

# Howard County Obituaries

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## **Ackley, Brooke Danielle** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Brooke Danielle Ackley, age 1 month 28 days, of Dierks, Arkansas, was born March 10, 2009 in Hot Springs, Arkansas. She passed from this life on Friday, May 8, 2009 at her home. Brooke is survived by her parents, Heath Donald and Jamie Lynette Whitaker Ackley of Dierks; two sisters, Madison and Zoie Ackley; a twin brother Brayden; maternal grandparents, Charles and Sheila Whitaker of Newhope, Arkansas; paternal grandparents, George and Carolyn Ackley of Nashville, Arkansas; great grandparents, Ray and Ethel Pinkerton of Newhope, Wilma Whitaker of Dierks and Lendell and Wilma Cogburn Hale of Dierks; great great-grandmothers, Beatrice Arnold of Dierks and Nellie Hall of Mt. View, Arkansas; one aunt and two uncles, Kaela and Clay Beilstein of Bismark, Arkansas and Adam Ackley of Nashville, Arkansas. She is preceded in death by four great grandparents, J.W. "Cotton" Whitaker, Thomas and Alma Ackley and Jewell Cogburn. Funeral Services for Brooke Danielle Ackley will be held at 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 13, 2009 in the Pleasant Grove Free Will Baptist Church with Kenny Fant and Roger Arnold officiating. Burial will follow in the Pleasant Grove Cemetery near Newhope under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home in Dierks. The family will receive friends from 6:00-8:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 12th at the funeral home in Dierks.

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## **Albright, Ivah Jean Thomas**

Submitted by: [Charlotte Manuel](#)

McCurtain Gaz.12/APR/1998

Funeral services for Ivah Jean Thomas Albright, a 1953 graduate of Broken Bow High School, were Monday at Colonial Hills Baptist Church with the Rev. Robert Carter officiating. Burial was in Cathedral in the Pines Cemetery under the direction of Burks-Walker-Tippit Funeral Home, Tyler Texas. Albright died March 27 in Tyler. She was the daughter of the late Charlie and Lena Thomas, and was born July 8, 1935 in Dierks, ARK. She received her bachelor of music education degree from Phillips University in Enid, and taught in Austin, Waco, Dallas, and Tyler before retiring from Whitehouse Independent School District in 1994. She also taught voice and piano and was founder and director of Tyler Children's School of Performing Arts and a member of Colonial Hills Baptist Church. Survivors include her husband James B. Albright, Tyler; two sons, Blain

Douglas Albright,Quincy,ILL. and James Matthew Albright,Tyler;and two grandchildren.

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## **Alexander, Estelle Jackson** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Mrs. Estelle Jackson Alexander, age 90, a resident of Lockesburg, Arkansas died Wednesday, January 28, 2009 in the Howard Memorial Hospital in Nashville, Arkansas. She was born July 16, 1918 in Liberty Hill, Arkansas to George and Mary Arnold Jackson. She was a homemaker and a member of the Greens Chapel Methodist Church. Mrs. Alexander was preceded in death by her parents; her husband Clarence Dale Alexander on June 1, 1972 and a son-in-law, Marlin St. John. She is survived by one son and daughter-in-law, Jimmy C. Alexander and Kaye of Dierks; one daughter, Joyce St. John of Hot Springs; five grandchildren, Karen Pounders, Laurie Stephens, Greg, Brian and Michael St. John; five great-grandchildren, Hayden Stephens, Kobe Pounders, Sarah St. John, Rebecca Tilley and Rachel Farrell. Funeral services for Mrs. Alexander will be held at 11:00 a.m., Friday, January 30, 2009 in the Greens Chapel Methodist Church with Rev. Dany Partlow officiating. Burial will follow in the Greens Chapel Cemetery, under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home in Dierks. The family will receive friends from 6:00-8:00 p.m., Thursday, January 29th at the funeral home in Dierks.

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## **Alexander, Lorain Bert**

Submitted by: [Charlotte Manuel](#)

McCurtain Gaz. Thursday Nov 5,1998

Lorain Bert Alexander,74,of Broken Bow,died Tuesday,Nov. 3 in Texarkana,Texas. He was born Jan.22,1924 in Dierks,Ark. Alexander lived in Broken Bow for the past seven years, moving from Beaumont,Texas. He was a truck driver for International Galvanizers Inc.,and was of the Baptist faith. He and Kathleen Johnson were united in marriage on Oct. 13,1992 in Mena,Ark. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge No. 441 in Broken Bow and Independent Order of Oddfellows in California. Survivors include his wife,Kathleen Alexander of the home; a daughter,Sherry, of California; two stepdaughters, Marilyn Wade of Broken Bow and Elaine Johnson of Dallas,Texas; two stepsons, Craig Johnson of Broken Bow and Bruce Johnson of Oklahoma City; a stepsister, Grace Cook of Broken Bow; one niece, Kay Cason of Nacogdoches, Texas; and one nephew, Scott Conner of Texarkana,Ark. Funeral services will be

Friday, Nov 6, at 2 p.m. at Norwood-Leonard Chapel, Broken Bow, with the Rev. Mike Napier officiating. Burial will follow in Crown Hill Cemetery.

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## **Alexander, R. T.**

Submitted by: [Ken Milam](#)

R. T. Alexander died Monday, May 17, 1993, in a Murfreesboro Hospital. He was born March 19, 1932 at Athens to William Lawrence Alexander and Ollie Angelee Hunter Alexander. He was the owner and operator of R. Ts Grocery and Station and a member of Athens Free Holiness Church. He was an U.S. Army veteran. Survivors include his wife, Thelma Alexander of Athens; four sons; Keith, Steve and Ronald Alexander, all of Athens, Jeff Alexander of Briggsville; Three daughters, Jeannie York of Langley, Brenda Webb of Clarksville and Carolyn Huffman of Arkadelphia; 15 grandchildren; two sisters, Ova Jean Cogburn and Elouise Alexander, both of Mena; and two brothers, Doyne Alexander of Mena and Mitchell Alexander of LaPorte, Texas. Services will be at 1:00 PM, Wednesday in Athens Free Holiness Church with Brothers O.R. Seals and Dale Crawford officiating. Burial will be in Saline Cemetery near Athens under the direction of Davis-Smith Funeral home of Glennwood.

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## **Arivett, Shirley Inez (Howard)**

Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Shirley Inez (Howard) Arivett, age 67, of Newhope, died Friday, January 19, 2007. She was born on January 22, 1939, at Coleman, Oklahoma, the daughter of Johnny William Howard and Bonnie Mae Lattie Howard. On March 22, 1956, she was married to Vernon Leon Arivett. She is preceded in death by her parents. She was a member of the Bissell Chapel Community Church in Newhope and was retired from Weyerhaeuser Company. She is survived by her husband, Vernon Leon Arivett of Newhope; two sons and daughters-in-law, Gary Michael and Cherrie Arivett of Athens and Timothy "Timmy" Charles and Charlotte Arivett of DeQueen; three daughters and two sons-in-law, Yvonne Diane and Royce Pate of Athens, Sheila Renee and mark Collins of Athens, and Patricia Carol Arivett of Newhope; two brothers, Quentin Howard of Texarkana and Leonard Howard of Plainview; four sisters, Ivone Aricett of Garland, Texas, Christene Crump of Langley, Helen Arivett of Langley, and Ella Black of Mount Ida; six grandchildren; and a number of nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be Tuesday, January 23, 2007, at 2:00 PM with Bro, Dale Crawford

officiating. Interment will be in the Athens Cemetery by Davis-Smith Funeral Home of Glenwood, Arkansas. Pallbearers will be Paul Arivett, John Crump, Daniel Crump, Bruce Howard, Greg Black and Jeffrey Black.

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## **Arnold, John Wesley**

Submitted by: [Donnie Mounts](#)

John Wesley Arnold, age 68 died May 1, 1994 in Nashville. He was born November 7th, 1925 in Locksburg, Arkansas. He was a retired Security Guard for Weyerhaeuser and a member of the Dierks Church of Christ. Survivors include: His wife – Dovie Mounts Arnold of Dierks. 1 son Dennis Arnold of Nashville, and 1 daughter Christene Kelly of Lawrenceville, Illinois. Two sisters, Faye Hendrix of Albany, Oregon and Fern Ondo of Richmond, Indiana. Three grandsons, & one granddaughter. Entered into rest at Sunshine Cemetery in Howard County.

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## **Austin, Marvin "Pete"** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Marvin "Pete" Austin, age 93, of Umpire, passed away Friday, December 30, 2005. He was born on December 1, 1912 at Langley, the son of William Lafayette Austin and Tamsey LeRoy Linville Austin. On April 28, 1939, he married Mildred Spaine Brinkley Austin who preceded him in death on June 16, 2003. He was also preceded in death by his brother, Lowell Austin and his sister, Jewel Davasher. Mr. Austin was a retired school teacher, teaching from 1939 until 1968 in the Pike County School Systems with his main tenure in the Langley Schools. He received his degree from Henderson State Teachers College in 1956. He served Pike County as state representative from 1952-1958. He was a member of the Buffalo Gap Masonic Lodge #484 where he served as secretary for 66 years. He was a member of the Daisy Church of Christ where he served as elder. He enjoyed hunting where from 1965 until 2005 he never missed an elk hunt in New Mexico. He was also an avid Razorback fan, enjoyed traveling, playing golf and had mastered the art of telling stories to anyone who would listen. He is survived by one son and daughter-in-law, John and Linda Austin of Baker City, Oregon; three daughters and two sons-in-law, Judy Hobson of Springdale, Sandra and Mike Pinson of Daisy and Gayle and Terry Doster of Kirby; thirteen grandchildren and spouses, Craig and Cheryl Austin of Wilsonville, Oregon, Tim and Leslie Austin of Nampa, Idaho, Launa and Jeff Morphew of Langley, Caryn

and Brad Pierce of Springdale, Laura and Randy Golden of Daisy, Paul Doster of Kirby, Lesli and Kyle Efird of Umpire, Alice Hobson of Springdale, Jennifer and Chris Watkins of Baker City, Oregon, Teresa and Scotty Hardage of Kirby, Danny and Aimee Hobson of Rogers, Kari and Scott Lowrey of Kirby and Kimberly and Ricky Pennington of Kirby; twenty-three great-grandchildren, Ali and Cole Austin, Luke and Lily Austin, Austin and Sydney Pierce, Jack Baird, Caleb, Ty and Blake Anderson, Thomas and Samuel Morpew, Lauran and CaSandra Golden, Melina Lovett, Samantha and Tristan Deputy, Camryn Johnson, Alexandra Efird, Benjamin and Maggie Hardage, Taryn and Chandler Brinkley Lowrey; one great-great-grandchild, Spencer Crain; one sister-in-law, Jessie Austin of Glenwood; a special family member, Ray Counts of Mena; several nieces, nephews and cousins. Services will be held at 2:00 PM, Wednesday, January 4, 2006 at the Langley Hall Church with Roger Cox, Ed Coffman and Randy Jones officiating. Visitation will be Tuesday evening, 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM. Interment will be in the Langley Hall Cemetery under the direction of Davis-Smith Funeral Home, Glenwood. Pallbearer will be Randy Austin, Craig Austin, Tim Austin, Paul Doster, Danny Hobson, Thomas Morpew, Sam Morpew and Benjamin Hardage. Honorary pallbearers will be all past basketball teams and students of Langley Public Schools, members of the Buffalo Gap Masonic Lodge #484, members of the Daisy Church of Christ, Leroy Linville, Ray Linville, Jackie Pinson, Jimmy Jones, Randy Jones, Reggie Jones, Dr. Clay Ferguson, Dr. Sam Peebles, and the nurses and staff of Howard Memorial Hospital. Memorials may be made to the Pete and Ma Austin Scholarship Fund, c/o First National Bank, P O Box 123, Dierks, Arkansas, 71833 or The Langley Hall Cemetery, c/o Patsy Morpew, 915 Hwy 369 North, Langley, Arkansas, 71952.

