

Gene R. Craft

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Gene R. Craft, age 66, of Highland Hall Road, Boone, passed away Monday morning, December 2, 2013, at Watauga Medical Center.

Gene was born October 21, 1947 in Wilkes County, a son of the late Woodrow and Alma Owens Craft. He was a retired employee of the Appalachian State University Athletics Department and a member of Proffit's Grove Baptist Church. Gene served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War.

Gene is survived by his wife Beverly Craft of Boone; two sisters, Faye Osbourne and husband Jerry of West Jefferson, and Audrey Eller and husband Harold of Millers Creek, and one brother, Wayne Craft and wife Wanda of Wilkesboro.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, Clarence Craft.

Funeral services for Gene R. Craft will be conducted Thursday afternoon, December 5, 2103, at 2:00 o'clock, at Proffit's Grove Baptist Church. The body will lie in state, at the church, from 1:00 until 2:00 o'clock. Officiating will be Reverend Delmar James, Reverend Eugene Braswell, and Reverend Eric Proffit. Military graveside rites and burial, provided by American Legion Post 130 and Disabled American Veterans Chapter 90, will follow in Mount Lawn Memorial Park and Gardens.

The family will receive friends Thursday afternoon, from 1:00 until 2:00 o'clock, at the church, prior to the service.

Online condolences may be sent to the Craft family at www.hamptonfuneralinc.com.

Hampton Funeral and Cremation Service is in charge of the arrangements.