



Walter Gordon Byrd, Sr.

October 20, 1920 - January 3, 2014

Walter Gordon Byrd, Sr., born October 20, 1920, died Friday, January 3, 2014, at the age of 93.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, January 6, 2014, at Calhoun First Baptist Church with burial to follow in the church cemetery. Rev. Leon Carmical and Rev. Harold Holifield will officiate. The body will be placed in the church at 1 p.m. Monday.

Mr. Byrd was the son of Henry Irvin Byrd and Dora Eidson Byrd. He was one of 13 children.

He is survived by his wife, Wilma Newton Byrd; four children, Frances Cheek, Judy Byrd, Patty Byrd, and Walt Byrd; four grandsons, David Cheek, Eric Cheek, John Davis, and Matthew Byrd; and two granddaughters, Bridgett Byrd and Kaitlyn Byrd. Also surviving Mr. Byrd are three great granddaughters, Kayley Byrd, Emmaline Cheek, and Catherine Cheek; and two great grandsons, Nicholas Miller and Tyler Davis.

He was preceded in death by his parents; five brothers, Orion, Wilburn, Kenneth, Joe, and Donald; and six sisters, Gracie Martin, Minnie Hinton, Effie Lee Gatewood, Dorothy Temple, Daisy Sharp, and Helen Sullivan. He is survived by one brother, Darrell Byrd.

He served in the Army in World War II. He was a deacon of Pine Ridge Baptist Church and Calhoun First Baptist Church.

Visitation will be held from 5 until 8 p.m. Sunday, January 5, 2014, at Memory Chapel which is in charge of the arrangements. To view and sign the family

guest book, visit www.memorychapellaurel.com.

Tribute Wall

BH

“ *Mrs. Byrd may God comfort you and your family in your loss. Mr. Byrd was a good man, we thought a lot of him and you too.*

Bobbie Welborn, Donna Hall & Lisa Hathorne - January 06, 2014 at 06:05 PM

SB

“ *Walter Gordon Byrd, Sr.*

Sheila touchstone Bassett - January 06, 2014 at 04:04 PM

DH

“ *Patty and family,I am truly sorry to hear of your father's passing.Please know that Peggy and I are praying for you. May God strengthen you in this time of sorrow.*

Don Hurst - January 06, 2014 at 02:51 PM

DM

“ *Both Mr. and Mrs. Byrd have been wonderful examples of how to live the Christian life. They didn't seek praise for themselves, but ministered to others freely. All those years of regular church attendance, Sunday School lessons, and rides to church when I needed them really left an impression on me. Mrs. Byrd, please accept my gratitude for this and sympathy for you and your family.*

Debbie Nix McGlaun - January 04, 2014 at 12:09 PM

JI

“ *So sorry for your loss and praying for your comfort!*
Jim

Jim.Hill - January 04, 2014 at 08:09 AM

BB

“ Dear Frances and family, We send our sympathies and condolences to all of you. Your parents and mine were friends with great respect for one another. (Duane and Lois Holifield). In fact our Dad's grew up next to one another. Good people! We miss them all. Take care. With Love, Beverly (Holifield) Buckley

Beverly "Holifield" Buckley - January 03, 2014 at 08:39 PM

AB

“ So sorry for your loss. Praying for God to give you comfort and peace during these days. God bless you.

Amy Busby - January 03, 2014 at 05:02 PM