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## **Austin, Mildred Spaine Brinkley** Submitted by: [Royce](#)

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Mildred Spaine Brinkley Austin, age 81, of Umpire, passed away Monday, June 16, 2003. She was born April 20, 1922, in Paris, Texas, the daughter of John James Brinkley and Alice Tennessee Brinkley. On April 28, 1939, she married Marvin "Pete" Austin. Mildred was a retired school teacher. She taught for thirty years in the Daisy, Kirby, Langley, Umpire and Dierks School Systems. After retirement, she enjoyed substitute teaching and was a favorite of her students because she always related to young people as she was young at heart. Her hobbies were painting and sharing pictures of her family. She was an avid Arkansas Razorback fan, but loved everything Texas. She is survived by her husband, Pete Austin of Umpire; one son and daughter-in-law, John and Linda

**Austin of Baker City, Oregon; three daughters and two sons-in-law, Judy Hobson of Springdale, Sandra and Mike Pinson of Daisy and Gayle and Terry Doster of Kirby; thirteen grandchildren and spouses, Craig and Cheryl Austin of Wilsonville, Oregon, Tim and Leslie Austin of Nampa, Idaho, Launa and Jeff Morphew of Langley, Caryn and Brad Pierce of Springdale, Laura Golden of Daisy, Paul Doster of Kirby, Lesli Johnson of Kirby, Alice Hobson of Springdale, Jennifer and Chris Watkins of Baker City, Oregon, Teresa and Scotty Hardage of Kirby, Danny Hobson of Springdale, Kari and Scott Lowrey of Kirby, and Kimberly and Ricky Pennington of Kirby; Eighteen great-grandchildren, Ali and Cole Austin, Luke and Lily Austin, Austin and Sydney Pierce, Jack Baird, Thomas and Samuel Morphew, Lauran and CaSandra Golden, Samantha and Tristan Deputy, Camryn Johnson, Benjamin and Maggie Hardage, Taryn and Chandler Brinkley Lowrey; two sisters, Lucille Eades of Rotan, Texas and Nina Hopper of Conroe, Texas; one sister-in-law, Jessie Austin of Glenwood; a special family member, Ray Counts of Mena; and several nieces, nephews and cousins. Services will be at 2:00 PM, Friday, June 20, 2003, in the Langley Hall Church with Lowell Lites and Roger Cox officiating. Interment will be in the Langley Hall Cemtery under the direction of Davis-Smith Funeral Home, Glenwood. Memorials may be made to the Langley Hall Cemetery Association, 2285 Hwy 84W, Glenwood, Arkansas 71943, or to the charity of your choice. Visitation will be Thursday evening, 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Pallbearers will be Craig Austin, Tim Austin, Paul Doster, Danny Hobson, Thomas Morphew, Samuel Morphew, Randy Austin and Mac Eades. Honorary pallbearers will be Jackie Pinson, Terry Kesterson, Lemeul O'Neal, Gene Hobson, Flanoy Manasco, Janet Smith, Donnie Cowart, Jimmy Jones, Randy Jones, Dr. Timothy Webb, the staff of Genesis Cancer Center and the staff of St. Joseph's 4 West Oncology Unit.**

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**Austin, Pat (Sirmon)** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

**Pat Austin, age 70, of Glenwood, died Saturday, July 11, 2009. She was born on March 7, 1939 at Athens, Arkansas, the daughter of Rev. Autrey Sirmon and Ina Mozelle Tipton Sirmon. On July 25, 1958, she was married to Jack Austin who preceded her in death on July 10, 1973. She was also preceded in death by her parents; her great-grandson, Kyle Jordan; and her father-in-law and mother-in-law, Lowell and Jessie Austin. She was a certified nursing assistant with home health care. Survivors are her son Randy Austin of Glenwood; her daughter, Stephanie Smith of Bryant; three grandchildren, Jennifer Smith, Lyndsey Smith and Jack Randall Austin; three brothers, Gene Sirmon of Brandon, Mississippi, Gary Sirmon of Dierks and Jay Sirmon of Mena; two sisters, Carol Jones of Dierks and Chren Kesterson of Hot Springs; her sister-in-law, Jill Binder of**

Austin, Texas; and several nieces and nephews. Services will be held at 2:00 PM, Monday, July 13, 2009 in the Glenwood United Methodist Church with Rev. Glen Harris and Rev. Robbie Horne officiating. Visitation will be Sunday, 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM. Interment will be in the Glenwood Cemetery under the direction of Davis-Smith Funeral Home, Glenwood.

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## **Bearden, Mrs. Stacy May**

Submitted by: [Donnie Mounts](#)

Mrs. Stacy May Bearden, aged 83, resident of De Queen, died Tuesday, Oct 23, 1990 in Ridgeview Lodge Nursing Home. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 25, in the Church of Christ of Dierks with Roger Harris, minister, officiating. Burial will follow in Dierks Cemetery, under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral home. She was born June 14, 1907 in Virginia: was the widow of Archie Bearden Sr: and a member of Dierks Church of Christ. Survivors are two sons, Burley Bearden of Benton and Archie Bearden Jr. of Dierks: three daughters, Norene Roberson of DeQueen, Ozella Brummett of Little Rock, and Eunice Quinn of Pine Bluff: three brothers, Roy Mounts, George Mounts, and Wilburn Mounts all of Dierks,: four sisters, Nannie Cook, Maudie Golden and Hester Kesterson, all of Dierks, and Flora Harris of DeQueen: 15 grandchildren: 18 great-grandchildren: and a number of nieces and nephews

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## **Beauchamp, Mary Jane "Molly" Ward**

Submitted by: [Gary Hawley](#)

Article appeared Saturday 9 Mar 1895

The many friends of Honorable S.J. Beauchamp, ex-county judge, will be pained to learn of the sudden death of his wife which event occurred so unexpectedly last Saturday night at about 10 o'clock. She ate supper at the usual hour and appeared to be in good health, but was attacked with a violent coughing and expired suddenly.

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## **Arnold, Dovie Faye**

Submitted by: [Randy Bearden](#)

Funeral services were scheduled at 3 p.m. Monday, 14 June 1999 in the Dierks

Church of Christ for Dovie Faye Arnold, 66 Tommy Mounts and James McRae officiated. Burial was in the Sunshine Cemetery near Center Point under the direction of Nashville Funeral Home. Mrs. Arnold was born 2 Nov. 1932, daughter of the late George and Annie Dalrymple Mounts. She died Saturday 12 June 1999 Texarkana hospital. She was a homemaker and member of the Dierks Church of Christ. Mrs. Arnold was preceded in death by her husband, John W. Arnold, and a son Dennis Arnold. Survivors include: a daughter, Christiene Kelly of Lawrenceville, Ill.; a sister, Georgia Kirkpatrick of Texarkana; four grandchildren; and several nephews and nieces.

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## **Barnes, Virgil**

Submitted by: [Wilma Duggar](#)

February 9, 1967 Norman, Oklahoma

Services for Virgil Barnes, 66, Kansas street, will be at 10:30 A.M. Saturday at the Primrose Chapel with internment in the IOOF Cemetery. A barber, Barnes died Thursday at Norman Municipal Hospital. Born in Nathan, AR, he had lived in Norman for 40 years and was member of McFarland Memorial Methodist Church. He is survived by his wife Lillie Mae, of the home, a son, Paul, LaPorte, TX. and a daughter, Mrs. Jean Storseth, Amarillo, TX.: Four grandchildren; three brothers, R.E., Oklahoma City, C.B., Kansas City, KA. and Dea Armona. Calif., and five sisters, Mrs. Stan Randall, Mineral Springs, AR., Mrs. W.R. Taylor and Mrs. Beulah Lewis, both of Nashville, AR., Mrs. R.C. Britt, Wenatchee, WA., and Mrs. James Summerville, Little Rock, AR.

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## **Bearden, Gertrude**

Submitted by: [ROYCE LEE PATE](#)

b. Friday, February 26, 1904 d. Friday, March 26, 1999 Funeral Service Burg Church Of Christ Burg Community, Ar Officiating Bro. Bill Tarlton Interment in Bethel Cemetery Umpire, Ar Wilkerson Funeral Home DeQueen, Ar

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## **Bennett, Edwin Lloyd (Pete)** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Edwin Lloyd (Pete) Bennett, 81, of Texarkana, TX, died Saturday, August 14, 2010, at his home. He was born August 1, 1929, in Nashville, AR, the son of the late Gus and Lelia Myrtle Seals Bennett. He was preceded in death by three



brothers and two sisters. He is survived by his wife, Linda Bennett of Texarkana, TX; three sons, Gary Bennett of Cypress, CA, Blaine Mattson and Chad Mattson both of Minneapolis, MN; two daughters, Teresa Stretz of Rialto, CA and Karen McCarty of Benton, AR; one brother, Oscar Bennett of Texarkana, AR; two sisters, Myrtle Walston and Marvelle Freeman both of Texarkana, AR; nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; and a host of friends. Services are scheduled for 10:00 A.M., Wednesday, August 18, at Latimer Funeral Home Chapel, with Kevin Holt officiating, burial in County Line Cemetery, under the direction of Latimer Funeral Home, Nashville.

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## **Bissell, Homer**

Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Homer Bissell, 78 of New Hope, Arkansas Died - Tuesday, May 5, 1981, at a Glenwood, Arkansas, nursing home. Born - October 11, 1902, at New Hope, Arkansas. He was a retired farmer. Member of the Freewill Baptist Church. Survivors: Several Nephew & Nieces Funeral - 10:30 a.m. Thursday, May 7, 1981 Bissell Chapel Church at New Hope, Arkansas Officiating Minister - Bro Raymond Dees Burial - Bissell Chapel Cemetery at New Hope, Arkansas by the Latimer Funeral Home of Nashville, Arkansas

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## **Bissell, John D. "Pete"** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

John D. (Pete) Bissell, age 79, of Center Point, died Wednesday, July 1, 2009 after a lengthy illness. He was born Dec. 29, 1929 near the Mineola community in northern Howard County, Arkansas to Walter A. and Ada F. Whatley Bissell. A lifetime resident of Center Point, he was a veteran of the United States Army and a founding member of the Center Point Volunteer Fire Department. He was a member of the Center Point Church of Christ, where he served as Elder for more than 20 years and Sunday school teacher for more than 40 years. He enjoyed dabbling in his many hobbies, including gardening, woodworking, golf, fishing and traveling. He was preceded in death by his parents and seven siblings: Grady Whatley, Roy Bissell, Marguerite Bissell Burney, Glen Bissell, Ernestine Coleman Davis, Lester Bissell, Billie Ruth Bissell and JoDean Bissell. Survivors include his wife of 50 years, Joyce LaVerne Bissell; two daughters/sons-in-law, Denise and Fern Marin of Fort Worth, Texas, and Brenda and Dennis McCrary of Nashville; one son and daughter-in-law, Ken and Renee Bissell of Nashville, Tenn.; seven grandchildren, Brandi Phea of Fort

Worth, Texas; Jonathan, Michael and Jennifer McCrary of Nashville; and Olivia, Aaron and Zachary Bissell of Nashville, Tenn.; three great-grandchildren, Derrick and Adrian Walker and London Phea of Fort Worth, Texas. And a host of other family and friends. Funeral services will be Friday, July 3 at 2 p.m. at the Center Point Church of Christ with Ray Nation and Ken Bissell officiating. Pall bearers are Jonathan McCrary, Michael McCrary, Aaron Bissell, Bobby Billings, Jr., Steve Billings and Steve Spigner, with members of the Center Point Volunteer Fire Department serving as honorary pall bearers. Burial will follow in the Center Point Cemetery. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Thursday night from 6 to 8 pm. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Center Point Church of Christ or the Center Point Volunteer Fire Department.

