



## Wendell Ray Stringer

September 26, 1923 - October 11, 2013

Wendell Ray Stringer, 90, of Laurel, MS passed away on October 11, 2013. Graveside services will be held at 4 p.m. Monday, October 14, 2013, at Lake Park Hills Cemetery in Laurel.

He was born in Laurel, MS on September 23, 1923. He was the oldest son of Jet Taylor Stringer and Stella Hankins Stringer Green. He married Donna Lee Hawthorne Stringer on May 16, 1945. He attended Taylorsville High School and was the oldest living Taylorsville Tartar football player.

Ray was a World War II veteran. He served under General Douglas McArthur and Admiral Bull Halsey on the USS Half Moon. He was involved in the Battle of Leyte Gulf in the South Pacific.

Ray was self-employed all of his life and retired as owner of Stringer's Seafood.

Ray was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Clytee Ainsworth.

Ray is survived by his wife of 68 years, Donna Lee Hawthorne; brother, Joe Stringer (Deborah); daughter, Suzanne Johnson (Billy Carl); son, Wendell Stringer (Terri); granddaughters, Stacie Mauldin (Lance), Wendy Herring (Mark); grandsons, Brad Johnson (Kim), Justin Stringer (Kerri); and great-grandchildren, Carly, Caleb, and Cade Mauldin, Taylor and Garrett Herring, Madelyn and Anna Kathryn Johnson, and Finn and Ollie Stringer; all of Laurel. He is also survived by a host of nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers will be Mike "Skeeter" Robertson, Joe Michael Robertson, Chuck Robertson, Jonathan Robertson, Mickey Holloway, and Tony Johnson.

Visitation will be held from 5 until 7 p.m. Sunday, October 13, 2013, at Memory Chapel which is in charge of the arrangements.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Wendell Ray Stringer*

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