



## Mr. Mark James Crane Sr.

July 29, 1945 - August 13, 2019

Mr. Mark James Crane Sr., 74, of Gautier, MS passed away on August 13, 2019 in Ocean Springs, MS. Mr. Crane was born in Detroit, MI on July 29, 1945. He resided in Gautier for most of his life. He was retired planner for Ingalls Shipbuilding. He was a bowling enthusiast and he was a member, past treasurer and past president of the Jackson County Bowling Association. He was a music lover and played in his high school band where he won numerous awards for his talent, after high school he joined the United States Air Force serving with pride and dedication. He was such a talented musician he was honored to play with the United States Air Force Band.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 45 years Loretta Porter Crane.

He is survived by his son Mark James Crane II of St. Petersburg FL; his sister Denise Mae Willhite of Edmond, OK; his nephews Rex Moye of Vancleave, MS and Rusty Moye of Edmond OK.

Mr. Crane wishes were that he be cremated and the no formal ceremony or funeral will be scheduled.

You may sign the online register book and send condolences to the Crane family at [www.holderwellsfuneralhome.com](http://www.holderwellsfuneralhome.com)

Holder-Wells Funeral Home at 4007 Main St. Moss Point, MS 39563 is in charge of the arrangements.

# Comments

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“ My condolences to the family. Mark and I worked together in Production Control. our desk were next to each other. Mark, myself and host others made up the first Guarantee Warranty (PS)A support team for the 1st Spruance class destroyer built at Ingalls/Litton shipbuilding. We always joke about how much time he spent on the phone, so we said he needed a 2nd phone to allow people to contact him, it was a pink toy telephone that had a ringer in when you dialed a number. This is a true story I am about to tell, Mark desk was literally a pipe material warehouse, he had so much material it was unbelievable. I had left some fried chicken in my desk that evening and when I returned the next day I open my desk draw to find that apparently a rat had gotten in the trailer were operating out of and finished off the chicken.. We wonder how the critter got in and then we noticed that Marks desk had on one side dropped through the trailer floor. The critter ate a hole through the floor near Mark's desk, which weakened the floor and so much weight in his desk. Our trailer had a lot of chain smokers, which Mark was one of them. We used to say that if anyone was coming down to see anyone in the trailer call out the person they were looking for, the smoke was so thick at times it look like a smoke screen in the trailer. He was a good friend and will be sadly missed but definitely not forgotten. I have a ton of stories I could tell people, but above all things he was a character to behold. I've never heard an ill work against him. He was well liked.

**Johnny M. Beverin** - September 01, 2019 at 10:15 PM

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“ So sad to hear of Mark's passing. I worked with him several years at the shipyard. Unfortunately, I lost touch with him. He was a wonderful man to work with. And a great husband and father. Rest In Peace Mark. Thoughts and prayers for his family!

**Nell Bozard** - August 22, 2019 at 06:04 AM

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“ Sad to hear of Marks passing.  
Worked with him for years at the shipyard.  
He was always jolly and fun to be around.  
Wish his family peace and comfort during this time of sadness.  
Pete Berry

**Pete Berry** - August 15, 2019 at 01:39 PM

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“ It saddens to hear of Mark’s passing. He was a former coworker at Ingalls and a very nice individual. May he Rest In Peace. May The Lord wrap his arms around all and grant them peace. God Bless.

**Lisa Hoskinson** - August 15, 2019 at 09:45 AM

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“ To the family of Mark, I worked with Mark at Ingalls for years. He was a good man, I lost touch with him over the passed few years. May he Rest In Peace.



**George Hinkel** - August 15, 2019 at 09:16 AM