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## **Brakebill, Susie**

Submitted by: [Jackye Manue](#)

21 JUL 1965

**MRS. BRAKEBILL SUCCUMBS TODAY**

Mrs. Albert Brakebill, (Susie Smith), 64, Idabel, died at 1:30 a.m. today in a Paris TX., hospital. Born March 29, 1901, at Nashville, Ar., she had resided in Idabel 52 years, moving from Nashville. She was a member of the Missionary Baptist Church. She is survived by heeer husband, five sones, George Brakebill, Houston, Tx., Lewis Brakebill, Little Rock, Ar., Billy Joe Brakebill, Sacramento, Ca., and Lloyd and Wilburn Brakebill both of Idabel; three daughters, Mrs. David Pole, Amarillo, Tx., Mrs. Gerald Allen, Lufkin, Tx., and Mrs. Harold Sorrells, Idabel; one half-brother, Perry Forrester, Idabel; one half-sister, Mrs. Clude Tinsley, Idabel, and 17 grandchildren. Arrangements are under direction of Norwood-Welch Funeral Home.

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## **Britt, Kenneth Ernest "Sonny"**

Submitted by: [dm32356@worldverge.com](mailto:dm32356@worldverge.com)

1935 - 2005

Kenneth Ernest "Sonny" Britt, age 69, a resident of Dierks, AR, died Tuesday, November 1, 2005 in the Howard Memorial Hospital in Nashville, AR. He was born November 28, 1935 in Dierks to Elmer Lafette and Hazel Smith Britt. He was a retired cab driver. He is survived by three daughters, Martha Mayberry,

Marla Babson, and Jessie Dye; one son, Kenneth Allan Britt; one brother, Hershel Britt; two sisters, Tommie Mounts and Peggy Moore; 18 grandchildren and a number of nieces and nephews. Funeral services for Mr. Britt will be held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, November 4, 2005 in the Wilkerson Funeral Home, Dierks Chapel, with Rev. Jimmy Jester officiating. Burial will follow in the Dierks Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 6-8 p.m. Thursday, November 3, 2005 at the Dierks Chapel.

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## **Brock, Herman Mack** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Mr. Herman Mack Brock, age 86, a resident of Dierks, Arkansas died Wednesday, December 23, 2009 in the Baptist Medical Center in Little Rock, Arkansas. Mr. Brock was born May 4, 1923 in Howard County, Arkansas. He was a logger and farmer; he was a U.S. Army Veteran having served during WWII and he was a member of the Holly Creek Missionary Baptist Church. Mr. Brock was preceded in death by his parents, Fritz and Myrtle Lemons Brock; three brothers Preston, Olin and Doyle Brock. He is survived by his wife, Effie Lois Reed Brock of Dierks; two daughters and sons-in-law, Sharon Ackley and Rodney of Nashville, Arkansas and Glenda Hogden and Nelson of Dierks; three brothers, Cletus, Gene and Bobby Brock all of Dierks; two sisters, Ivy Mae Miller of Minden, Louisiana and Mary Elliot of Hot Springs, Arkansas; four grandchildren, Stephania Ray, Susan House, Lisa Reid and Wayne Hogden; 9 great grandchildren, 4 great-great grandchildren and a number of nieces and nephews. Funeral Services for Mr. Brock will be held at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, December 26, 2009 in the Holly Creek Missionary Baptist Church with Bro. Wayne Reed and Bro. Glen Reed officiating. Burial will follow in the Fellowship Cemetery, under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home in Dierks. The family will receive friends from 6:00-8:00 p.m., Friday, December 25th at the funeral home in Dierks.

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## **Canant, Charlene**

Submitted by: [Charlotte Manuel](#)  
McCurtain Gaz. Tue. 4/May/1999

Canant Rites this morning Charlene Canant, 83, of Idabel, died Sunday, May 2, 1999, in Idabel. She was born Nov 19,1915 in Center Point,AR. Canant lived most of her life in McCurtain Co. She was a member of Bypass Church of Christ and was a homemaker. She was preceded in death by her parents, William Wiley

Womack and Ola Dossey Womack; one brother and one sister. Survivors include her husband, Julius Canant of Idabel; a son and daughter-in-law, Windred and Delores Canant of Hugo; a daughter and son-in-law, Davene and Boyd Warren of Idabel; a brother, Bill Womack of Idabel; two sisters, Pat Murphy and Eutive Jordan, both of Idabel; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Funeral services were this morning at Norwood-Leonard Funeral Home, Idabel. Mr. Roy Risley and Mr. Steve Powers officiated. Burial folled in Denison Cemetery.

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## **Carpenter, Joe Dean**

Submitted by: [rlpate@windstream.net](mailto:rlpate@windstream.net)

Joe Dean Carpenter, age 69, of Nashville, passed away, Friday, December 19, 2008, at a Nashville nursing home. He was born November 20, 1939, at Enon, AR, the son of the late Fay and Minnie Simkins Carpenter. Mr. Carpenter was a very active member of Life Tabernacle United Pentecostal Church. During his lifetime he held many roles as a Sunday School Superintendent, Sunday School Teacher, Youth Leader, Song Leader and Deacon. He was a retired USDA Poultry grader. He is survived by his wife, Judy Peden Carpenter of Nashville, AR; two sons and daughters-in-law Kendall and Marjorie Carpenter of Nashville, AR, Kevin and Janet Carpenter of Nashville, AR; two daughters and sons-in-law Connie and Kenneth Williams of Brandon, Manitoba, Canada, Karin and Terry Crow of Valley Springs, AR; three brothers, Bob Carpenter of Green Forest, AR, Dwayne Carpenter of Houston, TX and Gary Carpenter of Oak Grove, AR; two sisters, Norma Brinkley of Evans, LA and Janice Head of Green Forest, AR; eight grandchildren, three great-grandchildren; a number of nephews, nieces and a host of friends. Services are scheduled for 2:00 P.M., Monday, December 22, at Life Tabernacle United Pentecostal Church, with Rev. Billy Sanders officiating, burial in Corinth Cemetery, under the direction of Latimer Funeral Home, Nashville. The family will receive friends at the funeral home, Sunday, December 21, from 6:00 – 9:00 P.M. Memorials may be made to Life Tabernacle United Pentecostal Church Building Fund

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## **Chandler, Mrs. Virginia Ann**

Submitted by: [Rebecca Ramsey](#)

Published 10-13-1950 in "The Nashville News"

Mrs. Virginia Ann CHANDLER, widow of the late H.B. CHANDLER died at the home of her son, Hix CHANDLER at 1:40 am, Oct. 11, after an illness of five

weeks, at the age of 93 years. A member of one of the pioneer families, she ;moved to Howard County as a small child and resided there for the remained of her life. Born January 27, 1857, she was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Hiram JONES of Nashville. She was a member of County Line Baptist Church. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. A.L. BURGESS, of Konawa, Oklahoma, two sons, B.L. and Hix, both of Nashville, 18 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren and 4 great-great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held Thursday at 2 p.m. at the Immanuel Baptist Church with Rev. C.E. Banks conducting. Burial was at County Line Cemetery. Grandsons served as pallbearers. Latimer Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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## Clay, Geneva

Submitted by: [Ken Milam](#)

Mrs. Idell Clay, age 48, died Saturday, December 26, 1970, in the Methodist Hospital at Lubbock, Texas, after a sudden illness. Born August 03, 1922 at Athens, Arkansas, She was the wife of Harley S. Clay, and had lived the past 18 years in Snyder, Texas. She was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church. Idell was the daughter of Arra Denman and the late Lottie Kemp Parker of Athens. Survivors are her husband, Harley; three sons, Jay Lynn, Terry Ron and Kerry Von of the home; her father A. D. Parker, Athens; Two brothers, Joe E. Parker, New Hope, Arkansas, and R. J. Parker, Athens; two sisters, Mrs. Imozelle Clark, Odessa, Texas and Mrs. Vina Lee Risner, Bismark, Arkansas. Funeral service was held Tuesday at 2:00 PM at Calvary Baptist Church in Snyder, with Rev George Scoff, Pastor, officiating. Burial was in Hillside Memorial Garden under direction of Bell-Seale Funeral Home.

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## Clingan, J.A.

Submitted by: [Gina Clingan](#)

J.A. Clingan, 82, pioneer resident of this area, died at 10:00 p.m. Wednesday (March 08, 1950) at his home in Bingen. He was a native of Hempstead Co., but was reared in Howard Co. He was an active member of the Baptist Church and took a prominent part in civic work. He served on the school board both at Bingen and Nashville. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday at the First Baptist Church at Bingen. Burial will be at Ozan Cemetery. Active pallbearers will be Earl Holt, Fain Haynes, Thurman Poss, Hoyle Erwin, Willis Anderson, and Ernest Simpson. Mr. Clingan is survived by a brother, C.E. Clingan of

Bingen, and a sister, Mrs. Mattie Davis, of Bingen; three children, R.A. Clingan of St. Louis, Lex Clingan of Bingen and Mrs. John Hobson of Edinburg, TX; and three grandchildren, Linda and Robert Clingan and Mrs. Dolores Fay Eggmeyer.

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## **Collins, Rosie Rashele** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Rosie Rashele Collins, age 18, a resident of Umpire, died Tuesday, March 4, 2008 in the Howard Memorial Hospital in Nashville. She was born February 27, 1990 at Incirlik Air Base in Adana, Turkey to Mark and Renee Arivett Collins. She was a Sr. at Umpire High School where she was on the Lady Wildcat Basketball team, a member of the FBLA, FHA, FCCLA and Lifesaver. She was preceded in death by her grandmothers, Della Collins and Shirley Arivett. She is survived by her parents, Mark and Renee Collins of Umpire, two sisters and a brother-in-law, Lesley and Richard Wiederspan and Samantha Collins all of Texarkana, Arkansas; one niece, Kadence Wiederspan also of Texarkana; and by her grandfathers, Billy Ray Collins of Mt Ida and Vernon Arivett of New Hope. Funeral Services will be held at 2:00 p.m., Friday, March 7, 2008 in the Umpire High School Gym. Burial will follow in the Athens Cemetery, under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home in Dierks. The family will receive friends from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m., Thursday, March 6th at the funeral home in Dierks.

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## **Cook, David Aaron**

Submitted by: [Donnie Mounts](#)

David Aaron Cook, age 25, of Bryant, passed from this life Saturday, March 26, 2005, Aaron was born on January 22, 1980 in Little Rock to David and Carolyn Huffman Cook. Aaron was a loving son and husband. Aaron was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Loy and Nannie Cook and by his maternal grandfather, Homer Huffman. Aaron was an avid sports fan, especially anything involving the Razorbacks, and loved music. He is survived by his wife, Lolita, and three stepchildren, Tristan, Anna, and Dallas, his parents David and Carolyn Cook, all of Bryant, his maternal grandmother, Nola Huffman, of Dierks AR. several Aunts, Uncles and numerous cousins. Graveside services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, March 31, 2005 at Fellowship Cemetery near Dierks AR, in Howard County. Visitation will be from 6:00-8:00 Wednesday, March 30, 2005 at Griffin Leggett Forest Hills Funeral Home

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## Cook, Lee Loy

Submitted by: [Donnie Mounts](#)

**DIERKS---** Graveside services were held at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, No. 30, 1994 in Fellowship Cemetery for Lee Loy Cook, Sr., 82. The Rev. Coy Zumwalt officiated with arrangements by Nashville Funeral Home. Mr. Cook was born April 9, 1912 in Dierks, son of the late Jasper Newton and Martha Isabell Bryant Cook. He died Monday, Nov. 28 in a Nashville hospital. He was a Baptist, a retired farmer and World War II Army veteran. Survivors include: his wife, Nannie Mounts Cook of Dierks: two sons, Lee Loy Cook, Jr., of Dierks and David Wayne Cook of Bryant: two daughters Ellen Diane Tollett and Beverly Sue Tuttle, both of Dierks: two sisters, Frankie Ellen Harris of Tyler, Texas, and Estaline Axton of Dierks: eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

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## Cook, Nannie Ellen Mounts

Submitted by: [Donnie Mounts](#)

**DIERKS---**Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov 15 in the Fellowship Cemetery for Nannie Ellen Mounts Cook, 84. Bro. Coy Zumwalt officiated, and burial was directed by Nashville Funeral Home. Mrs. Cook was born Dec. 18, 1913, in Burg, the daughter of Tessie William and Estella Simmons Mounts. She died Thursday, Nov. 12, 1998, at a Nashville hospital. She was preceded in death by her husband, Lee Cook, Sr., who died in 1994. Survivors include: two sons, Lee Loy Cook, Jr., of Dierks and David Wayne Cook of Bryant: two daughters, Ellen Diane Tollett and Beverly Sue Tuttle, both of Dierks: two brothers, Wilburn Mounts and Roy Mounts, both of Dierks: two sisters, Maudie Golden of Dierks and Flora Harris of Daisy: eight grandchildren: and six great-grandchildren.

