



Noel Lee Matthews Jr.

December 7, 1932 - November 27, 2022

Noel Lee (Junior) Matthews Jr. passed away at his residence in Jones County on Lower Myrick Road, November 27, 2022 at the age of 89. He was born December 7, 1932 in Smith County Mississippi to Noel Lee Matthews Sr. and Willie Mae Blackwell Matthews.

Junior was self-employed, where he owned and operated heavy machinery for many years. When he was not on his dozer, Junior loved to play bluegrass music and was a talented Dobro player.

He was preceded in death by his wife Mary Rigdon Matthews, daughter Libby Matthews, father Noel Matthews Sr., mother Willie Mae Blackwell Matthews, brothers Carol Dean Matthews (Laurel), Gary Matthews (Sylvarena), and Larry Matthews Sr. (Sylvarena).

He is survived by his brother Bennie Darrell Matthews (Janie) of Sylvarena, and sister Frances Matthews of Sylvarena, along with a host of nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be held at Memory Chapel of Laurel on November 30, 2022 from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. A graveside service will follow at Myrick Cemetery on Lower Myrick Road at 2:00 p.m.

Rev. Rayburn Huff and Rev. Carl Thornton will officiate.

Pallbearers will be Ben Matthews, Josh Matthews, Matthew Sumrall, Jamie Chisolm, Gerald Chisolm, and Bryan Swan.

Honorary pallbearers will be Larry Martin and John Walters.

To sign the online guest book, visit www.memorychapellaurel.com.

Cemetery Details

Myrick Cemetery

1490 Lower Myrick Road
Laurel, MS 39443

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 30. 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM (CT)

Memory Chapel Funeral Home
3100 Audubon Drive
P. O. Box 674
Laurel, MS 39440
(601) 428-5235
memorychapel@comcast.net
<https://www.memorychapel-laurel.com/>

Graveside Service

NOV 30. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

SV

“ I also have known Mr. Matthews all my life as my grandparents' land joined his. I am sorry to hear of his passing but am rejoicing in knowing that He is now reunited with Libby and Ms. Mary, whom were his world. will be praying for family and friends at this time of loss.

Rest in Peace Mr. Matthews

Susan Varner

Susan L. Varner - November 29, 2022 at 09:30 PM

EW

“ Mr. Noel Matthews was the kindest man I ever knew. He built a lake for us around 2003. My husband knew him and his work. We have enjoyed his work for many years and are still enjoying it. My name is Eve Webb. I am the widow of James (Jimmy) Webb. I know he will be glad to see Mr. Matthews. We have often wondered if he was still living. I am so sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you and your family. God bless and be with you all.

Eve Webb - November 29, 2022 at 01:07 PM

BS

“ I've known Jr all my life. He was a good neighbor, friend and employer. Will miss him dearly.

Brian Schwan - November 28, 2022 at 08:16 PM