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Starnes, Hugh H. (1933-2016) was born in Asheville, South Carolina the son of Bert and Hazel Starnes. He spent his career serving both the North Carolina Children's Home and the Florida Baptist Children's Home Tallahassee campus. Starnes and his wife, Wanda Fay Ellis Starnes had three sons.



Hugh Hackney "Rip" Starnes

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Born [April 16, 1933] and raised in Asheville, he was the son of the late Bert and Hazel Starnes and was also preceded in death by two brothers Bert Starnes, Jr. and John Starnes. He attended Ben Lippen School, Wayland Baptist College, Carson-Newman College, and UNC-Chapel Hill. He served in the US Army (1954--1956) in Germany.

Mr. Starnes spent his career serving both the North Carolina Childrens Homes in the 2000s and the Florida Baptist Children's Homes, Tallahassee campus, where he was the manager, in the 1990s

He died June 30, 2016. He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Wanda Fay Ellis Starnes; three sons, Mark Starnes of Augusta, GA, Stephen Starnes (Becky) of Greensboro, NC and Chris Starnes (Lisa) of Tallahassee, FL and seven grandchildren, Ashley Carver (Curtis) as well as Hannah, Isaac, Caleb, Drew, Devin and EmmaLin Starnes. He is survived by a brother Reverend Cloyes Starnes (Mary Jo) of Waynesville; a sister, Ruth Moore (Reverend Phil) of Clearwater, FL; and a sister-in-law, Craig Starnes, of Jefferson City, TN.