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## Cothren, Mildred Lofton

Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Mrs. Mildred Lofton Cothren, age 92, a resident of Dierks, Arkansas, died Saturday, December 22, 2012 in Dierks. She was born June 13, 1920 in Dierks. She was a school teacher, an optician, an extraordinarily loving wife, mother,

and grandmother. She was a member of the Dierks United Methodist Church. Mrs. Cothren was preceded in death by her parents, Oliver Leach and Ethel Murray Lofton; and her husband, Virgil "Wat" Cothren. She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Michael Cothren and Susan Lowry of Swarthmore, PA; two granddaughters, Emma and Nora; two brothers, Kenneth Lofton of Dierks, and O.L. Lofton of Broken Bow, OK; one sister, Mary Lee of Athens, TX; and a number of nieces and nephews. Funeral services for Mrs. Cothren will be held at 2:00 p.m. Monday, December 24, 2012 in the Dierks United Methodist Church with Robert Lyons officiating. Burial will follow in the Fellowship Cemetery under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home in Dierks. Viewing will be from 1:00 p.m. until service time at the church.

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## **Davis, Clara O. McCoy**

Submitted by: [Elnora Lloyd League](#)

Friday 2 May 2003, The Courier, newspaper for Montgomery County, TX.

Addison-Smith Funeral Home

Clara O. McCoy Davis, 90, of Conroe, (TX), passed away April 29, 2003, in Conroe. Mrs. Davis was born Dec. 20, 1912 in Howard County, AR. She was a loving and devoted mother, grandmother and friend to many. Preceded in death by her parents, Claude and Florence McCoy and her eight brothers and sisters. She is survived by her children, James McCoy and wife Mary of Coushatta, LA and Molly Lipscomb of Conroe; grand children, Monica Fry of Kingwood, John McCoy of Waco, Angela Baudholn of Dallas, Callie Brown, Lucas Lipscomb and Autumn Curtis all of Boulder, CO; five great grand children and numerous other relatives and friends. Family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday evening at Addison-Smith Funeral Home. Private graveside service will be held at 10 a.m. Friday at Bethlehem Cemetery with the Reverend Charles Downey officiating. She will remain forever in our hearts.

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## **Dennison, Julia Octavious Beatrice Emaline Hicks**

Submitted by: [Page Nichols Nickell](#)

Nashville News February 18, 1920 Issue

Mrs. R. B. Dennison died at DeQueen Friday afternoon - Burial was here Sunday - Was ill only a few days with influenza - Was very Estimable Lady Friday a little past the noon hour the sad news came to Nashville that mrs. R. B. Dennison has



passed away at the home of her daughter Mrs. A. B. Cupp in DeQueen, Arkansas. The host of friends of the family were shocked upon hearing the report. She had been seriously ill only a short time. Pneumonia developed Wednesday following an attack of influenza. Her conditions plunged immediately into one beyond which human aid could go. She was beyond skilled physicians, the hand of loved ones could not arrest its progress and the redeemed spirited slipped out of the fragile body and passed silently up and on through the gates into the eternal city on Friday, February 13, 1920 at 12:03 o'clock. Before her marriage the name of the deceased as Julia Beatrice Hicks. She was born in Florence, Alabama November 12, 1855. Her parents died in her infancy and she was reared by her only aunt, Mrs. Mary Higgs. Her marriage to Robert Bedford Dennison occurred on August 8, 1875 in Washington, Arkansas where the first four years of their life was spent together after which time they removed to this city in the year 1879 where they have resided continuously for forty years. Mrs. Dennison became the mother of eight children. When they came they brought to the home sunshine and good cheer. Four of these children survive her; Ed S. Dennison of Texarkana, Mrs. A. B. Cupp of DeQueen, Mrs. Finch Bryant of Alleytown and Mrs. E. L. Crutchfield of this city together with her husband and grandchildren and a host of others. Mrs. Dennison surrendered her life to her savior in early youth and became a consistent member of the First Methodist Church until the year 1890 she joined with her husband the Baptist Church and was baptized with him by Rev. C. W. Strickland. For a half century she followed in the footsteps of her Master. Her faith was strong to the end. She never failed to be in her place at every single service unless providence hindered. She sound peculiar delight in doing kindness for others. Her ministries were sacrificial and in her bosom she carried a tenderly sympathetic heart for all who suffered and her hands hastened to relieve the need which her heart discovered. Many fevered brows in this town and community have been soothed by the touch of her faithful little hands. Her husband and children will remember her during the remaining years. The many kindness issued from her into their needy lives. Her neighbors will miss her sorely. She will never fade from their vision. It will be a joy to them to know that she knew of their appreciation of her as wife and mother before she left them for the better land. She will be especially missed by her little granddaughter Josie County. She will be missed in her home, in her church, in her neighborhood but in the hearts of all who knew and loved her she will live on and on. Let us be grateful for the gift of so worthy a mother and Christian and friend. Let us emulate in our lives her beautiful traits of character which clothed her personality in beauty and power. together with her husband and grandchildren and a host of others. Mrs. Dennison surrendered her life to her savior in early youth and became a consistent member of the First Methodist Church until the year 1890 she joined with her husband the Baptist Church and

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## **Dennison, Robert Bedford Jr.**

Submitted by: [Page Nichols Nickell](#)

Nashville News August 2, 1935

R. B. Dennison Aged Pioneer Citizen Died here Monday Night R. B. Dennison aged 83 years died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ernest Crutchfield in this city Monday night after a lingering illness. Funeral Services were held at the Baptist Church Tuesday afternoon conducted by the Rev. R. E. Naylor and the Rev. O. E. Holmes. Burial followed in Nashville Cemetery. Mr. Dennison was a pioneer citizen of Nashville and was a cabinet maker during his active life. During the past few years he has been unable to follow his trade because of ill health. He was a splendid man and had a large circle of friends all over this section. He is survived by three daughters, Mrs. A. B. Cupp and Mrs. Ernest Crutchfield of Nashville and Mrs. Ruby Bryant of Dallas. He is survived by ten grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. The News joins in expressions of the deepest sympathy.

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## **Dodd, Jewel E.**

Submitted by: [Lovella@mh.co.durham.nc.us](mailto:Lovella@mh.co.durham.nc.us)

Dodd Rites Wednesday At New Hope Mrs. Jewel E. Dodd, aged 59 of Dierks, died Monday (Dec. 19, 1966) at a DeQueen hospital. She was born March 4, 1907 at New Hope, Arkansas and had been a lifetime resident of Howard County. She was a member of the Pleasant Grove Freewill Baptist church at New Hope. The survivors include the husband, R.E. Dodd of Dierks; three brothers John Sharp and Roy Sharp, both of Dierks and Fletcher ' Sharp of Rush Springs, Oklahoma; one sister, Mrs. C.W. (Josie) Townsend (twin sister) of Rush Springs, Oklahoma and a large number of nieces and nephews. Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday (Dec. 21) at the Bissell Chapel church near New Hope with Junior Shell officiating assisted by Virgil Blaylock. Burial was in the Bissell Chapel Cemetery under the direction of the Latimer Funeral Service.

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## **Dragoo, Mrs. Carrie**

Carrie Ross Dragoo died December 22, 1955

Submitted by: [CRAN8441@aol.com](mailto:CRAN8441@aol.com)

Final Rites for Mrs. Dragoo to Be Held Today

Mrs. Carrie Dragoo, aged 55, of 720 South Louisiane Street died in a Texarkana hospital yesterday morning. Survivors are her husband, D. B. Dragoo; two sisters, Mrs. Ora O'Neal of Wenatchee, Washington and Mrs. A.G. Brown of Prosser, Washington; one brother Richard Ross of Wenatchee, Washington. Mrs. Dragoo was very active in church and civic organizations, and for a number of years had taught school in Hempstead County. Funeral services will be held today at 2 o'clock at the Garrett Memorial Baptist Church with Elder Elbert O'Steen officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens with Oakcrest Mortuary in charge.

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## **Duncan, Vanita** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Vanita Duncan, 85, of Murfreesboro, AR, died Sunday, May 10, 2009 at Pike County Hospital. She was born, November 4, 1923 the daughter of the late Frank and Joe Jackson Terrell. She was a Methodist and operated a Beauty Shop in Hot Springs from 1943 to 1995. She was preceded in death by her husband Dick Duncan. Survivors include one nephew Terry Robertson of Murfreesboro, AR; and a number of great nieces and nephews. Services will be 2:00 PM, Tuesday,

May 12, 2009 at First United Methodist Church in Murfreesboro with burial in Center Point Cemetery, with Rev. Al Terrell officiating, under the direction of Latimer Funeral Home-Murfreesboro. Visitation will be 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM, Monday, May 11, 2009 at Latimer Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to the First United Methodist Church of Murfreesboro.

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## **Eudy, Essie Westbrook** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Mrs. Essie Westbrook Eudy, age 100, a resident of Dierks, Arkansas died Tuesday, June 29, 2010 in Dierks Health and Rehab. She was born February 14, 1910 in Dierks. She was a homemaker and a member of the Bethany Baptist Church. Mrs. Eudy was preceded in death by her parents George C. and Susie Gowen Westbrook; her husband, Ruby Eudy; one son, Herschel Eudy; two daughters, Clarice Roden and Janice Duggan; one brother and four sisters. She is survived by two sons, Vernon Eudy of Sherwood, AR and Charles Eudy of Norman, AR; one daughter, Audrey House of Dierks; 11 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren and a number of nieces and nephews. Funeral Services for Mrs. Eudy will be held at 10:00 a.m., Friday, July 2, 2010 in the Bethany Baptist Church in Dierks with J.W. Gilbert officiating. Burial will follow in the Fellowship Cemetery, under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home in Dierks. The family will receive friends from 6:00-8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 1st at the funeral home in Dierks.

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## **Faulkner, Elizabeth Jackson**

Elizabeth died 1904, in Umpire, AR. Wife of Daniel P. Faulkner. Both buried in Bethel Cemetery.

Submitted by: [Tammy Sharp](#)

On last Wednesday morning, February 27, 1904, Death placed its hands upon Aunt Elizabeth Faulkner, wife of D. P. Faulkner, and calls her out of this world. She had been ill with the flux about 10 days or two weeks and suffered intensely before the end came. But received the most skillful and careful attention while ill. Aunt Elizabeth was born in Alabama December 1842 and moved to this part of Arkansas in an early \_\_y, reared a family of four children, and made many friends through out this entire land. She was a member of the M. E. Church-South, and lived a consistent Christian life always found speaking words of warning to those who were not saved. She loved God with all her heart, and extended a willing hand for this cause. She was a loving wife and mother who

always had words of good counsel for her children. She has one little boy who has gone on before her, but they are once more together to part no more; for their trials and troubles are now over and now will enjoy the victories won on earth. Aunt Elizabeth has borne the burden in the heat of the day and has gone home to meet her little boy and loved ones. She said, "Don't weep for me, I'm going home." We are filled with sorrow to give her up; for to know her was to love her. We extend sympathies to all the bereaved.

