

Trinity Standard
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James Ray Gardner

TRINITY – Services for James Ray Gardner, 66, were held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 27, 2007, at the Houston National Cemetery Chapel with Pastor Hartley officiating.

Burial will follow in the cemetery with military honors presented.

Mr. Gardner died Monday, Nov. 19, in Houston.

He was born June 18, 1941, in Charlotte, N.C., and served for six years in the U.S. Marine Corps. He loved being around children and was a gifted magician.

Previously employed at AOC Company as a salesman, he enjoyed taking care of people and established his business called Grandmothers, Inc.

He enjoyed working in the kitchen and was known as a very good cook.

Mr. Gardner was preceded in death by his parents, Rhyne and Pauline Craig Gardner; and two brothers, Mike Gardner and Gene Gardner.

Survivors included his wife of 23 years, Elizabeth Gardner; six children and their spouses, Tracy Gardner, James and Rebecca Gardner, Kelly Gardner, Joe and Jessica Phipps, James Michael Gardner and Jennifer Sandavol; two sisters, Eleanore Mason and her husband, Dewey, and Joyce Crossland and John Ford; three grandchildren, Gino Sandavol, Robert Sandavol and Nina Gardner; a number of nephews, cousins and other family members and friends.

Waller-Thornton Funeral Home of Trinity directed the arrangements.