on the dance  
floor for at least an hour or so. Good ol' Uncle Peter. He will be  
missed.

Dionne Gipson - September 18, 2021 at 04:02 AM

LD

“Louis Davis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Pete  
Hardy



Louis Davis - September 16, 2021 at 12:55 PM



“ *To the Hardy Family sorry for your loss and May God's Angel's Wings spread around you all and bring you all comfort during this time of sorrow!!! R.I.P. Pete!!! 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏*



**Renee Linwood** - September 16, 2021 at 12:30 PM



“ *Rena Webster Horton lit a candle in memory of Mr. Pete Hardy*



**Rena Webster Horton** - September 16, 2021 at 09:07 AM



“ *"Uncle Peter," "Water Brother" Mr DJ, skate rink master, professional college student, you are loved by many and will be missed. You finally made it in Heaven with our family and Jesus.. Wear your wings in Glory and fly high with the angels as your light shines brightly forever.*



**Linda Hardy** - September 16, 2021 at 03:59 AM



“ *Donna Wilson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Pete Hardy*



**Donna Wilson** - September 14, 2021 at 01:18 PM

JB

“ One Of The Latest Greatest Peoria's Own Pete Hardy . His Name Will Go Down In Our History Books Around Here In Peoria. I Remember Pete From When I Was A Very Young Girl I Always Looked Up To Him Because He Presented Himself As A Man With A Purpose. REST WELL SIR DANCE WITH DAVID FOR THE LORD 🙏🙏🙏🙏



Joanie Brown - September 13, 2021 at 03:35 AM

AH

“ My loving big brother always looked out for his twin sisters,I Avon was supporting him when ever he DJ at different clubs. Love you eternally brother Hardy.

Avon Hinkle - September 12, 2021 at 10:01 AM

NB

“ Nettie Banks lit a candle in memory of Mr. Pete Hardy



Nettie Banks - September 11, 2021 at 04:27 PM

Evon Dixon

“ Rest in peace big brother miss you so much. Going to miss our special talks and checking on each other. Always will have you in my heart and will never forget what you taught me. Love you your little sister Evon 💕💕



Evon Dixon - September 10, 2021 at 04:54 PM

NB

“ *Nettie Banks lit a candle in memory of Mr. Pete Hardy*



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**Nettie Banks** - September 10, 2021 at 01:55 PM

MS

“ *Rest in peace cousin. May the angels of heaven, usher your spirit unto our Father.*



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**Minister Tonja Scott-Pate** - September 10, 2021 at 12:25 PM

DD

“ *I worked with Pete at P.C.C.E.O Headstart. He was so nice and always made you laugh. A great guy. A great DJ as well. Prayers and condolences to his family. Take your well deserved rest Pete. You will be missed.*



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**Dyan Duncan-Tyler** - September 09, 2021 at 02:42 PM

GC

“ *Pete was a person that I lost track of but wondered how he was doing. He always brought back teenage memories of him setting up his fabulous music equipment at State Park. Good music for a good time jamming to his music. Always a friendly guy when I ran into him over the years.*

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**Gloria Carter** - September 09, 2021 at 12:16 PM

GP

“ Peter was great friend that i grew up with,went to grade school jr high school and high school.Losing to many friends.prayers go out to family and all who knew him.God’s blessing.

Gene petty - September 08, 2021 at 09:41 PM

DB

“ Took me skating every Saturday/Sunday on the bus. Pete looked out for us kids in the projects. Took us somewhere fun and positive that kept us out of trouble NO CHARGE!!! Puts a smile on my face to know you lived a full life.



Dorothea Banks-Burse - September 08, 2021 at 07:27 PM

AN

“ Annettelucy sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Pete Hardy



Annettelucy - September 08, 2021 at 03:44 PM