J. W. Lacefield

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## **Ford, Joseph Washington**

Submitted by: [Anne Schmidt](#)

Article appeared in the Pawhuska, Oklahoma Newspaper, Thurs Jan. 6, 1949  
Headline: "J.W. Ford Service To Be Held Here On Friday Afternoon" Funeral services for Joseph Washington Ford, 83, will be held at 2:30 p.m. Friday in the First Christian church with Rev. J.E. McCoy, pastor, officiating. Ford, who had been a resident of Pawhuska since 1919, died at 6 o'clock Wednesday evening [Jan. 5] in the home of his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Gore 519 East Main. He had been bedfast since last July. Ford was born in Howard County, Arkansas on May 10, 1885. At Mineral Springs, Arkansas, he married Rosa [Timmons] Hurn, who preceded him in death here on Dec. 18, 1937. Ford moved here from Texas where he had been in the cattle business and has been retired since that time. For the past 12 years he has made his home with the Gores. The body will lie in state at the Gore home from 5 p.m. Thursday until time for the services. Burial will be in the Pawhuska cemetery by the side of his wife. Ford had been a member of the Pawhuska Christian church for 29 years. Other survivors include daughters, Mrs. Roy Lemon and Mrs. Bernice McChesney, and a stepdaughter, Mrs. Maude Gossett, all Pawhuska, 37 grandchildren, five great grandchildren and one great great grandchild.

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## **Forrester, Freda Mae Keaster** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Mrs. Freda Mae Keaster Forrester, age 60, a resident of Horatio, died Wednesday, January 28, 2009 at her home. She was born January 9, 1949 in Dierks, Arkansas to Thomas Louis and Minnie Eline Howard Keaster. She worked road construction and attended the Dierks Assembly of God Church. Mrs. Forrester was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Walter Lee Forrester and one brother, Floyd Dale Keaster. She is survived by two

daughters, Julie Craig of De Queen and Tonya Waldrop of Lockesburg; two sisters, Dorothy Melson and Bernece Dixon both of Dierks; one brother, James Keaster of De Queen; five grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Funeral Services for Mrs. Forrester will be held at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, January 31, 2009 in the Fellowship Church with Ray Reynolds officiating. Burial will follow in the Fellowship Cemetery, under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home in De Queen. The family will receive friends from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., Friday, January 30th at the funeral home in De Queen.

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## **Glasgow, Randall "Eli"** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Randall "Eli" Glasgow, age 58, of Lockesburg, died Monday, March 15, 2010. He was born on August 20, 1951, at Nashville, Arkansas, the son of Elmer Loy Glasgow and Pauline Young Glasgow. On June 14, 1992, he was married to Rebecca "Becky" Minor. He was preceded in death by his parents; and his sister, Stephanie Glasgow. He is survived by his wife, Becky Glasgow of Lockesburg; five sons and two daughters-in-law, Allen and Carolyn Glasgow of Horatio, Jonathan and Jessica Glasgow of Lockesburg, Slade Bissell of Dierks, Colby Glasgow of Lockesburg and Craig Glasgow of Lockesburg; four grandchildren, Matthew Glasgow, Jacob Glasgow, Lexie Simmons and Cadee Glasgow; two brothers and sisters-in-law, Larry and Rhonda Glasgow of Livingston, Texas and Phillip and Jamie Glasgow of Newhope; four sisters and three brothers-in-law, Debbie and Jerry Ray Mounts of Dierks, Rhonda and Ronnie Hunter of Newhope, Kim and Bill Roberts of Lockesburg and Stacey Crow of Dierks. Services will be held at 10:00 AM, Wednesday, March 17, 2010, in the Dierks Church of Christ with Kelly Brown and Kenny Fant officiating. Mr. Glasgow will lie in state at his home, located at 22 Hwy 369 South, Newhope, Arkansas beginning at 2:00 PM, Tuesday. Interment will be in the Bissell Chapel Cemetery under the direction of Davis-Smith Funeral Home, Glenwood. Pallbearers will be his nephews and include Shane Glasgow, Jeremy Mounts, Jeffrey Mounts, Phillip Glasgow, II, Mason Glasgow, Brandon Alexander, Cole Alexander, Justin Alexander, Spencer Crow, Jordan Crow and Jason Roberts. Honorary pallbearers will be his nieces and include Heather Glasgow, Casey Hunter, Erin Sprick, Lindsay Green, Pamela Roberts and Lisa Howard.

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## **Glasgow, Thomas**

Submitted by: [LATJIM@aol.com](mailto:LATJIM@aol.com)

**Thomas Courtlyn Glasgow, 81 of Nashville died Sunday, Oct. 22, 2000. Mr. Glasgow was born Nove. 1, 1918, in the Blue Bayou community near Nashville. He was a former employee of St. Louis Army Medical Depot, retired from the Department of Agriculture's Soil Conservation Service, former member and deacon of County Line Baptist Church, member and Sunday school teacher at Immanuel Baptist Church, and a World War II Army Air Corps veteran. He was preceded in death by his wife, Fern Carol Rosk Glasgow, on May 30, 1994. Survivors include eight children, Randy Glasgow of Nashville, Roger Glasgow, Dennis Glasgow and John Glasgow of Little Rock, Donna Jean Glasgow of Conway, Ark., Miriam Friant of Oakland, Calif., Gary Glasgow of El Dorado, Ark. and Ramona Swofford of Lodi, Calif., one sister Barbara Glasgow Bowers of Nashville; 10 grandchildren ; and a number of other relatives. Services will be 10 a.m. Thursday at Immanuel Baptist Church. Burial will be in the family Cemetery under direction of Latimer Funeral home. Visitation will follow the burial.**

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## **Golden, Isaac A.**

Submitted by: [rlpate@windstream.net](mailto:rlpate@windstream.net)

**Mr. Isaac A. Golden, age 83, a resident of Dierks, died Friday, February 13, 2004 in the Howard County Memorial Hospital in Nashville, Arkansas. He was born January 2, 1921 in Langley, Arkansas. He was a retired Foreman from Pilgrims Pride and a member of the Midway Church of Christ. Mr. Golden was preceded in death by his parents: Joseph and Louisa Thomas Golden. He is survived by his wife: Lillie M. Aleshire Golden; two sons: Billy Golden of Dierks and Jimmy A. Golden of Rogers, Arkansas; one daughter: Verna Qualls of Dierks; four grandchildren: Bobby G. Golden, Greg W. Golden, Laura Golden and Dale Qualls and three great- grandchildren: Sarah Qualls, Jennifer Qualls and Rachel White. Graveside Funeral Services for Mr. Golden will be held at 11:00 a.m., Monday, February 16, 2004 in the Saline Cemetery, near Athens, with Rev. John Henry Williams officiating, under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home in Dierks. The family will receive friends from 6:00-8:00 p.m., Sunday, February 15 at the funeral home in Dierks.**

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## **Golden, Maudie Ona**

Submitted by: [Donnie Mounts](#)

Maudie Ona Golden , 84, of Dierks, Ar., died Tuesday , October 31, 2000, in a Dierks Nursing Home. Mrs. Golden was born August 2, 1916, in Witts Springs, Ar. She was a member of the Dierks Church of Christ. She was preceded in death by her husband, Earl Golden, on December 22, 1999. Survivors include one sister, Flora Harris of Kirby, Ar ; two brothers, Roy Mounts and Wilburn Mounts of Dierks; and a number of other relatives. Graveside services will be at 2:00 PM today in Burg Cemetery with Tommy Mounts officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Nashville Funeral Home.

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## **Greene, Maddox Gregory** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Maddox Gregory Greene, infant son of Mason Gregory Greene and Lindsay Renae Crow Greene of Athens, died Saturday, January 31, 2009. Survivors include his parents; his paternal grandparents, Gregg and Shelly Greene of Athens; his maternal grandparents, Bill and Stacey Crow of Dierks; his paternal great-grandparents, Gerold and Louise Greene, and Johnny and Jhonia Kirkpatrick all of Athens; his maternal great-grandmother, Bobbie Amshoff of Hot Springs; and three uncles, Marcus Greene of Athens, Spencer Crow and Jordan Crow both of Dierks. Graveside services will be held at 10:00 AM, Monday, February 2, 2009 in the Athens Cemetery with Bro. Kelly Brown officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Davis-Smith Funeral Home, Glenwood.

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## **Harding, L.V.**

Submitted by: [Connie Harding Rushing](#)

Nashville News

**L. V. Harding Killed In Accident**

L. V. (Vic) Harding, a well known farmer of Center Point died near noon Tuesday, April 9th of injuries suffered when pinned by a falling tree. He had just left his sisters, Mrs. S. T. Billings around 10 o'clock, going on to the timber down on Saline Bottoms near Mt. Carmel. Logging the first tree, he cut with a power saw, hanging the saw he went for help to get his saw out. On arrival with 2 men, the tree gave him a severe lick which caused his death, fell across his thighs and lower abdomen. 2 Dierks men was with him, who rushed him to the hospital in his pick up truck. The accident occurred about 11:40. He was pronounced dead on arrival. The examining physician, after making an autopsy, said the victim had hemoraged considerable, but no fractured limbs were found in the X-Ray.



**Mr. Harding was prominent in farming and cattle and peach industry near Center Point and was a member of the Baptist Church. He is survived by his wife four sons, Perry of Malvern, Joe and L.V. Jr., of Nashville, 3 daughters, Mrs. Joe Lingo of Carrollton, Ohio. Mrs. Joe Story , Nashville. Mrs. Harvey Heingberg of Camden. He was reared here but born in Crawford County, in 1891. Four sisters, Mrs. Robt. Williams, Nashville, Mrs. Sherman Billings, Center Point, Mrs. W. D. Sullivan, Spiro, Okla., Mrs. C. A. Everage, Kirbyville, Tex., Also 11 grandchildren, a lot of nephews & nieces. Funeral services were held at 2 P. M. Thursday at the Center Point Baptist Church. With Hollis Purtle and O.B.Thompson officiating. Burial with the Mineral Spring in Center Point B.Thompson officiating. Burial with the Mineral Spring in Center Point Cemetery.**

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## **Harding, Mrs. Mary**

Submitted by: [Connie Harding Rushing](#)

Arkansas Gazette May 2nd 1983

**Mrs. Mary Ella Harding, 82, of Center Point, widow of Lewis Vic Harding, died Monday. Mrs. Harding was a member of Center Point Baptist Church. Survivors are four sons, Oliver Perry Harding of Malvern, and xx xx Harding, xxxx Harding Jr., and xxx Harding, all of Nashville; three daughters, xxxx Hearnberger of Camden, xxx Storey of Boosier City, La., and xxx Lingo of Nashville; 22 grandchildren, and 27 great-grandchildren. Funeral will be at 2 p. m. today at Center Point Baptist Church by the Rev. Hollis A. Purtle and Jerry Parker. Burial will be in Center Point Cemetery by Latimer Funeral Home, Nashville.**

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## **Harris, Flora Mounts**

Submitted by: [Donnie Mounts](#)

As published by Chandler Funeral Home in De Queen, Arkansas

**Flora Mounts Harris, a resident of Daisy, Arkansas, and former resident of De Queen, was born to Tessie W., Sr. and Estella Simmons Mounts in the Burg Community of Howard County, Arkansas, and departed this life Saturday, September 4, 2004, after having attained the age of 77 years, 9 months, and 28 days. Flora grew up in Howard County, Arkansas, and married Arlis Harris at Dierks, Arkansas, on December 1, 1945. To this marriage one daughter and one son were born. Flora was a member of the Church of Christ at Glenwood. She**

was a retired nurse, as well as a homemaker. She was interested in crocheting, flowers, visiting with people, and especially her church. She was preceded in death by her parents, her brothers, George, Wilburn, and Dale Mounts; her sisters, Stacy Bearden, Elva Weems, Hester Kesterson, Maudie Golden, and Nannie Cook. She is survived by her husband of 58 years, Arlis Harris of Daisy; one daughter and son-in-law: Vicki and Robert Peek of Mineral Springs, Ark.; one son, Roger Harris of Wisconsin; one brother, Roy Mounts of Dierks, Ark.; four grandchildren; Robin and Roy Perryman of Nash, Texas; Lena Davis of Cleveland, Tenn.; Amanda and Jim Bob Medlock of Hope, Ark.; and Nanthan Peek of Texarkana, Ark.; and a number of nieces and nephews. The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., Sunday, September 5, 2004. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m., Monday, September 6, 2004 in the Church of Christ at Dierks, Ark. with Robert Peek and Randy Hughes, ministers officiating. Burial will follow in the Redmen Cemetery, De Queen, Ar. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Research.

