



## Sidney Lee Carey

January 6, 1949 - October 25, 2024

Coleman Funeral Home of Olive Branch

Sidney Lee Carey, 75, of Olive Branch, MS, passed away on October 25, 2024. Friends are invited to a visitation with the family on Tuesday, October 29, 2024 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. with the service to follow at 11:00 a.m., all at Getwell Church, 7875 Getwell Road, Southaven, MS. Pastor Bill Beavers will officiate. Interment will be held at Desoto Memorial Gardens, also in Southaven.

Sid was born on January 6, 1949 in Richmond, VA to the late Samuel Sidney and Pauline White Carey. He was married to the love of his life, Donna, for 40 years. Sid graduated from Lambuth College in Jackson TN, obtaining a bachelor's degree in Business Administration. After college, he went to work for Internal Revenue Service and retired after 33 years. Sid and Donna have attended Getwell Church for the past 38 years. Sid's faith and participation in church and Sunday School were very important to him.

In his early twenties, Sid developed a passion for antique cars. He enjoyed restoring an old car back to the original, seeking advice and help from his car buddies. Sid entered his cars in shows, won several best of show awards, and enjoyed serving as a judge at car shows. He enjoyed touring with cars and especially his friendships with other "old car" guys. Sid served as a past

president of Memphis Antique Car Club and Mid-America Old Time Automobile Association. He also held memberships in the Model A Ford Club of America and the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America. His 1931 Chevrolet remains on display at the Museum of Automobiles on Petit Jean Mountain, AR.

Another favorite hobby was woodworking. For the last several years, Sid spent time under his friend's guidance creating items for his home including furniture, clocks, bowls, a mantel, etc.

Left to cherish Sid's memory are his wife, Donna Carey of Olive Branch, MS; brother, R. Neill Carey (Nancy) of Salisbury, MD; brother-in-law, Gary Gardner (Terry Tucker) of Norfolk, VA; mother-in-law, Alice Tapper (Andrew Sr, deceased) of Southaven, MS; sister-in-law, Lynda Tapper (Andy, deceased) of McKinney, TX; sister-in-law, Paula Spears (Dennis) of Bartlett, TN; brother-in-law, Martin Tapper (Christina) of Memphis, TN. He will be sorely missed by many nieces, nephews, cousins, fellow church members and others who knew and loved him.

Sid was preceded in death by his stepdaughter, Lisa Kay Dickerson; his parents, Samuel Sidney Carey and Pauline White Carey; sister, Jane C. Gardner; and grandnephew, Luca Tapper.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial contributions to Getwell Church Endowment ([getwellchurch.org](http://getwellchurch.org)).

Online condolences may be made on his tribute wall at [www.colemanfuneralhomeob.com](http://www.colemanfuneralhomeob.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Desoto Memorial Gardens

630 Starlanding Road East  
Southaven, MS 38672

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 29. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Getwell Church  
7875 Getwell Road  
Southaven, MS 38672

## Funeral Service

OCT 29. 11:00 AM (CT)

Getwell Church  
7875 Getwell Road  
Southaven, MS 38672

# Tribute Wall



“ Donna, we are thinking of you during this challenging time. We are so grateful that you and Sid were able to join us in Maryland for our wedding and that we were able to spend a few extra moments with you during your visit. We love you!



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**Jasmine Winters** - October 29, 2024 at 09:20 PM

MR

“ Donna, you are in our prayers. I'm so glad we got to see you and Sid at Cullen and Jasmine's wedding. Sending our love to you.

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**Meredith Russell** - October 29, 2024 at 01:26 PM

LS

“ Donna, you are in our thoughts and prayers. I always enjoyed Sid's and your travels to Maryland and the moments we shared.

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**Laura Sileo** - October 29, 2024 at 01:00 PM

EA

“ Donna, we are so sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts.  
Erin, Ryan and Sarah Andrew

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**Erin Andrew** - October 28, 2024 at 03:33 PM

CW

“ Cullen and Jasmine Winters purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Sidney Lee Carey.

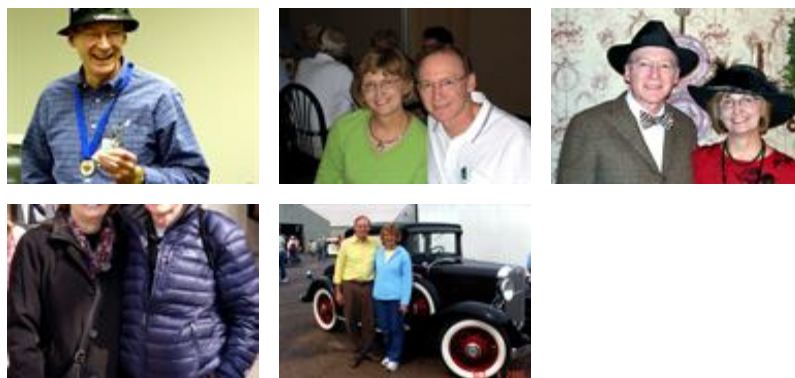


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**Cullen and Jasmine Winters** - October 28, 2024 at 12:09 PM



“ 75 files added to the album Life Tributes



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**Coleman Funeral Home (Olive Branch)** - October 28, 2024 at 11:59 AM

CM

“ Donna, you are in our prayers.  
Everyone thinks of cars when we think of Sid. My memories go back to our teens. Sid had his driver's license a few years before me. When the cousins visited, he drove me around town. We had (dad) wheels!  
Rest in peace cousin,  
Cathy McAlister

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**Catherine White McAlister** - October 28, 2024 at 10:46 AM

BK

“ Sid was a member of our Bible Study Class for 20 plus years. He was dedicated to the class and to Getwell Church, always ready to serve, even substitute teach. His love for God and His Word was evident through his faithful commitment.

Benny & Bunny Krag - October 27, 2024 at 10:44 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Sidney Lee Carey.



October 27, 2024 at 01:11 PM

CW

“ Catherine W. purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Sidney Lee Carey.



Catherine W. - October 27, 2024 at 12:16 PM

MW

“ Donna, I am so sorry for your loss.  
When the Carey cousins came to visit granddaddy White, Neil was the oldest and got to hang out with the adults. My sister Cathy and Jane went into hiding to share secrets. Sid was stuck with me, the youngest. He was my idol. He had a train set and girls did not play with trains back then. He played ball with me and was just great with me. I have many fond memories.  
Our favorite picture from Cullen and Jasmine's wedding was the one Sid took of them in the hallway.  
Rest in peace, Sid.

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**Mary Lee Winters** - October 27, 2024 at 11:30 AM

CM

“ Sid was a beloved member of our family. I enjoyed hearing about his cars and about how to catch and eat crab. I also share that special bond of being a Lambuth grad. We will miss him so much.

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**Carol Martin** - October 26, 2024 at 07:47 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Sidney Lee Carey.



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October 26, 2024 at 07:40 PM

SB

“ I first knew Sid at Lambuth College - he was 2 years ahead but he was always friendly around campus. We reconnected at IRS and were work colleagues for about 30 years. We traveled together to many classes and management meetings. Always a good dinner companion and a real gentleman. For a while he struggled with dietary issues and Donna was a champion making food he could eat, especially breads. He was so talented with car projects and a skilled craftsman on wood working projects. Unfortunately I will be out of town the day of the funeral, but my thoughts and prayers will be with everyone.

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**Susan Brown** - October 26, 2024 at 04:14 PM



“ Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Sidney Lee Carey.



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October 26, 2024 at 01:02 PM