



Sammy J. Lindsey

October 22, 1923 - January 14, 2018

Sammy J. Lindsey, age 94, died Sunday January 14, 2018, at South Central Regional Medical Center.

Visitation will be held at Memory Chapel on Monday January 15, 2018, from 5 pm to 8 pm.

Funeral services will be held at Mr. Lindsey's home church, Mt. Vernon Methodist Church, on Tuesday January 16, 2018, at 10:00 am. Mr. Lindsey will be placed in the church at 9:00 am. Burial will follow in the church's cemetery. Reverend Davy Fenton will officiate.

Pallbearers will be Ollie Herrington, Evan Lindsey, Eric Lindsey, Carl Lindsey, A.R. (Buck) Buckley and Frankie Rucker.

Sammy graduated Glade Grammar School in the spring of 1938. He then attended Ellisville Agriculture High School, where he graduated in the spring of 1942. He attended Jones County Junior College for one year, and then joined the U.S. Army. On December 7, 1941, Japan attacked Pearl Harbor and the U.S. was at war with Japan and Germany. During his year at JCJC, he enlisted in a program of the Army called the Army Specialized Training Program and was inducted in the Army on July 1, 1943. He was sent to Fort Hood Texas for basic training, and upon completion was sent to the University of Florida for further training. This program was discontinued in the spring of

1944, and all of the students were transferred to the 94th Infantry Division located at Camp Grenada in Grenada, MS. After further training at this camp, Sammy boarded the ship Queen Mary in New York on August 6, 1944, bound for England.

In the following months, he took part in the following battles and campaigns: Northern France, Ardennes, Rhineland and Central Europe. He was awarded the following Decorations and Citations: ATO Medal, EAMETO Medal, Good Conduct Medal, Bronze Star Medal, and World War II Victory Medal. During all these actions he received no wounds or injuries. On December 30, 1945, he departed France and arrived in New York on January 9, 1946. From there he went to Camp Shelby, MS and was given an Honorable Discharge on January 16, 1946.

Sammy was employed by the United Postal Service in Laurel, MS in June of 1958, and retired in January 1985. He began his employment as a substitute city carrier, and retired as the Manager of Mail Processing. From 1954 until 1971 he served as the Scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 30.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Virginia Merle Lindsey, and his three brothers Billy Lindsey, Jimmy Lindsey and Thad C. Lindsey Jr.

He is survived by his daughter, Cindy Herrington of the Glade community; his son, Ken Lindsey and wife Rhonda of the Glade community; three grandchildren, Ollie Herrington (Bridget), Evan Lindsey (Katie) and Eric Lindsey (Micah); six great-grandchildren, Isaac Herrington, Jackson Lindsey, Camryn Lindsey, Charlotte Lindsey, Charley Wells and Abi Schwab.

To view and sign our online guestbook visit www.memorychapellaurel.com

Cemetery Details

Mt. Vernon Church Cemetery

839 Hwy 15 South
Laurel, MS 39443

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **15**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 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/>

Service

JAN **16**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Mt. Vernon Church
839 Hwy 15 South
Laurel, MS 39443

Tribute Wall

MT

“ My daddy and mother, Benny and Ann Reynolds, loved and respected Sammy Lindsey. Growing up as the daughter of a Laurel mail carrier, I heard his name often. I'm praying for you all. Merry Beth Reynolds Tigert

Merry Tigert - January 15, 2018 at 11:32 PM

CL

“ I am grateful to my Uncle Sammy for all of the things he taught me and shared with me over the years. Very few people can claim to have had the best uncles but I can and he was one. I will miss him and am sorry I cannot be their to share love and grief with all who knew and loved him. Hugs to you all. Carrie Beth

Carrie Lindsey - January 15, 2018 at 05:16 PM

SR

“ Cindy, Ken and Rhonda, I am so very sorry to learn of Mr. Sammy's passing. He was such a kind, gentle soul. David and I are praying for God's peace to envelope each of you in the coming days and weeks.

Susan Rayner - January 15, 2018 at 03:25 PM

JS

“ We will always remember Brother Sammy as one of the nicest, most patient people we ever knew. Not only did he have to put up with a gaggle of giggling girls in Sunday School at Mt. Vernon, but then he went to Glade High School on Monday and had to face our silly giggling for the rest of the week!!! How he did it we will never know.

And after all that we must have put him through, the last time we saw Brother Sammy, he and Virginia Merle gave all of us Sumrall Girls big hugs and bright smiles.

You will be missed Brother Sammy, but while you are in heaven just listen out for the sound of giggling because we know we will meet again.

We offer our prayers and warm thoughts for his family and all who loved this dear man.

Betty (Round), Jeanette (Smith) and Jeanelle (Meadows) Sumrall

Jeanette Smith - January 15, 2018 at 05:35 AM

RH

“ How could there ever be a greater Scout Master? A wonderful calm, quiet, serious man who lead us in so many good and fun and hard things that shaped our lives.

Rolfe Hunt - January 14, 2018 at 08:52 PM

WT

“ I stopped and chatted with Mr Sam last year .
He was running his lawn mower and enjoying life ,as usual.
We spoke of how short life on earth was, and of years past.
I took a couple pictures and went on bout my business.

Wayne Touchstone - January 14, 2018 at 08:29 PM