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## High, Mary

Submitted by: [Randy Bearden](#)

De Queen, Arkansas Mary Verdell Bearden High, 76, of Dierks Arkansas., died Tuesday, Nov 16, 1999, in a Hot Springs, Arkansas, hospital. Mrs. High was born Sept. 22, 1923, in Wright City, Oklahoma. She was a licensed vocational nurse, a poultry grower and member of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Grannis, Arkansas. She was preceded in death by her husband, Hervert High, and one daughter, Robbie Jean. Survivors include one daughter and son-in-law. Jacqueline and Richard Leach of Dierks; her mother Naomi Bearden of Dierks; two brothers, Odell Bearden of Abilene, Texas, and Chesla Bearden of Dierks; three grandchildren, Darlene Icenhower, Richard Leach and Jennifer Leach of Dierks; four great grandchildren; and four nieces and nephews. Services will be 10 a.m. today at Hickory Grove Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints with Raymond Leard and Roland Dean officiating. Burial will be in Hickory Grove Cemetery under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home.

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## Hill, Billy Joe

Submitted by: [Donnie Mounts](#)

Billy Joe Hill, age 73, a resident of Dierks, died Sunday, July 6, 2008 at his

residence. He was born May 1, 1935 in Burg, Arkansas. He married Edith Pinkerton February 11, 1952. He was preceded in death by his parents, Rose Etta and Jim Hill; two brothers, Binem Hill and Robert Hill; five sisters, Onie Hill, Omie Hill, Eva Tolleson, Bessie Kesterson and Iva Pearl Hill. He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Edith Pinkerton Hill; his daughters, Brenda Dunlap and her husband Charles, Teresa Jester and her husband Jeff; his sons, Joe Hill and his wife Mondie and Jeffery Hill and his wife Carrie, all of New Hope, Arkansas; 9 grandchildren, Jeremy Jester, Brandon Mays, Traci Carter, Brandi Godwin, Lisa Huddleston, Shane Hill, Dustin Hill, Carissa Hill and Kandi Garland; 15 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great-grandchild; one brother, Dillard Hill of Dierks; three sisters, Betty Brock of Dierks, Kathyleen Lowrey of Texarkana and Lois Jean White also of Dierks. Funeral Services for Mr. Hill will be held at 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 9, 2008 in the Bissell Chapel Church with Rev. Kenny Fant and Brian Hill officiating. Burial will follow in the Bissell Chapel Cemetery, near New Hope, under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home in Dierks. The family will receive friends from 6:00-8:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 8th at the Wilkerson Funeral Home Chapel in Dierks.

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## **Hill, W.F**

Nashville News

9 Feb 1838 - 24 Oct 1937

Died at home near Buck Range Sunday night, lacking only four months of 100.

W. F. Hill, aged 99 years and 8 months, died at his home near Buck Range Sunday night at midnight. Funeral services were held at Liberty church at Buck Range Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, conducted by the Rev. T. L. Epton. Mr. Hill, doubtless Howard county's oldest citizen, had been a very useful citizen for almost all of his long life, and had hosts of friends throughout this part of the state. A Confederate veteran who had seen much service in the war between the states, he had applied himself vigorously at the close of the war to the job of helping rebuild his South, and these efforts were continued until he was well up in his nineties, when feebleness forced him to cease his activities. He was a man of high ideas, and his teachings to younger people have been of untold value to this generation. He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Lee Blackwood and Mrs. Rile Hill, Buck Range, and three sons, Kelly and W. F. Hill, Jr. Dallas, and Tom Hill of Buck Range.

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## Hill, Mrs W.F

Nashville News

9 Feb 1838 - 24 Oct 1937

Died at Family home at Buck Range last Sunday. Mrs. W. F. Hill, aged 78 years, died at the family home at Buck Range last Sunday, her death resulting after a lingering illness. Funeral services were held at Liberty church Monday morning, conducted by the Rev. Mr. Wiles. Mrs. Hill, who had made her home at Buck Range for the past 44 years, was a native of Georgia, being born on Lookout Mountain in that state. When she was quite young her parents moved to Alabama, where she met Mr. Hill, and 1868, after Mr. Hill had served through the Civil War and returned home, was married to him. Eleven children were born to the couple, seven of whom survive, as does also Mr. Hill, who is now in his 92nd year. The surviving children are: W. F. Hill, Jr., and K. S. Hill, Dallas; Tom Hill, Buck Range; Mrs. Lee Blackwood, Mrs. J. C. Hipp and Mrs. John Cowling, Allbrook, and Mrs. Rile Hill, Buck Range. During her active life, Mrs. Hill was a great influence in the development of her community and the church and school affairs of the community, and her splendid work as a neighbor and friend will long remain an inspiration to those who were so fortunate as to know her. The News joins in expressions of sympathy for the bereaved family.

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## Hollenbeck, Mrs. George

Submitted by: [ROYCE LEE PATE](#)

MRS. GEORGE HOLLENBECK OF ATHENS PASSES Mrs. George Hollenbeck, a well known citizen of Athens, for the past 10 years died February 3 at the City Hospital at Nashville, after a short period of illness. Mrs. Hollenbeck was born in Missouri in 1874. She and her husband moved to Athens in 1936. Mrs. Hollenbeck became a member of the Methodist Church early in life and was an active member in the Church at Athens. She is survived by her husband George Hollenbeck of Athens, and five children, three daughters, one in California, one in Canada, and another in Kansas, two sons in Chicago and Kansas. Burial took place in the Athens cemetery February 5. with Bro. Barns officiating. The funeral was conducted by the Nashville funeral home. The many friends of Mrs. Hollenbeck extend their sympathy to the bereaved family.

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**Horton, Hazel Angeline Tollett** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

**Hazel Angeline (Tollett) Horton, age 73 of Nashville, Ar. and former long time resident of Borger, Texas left this earth on Saturday, February 23, 2008 at her daughter's home in Nashville, with her family beside her. She was born November 7, 1934 in Athens, Arkansas to the late William Alcaney and Bertie Mae Pate Tollett. She was a member of the Southside Baptist Church in Borger, Texas where she was baptized on August 31, 1975. She was a graduate of Borger High School. Mrs. Horton was one of Borger's 1st female entrepreneurs. During her career she was the owner of 17 restaurants throughout the Texas Panhandle. She was a wonderful Mother and Grandmother. She was an excellent advisor to her family as well as others. Her Christian faith was very strong and she studied the Bible and tried to live by it. She was preceded in death by 2 Brothers; Ardoth (A.D.) Tollett and Odell Tollett (who passed away as a child.) Also preceding her were 4 sisters; Polly Goltrey, Vera Boker, Janette Moser and Eunice Mae Tollett, (who also passed away as a child.) Survivors include; 1 Daughter, Belinda and a very special son-in-law, Terry McQuary of Nashville, Ar. 1 son, Kendyll Horton of Borger, Texas 2 grandchildren BeRanda Blanks, and Britney Blanks, who she was VERY CLOSE TO. 1 Brother, J.B. and wife Doretta Tollett of Athens, Arkansas 1 sister, Ruby and husband C.D. (Red) Bishop of Borger, Texas And a host of other family and friends to numerous to name. Services will be Thursday, February 28, 2008 at 2 pm. at Bissell Chapel Church, near New Hope, Arkansas with James Tollett, David Tollett and David Blasé officiating. Interment will follow in Bissell Chapel Cemetery under the direction of Nashville Funeral Home. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Wednesday evening from 6 to 8 pm. Memorials may be made to the Susan G. Komen for the Cure, 5005 LBJ Fwy., Ste. 250, Dallas, Texas 75244. Honoring her life as pallbearers will be; Dennis Tollett, Colton Tollett, Von Pate, Royce Pate, Mark Brogger and Allen Harris. Also Honorary Pallbearers will be; Ray Martin, Darrel Pate, J.W. Pate, Boyce Pate, Ronnie Pate, Phil Blanks, and Robert Brandon. The family may be reached at the home of Belinda McQuary in Nashville.**

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## **Howard, Bonnie M.**

Submitted by: [rlpate@windstream.net](mailto:rlpate@windstream.net)

**Bonnie M. Howard, age 91, of Dierks, died Thursday, August 3, 2006. She was born on May 4, 1915, at Coleman, Oklahoma, the daughter of Allen Luther Lattie and Daisy Mae Irwin Lattie. On July 28, 1933, she was married to John W. Howard, who preceded her in death on February 24, 1993. She was also preceded in death by her parents; one brother; and two sisters; and two half-sisters. She was a homemaker and Pentecostal in her faith. She is survived by two sons, Quentin Howard of Texarkana and Leonard Howard of Plainview; five**

daughters, Ivene Arivett of Garland, Texas Christene Crump of Langley, Shirley Arivett of Athens, Helen Arivett of Langley, and Ella Black of Mount Ida; nineteen grandchildren; twenty-eight great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; two step-brothers, Dennis Mays of Casa Grande, Arizona and Arvle Mays of Caddo, Oklahoma; one step-sister, Edna Midyett of Sierra Vista, Arizona; nieces; nephews; and a host of family and friends. Services will be held at 10:00 AM, Sunday, August 6, 2006, in the Umpire Free Holiness Church with Anthony Howard and Don Vaughn officiating. Visitation will be Saturday evening, 6 PM to 8 PM. Interment will be in the Athens Cemetery, under the direction of Davis-Smith Funeral Home, Glenwood. Pallbearers will be Jerry Arivett, Gary Arivett, David Arivett, Timmy Arivett, Paul Arivett, Joel Arivett, John Crump, Daniel Crump, Greg Black, Bruce Howard, Richard Howard, and Jeff Black.

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## **Hunter, Glendora** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Glendora Hunter, age 64, of Langley, died Thursday, April 15, 2010. She was born on June 4, 1945 at Langley, the daughter of Lawrence Arivett and Mary Lawless Arivett. She was preceded in death by two sons, Joey Hunter and Mark Hunter; her parents; and her sister, Dulene Cowart. She is survived by her husband, Jewell Hunter of Langley; three children, Tracy Hunter, Rhonda Cates and Denise Brewer all of Langley; six grandchildren; four brothers, Winnon Arivett of Garland, Texas, Vernon Arivett of Athens, Leroy Arivett of Langley and Hoyt Arivett of Langley; four sisters, Thelma Phillips of Athens, Vernice Burgess of Athens, Jeanette Magar of Hot Springs and Doreatha House of Dierks; and several nieces and nephews. Graveside services will be held at 2:00 PM, Saturday, April 17, 2010 in the Athens Cemetery under the direction of Davis-Smith Funeral Home, Glenwood. Pallbearers will be Paul Arivett, Gary Arivett, Jim White, Dana White, Anthony Hunter and James Brewer. Honorary pallbearers will be James Cates, Kayla Cates, Tiffany Hunter, Ashley Hunter and Emily Hunter.

