



## Charles Leon Ward, Jr.

August 9, 1932 - February 15, 2013

Charles Leon Ward, Jr., 80, of Laurel, died Friday, February 15, 2013, at Jasper General Nursing Home in Bay Springs.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, February 18, 2013, at Memory Chapel with burial to follow at Sharon Cemetery in Jones County. Rev. Jackie Spell will officiate.

Mr. Ward was a self-employed truck driver prior to his retirement, and was a member of Bethlehem Community Church.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Ouida Ward; grandson, Jeremy Welborn; great grandson, Joseph Ward Howard; parents, Charlie and Minnie Ward; brother, James Ward; and three sisters, Vera Hamm, Eula McCollum, and Christine Gibbs.

Survivors include one brother, Gerald Ward; one sister, Dell Scruggs; four children, Vicki and Steve Thompson of Carrollton, Donnie and Brenda Ward of Laurel, Wanda and Roy Martin of Heidelberg, and Sheila and Kenny Sikes of Bryan, TX; eight grandchildren, Shane and Tara Welborn, Michelle and Steve Morton, Chris and Angela Martin, D. D. and Josh Howard, Scott and Sarah Sikes, Kaycee and Bobby Christian, Trevor and Ashley Ward, and Brian and Jana Thompson; 24 great grandchildren, Allie Welborn, Emily Welborn, Gage Welborn, Gavin Welborn, Rob Parker, Donnie Howard, Maddie Kay Ward, Maverick Ward, Kristal Herrington, Rusty Cargile, Trey Morton, Candice Morton, Jacob Martin, Michael Alt, Breana Alt, Catherine Sikes, Kirstin Sikes, Lexie Sikes, Michael Geronime, Brady Geronime, Grace Geronime, Khloe

Christian, Emma Thompson, and Ethan Thompson; one great great grandchild, Nattalee Welborn; and a host of nieces and nephews. Pallbearers will be Chris Martin, Scott Sikes, Shane Welborn, Trevor Ward, Gage Welborn, and Josh Howard. Alternate pallbearers will be Travis Johnson and Ricky Johnson.

Visitation will be held from 5 until 8 p.m. Sunday, February 17, 2013, at Memory Chapel which is in charge of the arrangements.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *To the Ward Family. With Deepest Sympathy and Prayers that God will Comfort each of you. So sorry to hear. Sincerely, Margaret Rankin*

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**Margaret (Coker) Rankin** - February 19, 2013 at 04:14 PM

DA

“ *So sorry for your loss. Mr. Ward was a very blessed man with 24 great grandchildren! What a legacy.*

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**Debra Arning** - February 18, 2013 at 05:18 PM

JF

“ *Our deepest sympathy to you and your family.*

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**Jay Jones and Family** - February 18, 2013 at 02:42 PM

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“ *So sorry Wanda. James Bass*

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**james bass** - February 16, 2013 at 03:26 PM

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“ *So sorry to hear of your loss. My prayers are with you and your family.*

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**Kim Baker** - February 15, 2013 at 05:41 PM