Hugh Harvey was born April 16, 1924 in McComb, Mississippi and graduated from McComb High School. Two semesters of college were spent at Ypsilanti, Michigan in the Army Specialized Training Program, with additional graduate studies at the Agriculture Department in Washington, D.C.

In 1943 he started basic training at Camp Wolters, Texas and served in the First Battalion of the 318th Infantry Regiment of the 80th Division. In Germany in the fall of 1944 he was wounded in the leg, eventually received treatment, but ultimately lost the leg in March, 1947.

Married to Patricia D. Land on May 6, 1948 in Arlington, VA, they had 5 children: Michael William, James Steven, Kathleen Elizabeth, Mary Patricia, Martha Ann. In 1996 there were 9 grandchildren: Steve, Adam, Becky, Greg, Sarah, Brian, Allen, Jesse, Tyler.

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Separated from collection: 1 photograph taken in the White House garden on June 20, 1947: General & Mrs. Marshall, President and Mrs. Truman greet patients from Walter Reed Hospital. #7704