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## **Hunter, Harold Dean** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

October 01, 1933 to September 02, 2010

Harold Dean Hunter, 76, of Umpire, AR, died Thursday, September 2, 2010, at a Texarkana hospital. He was born October 1, 1933, at Drumright, OK, the son of the late Homer Ezra and Gertrude Louise Gates Hunter. He was a member of

Mountain View Baptist Church and Red River Astronomy Club. He was a retired Forrester for Weyerhaeuser. Mr. Hunter was preceded in death by one brother, Howard Hunter. He is survived by his wife, Bobbie Hunter of Umpire, AR; one daughter, Lynn Pinson and husband, Jackie, of Umpire, AR; two grandchildren, Dave Pinson of Ft, Smith, AR and Jaclynn O'Neal and husband, Jason, of Umpire, AR; great grandchildren, Bryce Pinson, Ben O'Neal, Jacob O'Neal and Casey O'Neal ; one sister-in-law, Betty Hunter of Nashville, AR; one brother-in-law and his wife, John Paul and Susan Loyless of DeLeon, TX; five nephews; one niece; a number of great-nieces and nephews and a host of friends. Pallbearers are Keith Johnson, Stan Kesterson, Gene Simmons, Roy Clingan, Hayes Holcombe and John Paul Loyless. Graveside services are scheduled for 2:00 P.M., Sunday, September 5, at Cedar Hill Cemetery with Kyle Cowart officiating, under the direction of Latimer Funeral Home, Nashville.

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## **Jackson, Dwain** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Dwain Jackson, age 76, of Dierks, died Saturday, March 13, 2010. He was born on November 22, 1933 at Dierks, the son of Trolas Elmer Jackson and Nannie Lee Brown Jackson. He was preceded in death by his parents; his grandson, Jason Reid; and two brothers, Darrell Jackson and Norman Jackson. Dwain was a Navy veteran and a Christian in his faith. He enjoyed fishing, hunting and was an avid outdoorsman. His passion was listening to and playing bluegrass music on the mandolin and guitar. He is survived by two sons, Tony Jackson and his wife, Dana, of Nashville and James "Jimbo" Jackson and his wife, Kimberly, of Fayetteville; one daughter, Sherry Skinner and her husband, Jesse, of Dierks; seven grandchildren, Jeffrey Jackson, Jonathan Jackson, Tyler Jackson, Cole Jackson, Carly Jackson, Bailey Jackson and Joey Reid; seven great-grandchildren; one brother, Don Jackson of Tacoma, Washington; one sister, Connie Johnson and her husband, Larry, of Holly Lake Ranch, Texas; and several nieces and nephews. Services will be held at 2:00 PM, Tuesday, March 16, 2010 in the Davis-Smith Funeral Home Chapel with Elder Johnny Arnold and Bro. Billy Tom Young officiating. Visitation will be Monday evening, 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM. Interment will be in the Hickory Grove Cemetery near Dierks under the direction of Davis-Smith Funeral Home, Glenwood. Pallbearers will be Dennis Johnson, Tyler Jackson, Jeffrey Jackson, Jonathan Jackson, Cole Jackson and Joey Reid. Memorials may be made to the Hickory Grove Cemetery Association, c/o Carma Nell Bradshaw, 469 Jackson Road, Dierks, Arkansas, 71833.

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## **Jackson, Evelyn**

Submitted by: [Jan Jackson McGalliard](#)

Murfreesboro---Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. tuesday, Oct. 19, 1999 in First Baptist Church for Willie Evelyn Dickerson Jackson, 77, Bro. Freeman Henderson and Bro. Troy Carroll officated. Burial was in the Murfreesboro Cemetery under the direction of Latimer Funeral Home. Mrs. Jackson was born July 7, 1922 in Deirks, Arkansas. The daughter of the late William Henry "Red" Dickerson and Amelia Josephine Cowling Dickerson. She died Sunday Oct. 17, 1999, in a Little Rock hospital. A longtime member of the First Baptist Church in Murfreesboro, she was the founding president of the Pike Co. Heritage Club, She was a member of the Howard Co. Heritage club, and a member of the Mine Creek Chapter of the DAR. She was also a member of the Pike Co. Extension Homemakers. She and her late husband Coy Eli "Tootsie" Jackson, owned and operated the Murfreesboro Cleaners until they retired. Mrs. Jackson was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a sister Edna Tiffin; a son James Coy "Jimmy" Jackson; and a grandchild, Barbara Evelyn Douglass. Survivors include; four daughters, Bettye Woodruff of Cabot, Arkansas; Janice McGalliard of Delight, Arkansas; Carole Bratcher of North Little Rock, Arkansas; and Susan Brock of Murfreesboro, Arkansas; 15 grandchildren; and 13 great grandchildren.

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## **James, Hugh Neal**

Submitted by: [Ken Milam](#)

Hugh Neal James, of Mena, Died Saturday, November 11,1995, at Mena Medical Center, at the age of 81. Mr. James was born May 10.1914 in Athens to the late Fletcher James and the late Nettie Parker James. He was employed by the civil service in a Civil Defense Ammunition plant at China Lake, California. He moved to Mena 25 years ago. He was a member of the Freewill Baptist Church of Mena. Survivors are three sisters, Johnny Lane, of Big Sandy, Texas; Minnie Bisbee, of Great Bend, Kansas; Martha Gentry, of Houston, Texas; Numerous nieces and nephews, and a host of other family and friends. Funeral services were held at 10:00 AM, Monday, November 13, in the Pleasant Grove Church of the Nazarene with Rev. Raymond Smedley officiating. Interment was in the Pleasant Grove Cemetery, at Cove, under the direction of Geyer-Quillin Funeral Home of Mena. Pallbearers were Fariol Gibbons, Ezra Forrest, Don Combs, King Bisbee, Bill Rhodes and Rickey James.

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## **Jones, Elizabeth Francis**

Submitted by: [Charlotte Manuel](#)

Saturday June 10, 1916 McCurtain Co. newspaper

Elizabeth Francis Jones was born Jan.31,1834 A.D. Departed this life June 5th,1916. She was united in marriage to Stephen Jones in early life and to this union ten children were born. All but four have departed this life. She was at home with her son, George W. Jones, where the death angel came to take her home. In her young life she united with the Baptist church and lived a christian life the remainder of her life. Funeral conducted by Rev. A.S. Cameron, June 6th, 1916.

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## **Jones, Eva A.**

Submitted by: [HeleneHamm@aol.com](mailto:HeleneHamm@aol.com)

Nashville News, Nashville, AR

**EVA A. JONES, 82, BELOVED MOTHER, FEB. 1 FEBRUARY 3, 2005 - NO REPORTER CITED** Eva Aletha Darling Jones, 82, of Heber Springs, formerly of Camden, died Tuesday, February 1, 2005 in a Heber Springs hospital due to complications with cancer and pneumonia. She was a longtime former employee of Watts Department Store. Jones was preceded in death by her two loving husbands, Henry Charles Darling (1946) and Jesse Ruel Jones (1993). She is survived by two daughters and sons-in-law, Aletha Darling and Don Garner of Heber Springs, and Donna Denise and Garry Auld of Wildwood, Mo.; a son, Danny Lee Jones of Camden; her twin sister, Neva Barron of Camden; sister, Loretta Yates of DeQueen; six grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews. Graveside services were held Thurs., Feb. 3 at 1 p.m. in Greenwood Cemetery off Maul Road in Camden, under the direction of Proctor Funeral Home. The family received friends Wednesday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to St. Jude's Hospital or the American Diabetes Foundation

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## **Jones, George W.**

Submitted by: [Charlotte Manuel](#)

McCurtain Gaz. Dec 19, 1936

George W. Jones, aged 75 years, passed away Friday morning at 7:30 o'clock at the home of his son, J.F. (COOT) Jones at Shults following an illness of several weeks. Funeral services were held today at the residence with Rev. Jim Martin of

Redland, officiating. Burial was in Denison cemetery under direction of Coffey Funeral Home. Mr. Jones is survived by his wife; two sons, J.F.Jones and Bill Jones, of Mineral Springs, Arkansas;two daughters, Mrs. Nellie Warren of Bokhoma and Mrs. Lizzie Smith of Willis Point, Texas, and a number of grandchildren. Perry Forrester of Idabel, is a grandson. The deceased came to McCurtain county several years ago from Nashville, Arkansas, and had been engaged in farming until a few years ago. He resided near Broken Bow for a few years.

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## **Jones, J. D.** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Mr. J. D. Jones, age 76, a resident of Dierks, Ark., and former resident of De Queen, died Friday, August 28, 2009 in the Baptist Medical Center, North Little Rock, Arkansas. He was born to Sam Paul Jones and Maudie Lorene Best Jones at Gillham, Arkansas, on October 24, 1932. He was a veteran of the Korean Conflict, having served in the U. S. Army. He was a retired route salesman for Ideal Bakery Company, with 23 years service. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Gillham, and enjoyed fishing, hunting, and gardening. He was preceded in death by his parents, a sister, Maxine Veal, and his step-father, Jess Jackson. He is survived by his wife, Bobbie Nell Bearden Jones of Dierks, two step-sons, Robbie, and his wife, Kelly Miller and David, and his wife, Stephanie Miller all of Dierks, a step-daughter, Phyllis and her husband, Larry Edwards of Springdale, Ark.; two sisters and brothers-in-law, Betty and Bobby Ray, and Doris and Sammy Mickle all of De Queen, AR, a sister-in-law, Juanita Bearden of Dierks, Ark., eight grandchildren, ten great-grandchildren, three nephews, one niece, two great-nephews, and one great-niece. Funeral Services for Mr. J. D. Jones will be held at 2:00 p.m., Monday, August 31st in the Chandler Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Bobby Neal officiating. Burial will follow in the Gillham Cemetery, Gillham, Ark., under the direction of Chandler Funeral Home, De Queen. The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m., Sunday, August 30th

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## **Jones, Mrs. Jesse L.**

Submitted by: [Charlotte Manuel](#)

Wed. July 7, 1943

LIGHTNING IS FATAL FOR MRS.JESSE L. JONES STRUCK AS SHE STOOD NEAR WINDOW IN HOME A bolt of lightning struck and instantly

killed Mrs. Jesse Lee Jones, 27, about 5:30 p.m. Tuesday at her home two and one half miles south of Iron Stob. Mrs. Jones was standing near a window in her home when the lightning struck a tree nearby. She was dead when her husband, who was also in the house, reached her. Neither Jones nor their three children were injured. Funeral services have tentatively been set for 3:00 p.m. Thursday at the Shults Baptist church with Rev. J. A. Hogg officiating. Coffey funeral home is in charge. A native of Nashville, Ark., she is survived by her husband; three children, William Lee, Charlotte Marie, and Nadine Jones, all of the home address; mother, Mrs. Alice Odell, Idabel; two brothers, John Odell, Idabel and Pierce Odell, U. S. Navy in Washington; and one sister, Mrs. Dillard Jones, Idabel

Sat. July 10, 1943

#### SERVICES HELD FOR MRS. JONES

Funeral services for Mrs. Jesse Lee Jones, killed Tuesday at her house by a bolt of lightning, were held at 4 p.m. Thursday at the Shults church with Rev. James A. Hogg officiating. R. Merry. Interment was in Denson cemetery under direction of Coffey Funeral home. A quartet comprising Ernest McCombs, Mrs. Joe Kirk, Otto Doan, and ? Watson, accompanied by Mrs. Watson, sang "Farther Along", "This world is not my home:", and "If I could Hear My Mother Pray Again".

Bearers were James Burk, L.O. Cavender, George Goolsby, Malcolm Butler, Pat Martin, and W.H. Furlow.

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## Jones, Jesse Ruel

Submitted by: [Danny Jones](#)

Nashville, Arkansas

Jesse Ruel Jones, 82, of 209 North 11th Street, in Nashville, Arkansas, died Wednesday, Nov. 24, 1993, in the Nashville Nursing Home. Mr. Jones was born June 10, 1911 to Thomas Louis Jones and Emma Cornelia Holt Jones (her father was J.T. Holt, Howard County Judge), at their home, in the County Line Community. As he was growing up, he was a member of the County Line Baptist Church. At his death, he was a member of Immanuel Baptist Church in Nashville. Survivors include his wife of 42 years, Eva Aletha (Edwards, Darling) Jones of Nashville, Arkansas; one son, Danny Lee Jones of Camden, Arkansas; two daughters, Aletha Jeanette (Darling) Garner of Germantown, Tennessee, and Donna Denise (Jones) Auld of Ellisville, Missouri; one sister, Laura Zerelda (Zea) Jones Elkins of Nashville; four grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and a number of nieces and nephews. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m., Friday, at

the County Line Cemetary under direction of Latimer Funeral Home. The body may be viewed from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. today.

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## **Jones, Kelsie**

Submitted by: [Charlotte Manuel](#)

McCurtain Gazette Aug 6, 1984

**Kelsie Jones Dies Saturday, Services Set. Funeral services for G. Kelsie Jones, 74 , Broken Bow, are set for 2 p.m. Tuesday in the First United Methodist Church of Broken Bow, with the Rev. Brett Collins and the Rev. Clayton Walters officiating. Jones died Saturday in the McCurtain Manor Nursing Home of Broken Bow. Born Nov. 20, 1909 in Nashville Ark, Jones was a McCurtain County educator and political leader for more than 40 years. He was a member of the United Methodist Church and Goodwater Masonic Lodge of Haworth. In 1946, he became principal of Haworth Public Schools, later serving as superintendent of that institution. He also served as principal of Lukfata Elementary School for 21 years. In 1959, he was elected as representative of Oklahoma Legislative District No 1 (McCurtain CO) serving in that office until 1963. Survivors include his wife Molly Adcock Jones, of the home: one son, Phillip W. Jones of Ashdown, Ark; one daughter, Glenda Hammons of Hugo; one sister. Ruby Owens of Idabel; seven grandchildren, and one great grandchild. Arrangements and burial in Denison Cemetery are under the direction of Norwood Funeral Home of Broken Bow.**

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## **Jones, M.J. "Buck"**

Submitted by: [Charlotte Manuel](#)

Aug-1899 McCurtain Co. newspaper

**M.J. "Buck" Jones Succumbs Thursday Marion Jesse "Buck" Jones,77, died at his home in the Shults community at 12:10 p.m. Thursday following an extended illness, Born in Nashville, Ark, March 10,1879, he had lived in this community since 1916, moving from Ark. He was a retired farmer and a member of the Baptist church. Funeral services were set for 4 p.m. today at Shults Baptist church with Rev. R.R. Craig and Rev. J.B. Kirk officiating. Arrangements and burial in Denison cemetery are under direction of Coffey funeral home. He is survived by his widow; three sons, Earl and Wesley Jones of Baytown, TX. and Jesse Jones of Dierks, AR: two daughters, Mrs. Cleo W. Elliott, Pasadena,TX and Mrs Drebon Sanders, Idabel; two brothers, Jim Jones, Baytown, TX and**

Lenn Jones, Ontario, Calif; Three sisters, Mrs. T.A. McNeal(Linne),Locksburg, AR. Mrs R.R. Pryor(Gortha), Baytown,TX, and Mrs. Willie Setleff,(Beulah),Ashdown, AR. 26 grand-children and 28 great-grandchildren.

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## **Jones, Rosa**

Submitted by: [Andy Manuel](#)

At the home of her mother, in Mineral Springs,AR,Saturday, Feb. 18th,1888, Miss Rosa Jones. Alas, how fresh in our memory is the recollection of the loveliness and innocence of the lovely departed.& So young, so bright, so sweet in temper, so full of life, joy and hope.& How dearly her friends loved her. But a short time ago she was overflowing with the health, vigor and a happy spirit; the fountain of joy in the house. Now her poor earthly garment is laid away in the early grave, and her generous, loving, truthful spirit, with its mine of unwrought wealth, is with us only by the eyes of faith. How strange are the ways of Providence. May a sweet memory of her grace and beauty, with her firmness of soul and strength of character, with a blessed hope of a happy hereafter cheer the sad hearts of the bereaved. may the spring flowers, and balmy fragrance, and the sweet music of little songsters soon come to dispell the gloom from their hears. A friend, Buck Range, Feb. 20, 1888.

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## **Jones, Mrs. Steve**

Submitted by: [Charlotte Manuel](#)

Wednesday June 7, 1916 McCurtain CO newspaper  
Mrs. Steve Jones, aged 81 years, died at the home of her son, George W. Jones, near Shults, Monday night. Mrs. Jones came to this section, with her son's family, about two years ago from Howard Co. Ark., where she had resided since she was a young woman, and was well and favorably known to all of the older people. She leaves three sons, John Jones of Provo, Ark., F.E. Jones, of Nashville, Ark., and George W. Jones, of Shults, together with a great many other relatives, to mourn her death.

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## **Jones, Walter L.**

Submitted by: [Charolotte Farr](#)

Services Held for Walter L. JONES (Oct. 12, 1964) Walter L. JONES, 82, a

resident of Garvin County over 70 years, died Monday in Robberson-Shirley-Simmering Hospital. Services were held Wednesday in the Wynnewood Funeral Home chapel with Dr. Bobby Woods, pastor of the Wynnewood Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Oaklawn Cemetery. He was born Oct. 11, 1882 in Howard County, Arkansas. A farmer, he moved to Wynnewood in 1951 living in Garvin County since a boy. Survivors include a son, Junior JONES of Oklahoma City; two daughters, Mrs. Irene CLEMENT of Lancaster, Calif., and Mrs. Wanza COLLINS of Oklahoma City; one sister, Mrs. Anner TAYLOR, of Edmond; one brother, Dan JONES of Wayne; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

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## **Kennedy, James W.**

Submitted by: [Ruth Culpepper](#)

Brother James W. Kennedy was born Center Point, Ark. Sept. 17, 1869 died near the place of his birth 03-26-1900. Joined the M.E. Church, Center Point Circuit. Buried Salem Cem.(this was the son of robert kennedy 1829-1901 and america ann henry 1826-1887. america ann was the daughter of rev john henry of center point, ark) i found the obituary while looking at the bible of james w.b. kennedy. The bible was owned by maize kennedy hill of New Hope, Ark. in 1984.

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## **Kesterson, Edgar J.**

Submitted by: [Evaleen Brown](#)

Kesterson Rites Held Monday Funeral services were held Monday afternoon for Edgar J. Kesterson, 87, of Dierks, who died Saturday evening in the hospital here. Burial was in the Harmony Cemetery under direction of the Wilkerson Funeral Home of De Queen. The survivors include a brother Frank Kesterson of Nashville, and a number of nieces and nephews. He was a native of Ar, born September 20, 1881. He was a retired farmer and a member of the Missionary Baptist Church.

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## **Kesterson, Frank C.**

Submitted by: [Evaleen Brown](#)

Frank C.(Man) Kesterson, 96 of Dierks, Ar, died Wednesday in a Nashville nursing home. Services will be at 2 p.m. today in the Church of Christ in Dierks

with Bob Young officiating. Burial will be in the Fellowship Cemetery. Mr. Kesterson was born March 11, 1876 in Dierks, Ar. He was a lifetime resident of Howard Co. He was a retired farmer and a member of the Church of Christ. Survivors include a son, Reuben Kesterson of Dierks, Arkansas, four daughters, Mrs. Ollie Barber of Dierks, Ar, Mrs. Virgie Lay and Mrs. Elva Chandler, both of Hot Springs, Ar, and Mrs. Lela Thornton of Lockesburg, Ar, 22 grandchildren and a number of great grandchildren.

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## **Kesterson, Rueben Lester**

Submitted by: [Emily Evaleen Brown; oneshot2us@yahoo.com](mailto:oneshot2us@yahoo.com)

Reuben Lester Kesterson, aged 68, resident of Dierks, died Thursday morning, October 3, 1985 in Community Hospital, at DeQueen. Funeral will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, October 5, in Dierks Church of Christ with Lowell Lites, minister, officiation. Burial will be in Fellowship cemetery under direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home. He was born May 12, 1917 in Howard County and was an employee of Dierks Forests and member of the Church of Christ. Survivors include his wife, Elma Porter Kesterson, Dierks: two sons, Arlin Kesterson, Gillham, and Garland Kesterson, Dierks: two daughters, Evaleen Brown, Dierks and Betty Runnels of Texarkana: four sisters, Lela Thornton and Ollie Barber, Dierks, Elva Chandler, Nashville, and Virgie Lay of Hot Springs: 15 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren

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## **Kirby, George Virdo**

Submitted by: [Donnie Mounts](#)

Mr. George Virdo Kirby, age 76, a resident of Dierks, died Friday, June 3, 2005 at his home. He was born November 29, 1928 in Howard County to John and Arabia Jacobs Kirby. He was a heavy equipment contractor, rancher, and a member of the Burg Church of Christ. Mr. Kirby was preceded in death by one brother, Virgil Kirby, and one sister, Virgie Jackson. He is survived by his wife, Kathryn Chandler Kirby; two sons, Jerry Kirby and Steve Kirby, both of Dierks; one daughter, Janette Bearden of Umpire; 7 grandchildren, Tammy Williams, Marty Bearden, Laci Kirby, Billy Bob Kirby, Derek Kirby, Devin Kirby, and Laken Kirby; 7 great-grandchildren, 5 nieces, and 1 nephew. Funeral Services for Mr. Kirby will be held at 2:00 p.m., Sunday, June 5, 2005 in the Wilkerson Funeral Home Chapel in Dierks with Tommy Mounts and Bill

Tarlton officiating. Burial will follow in the Burg Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 6:00-8:30 p.m., Saturday, June 4, at the funeral home in Dierks.

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## **Kirby, Raymond Ray** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Mr. Raymond Ray Kirby, age 77, a resident of Dierks, died Tuesday, December 8, 2009 in the Crystal Falls Health and Rehab Center in De Queen. He was born July 23, 1932 in Burg, Arkansas. He was a heavy equipment operator, farmer and a member of the Community of Christ Church. Mr. Kirby was preceded in death by his parents, William Taylor and Gladys Lee Kesterson Kirby. He is survived by one brother and sister-in-law, Rex and Doris Kirby of Dierks; one sister, Bonnie Kirby Whitmore of Springdale; two nieces, Patti Halter and Sheri Faulkner; and three nephews, Bill Kirby, Mike Whitmore and David Whitmore. Funeral Services for Mr. Kirby will be held at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, December 10, 2009 in the Community of Christ Church on Hwy 278 north of Dierks with Johnny Arnold officiating. Burial will follow in the Burg Cemetery, under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home in Dierks. The family will receive friends from 6:00-8:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 9th at the funeral home in Dierks.

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## **Kitchens, Christopher Scott** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Christopher Scott Kitchens, age 24, a resident of Umpire, died Saturday, June 25, 2005 in Arkadelphia, AR. Chris was born on Saturday, August 23, 1980 in Hot Springs, AR to Scott and Debbie Kitchens. He was a Sergeant in Alpha Co. 489th Engineering Battalion of the Army Reserves of Hot Springs, AR. He served in Operation Iraqi Freedom for one tour of duty. He was a member of the Athens Missionary Baptist Church, was an avid hunter, enjoyed traveling and spending time with family and friends. Chris is survived by his parents, one sister and nephew, Jessi Kitchens and Jackson Christopher Kitchens of Umpire, AR; maternal grandparents, Larry and Belva Pinkerton of Umpire, AR; maternal great-grandmother, Ova Pinkerton of Dierks, AR; paternal grandparents, Dorman and Rogerlene Kitchens of Umpire, AR. Funeral Services for Chris will be held at 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, June 28, 2005 at the Athens Missionary Baptist Church with Bro. Travis Lane and Bro. Don Vaughn officiating. Burial will follow in the Athens Cemetery under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home, Dierks. The family will receive friends from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Monday, June 27, 2005 at the Wilkerson Chapel in Dierks.



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## **Krantz, Nina** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Mrs. Nina Ruth Krantz, age 65, a resident of Umpire AR, died Saturday, June 16, 2007 at her home. She was born February 21, 1942 in Walnut Ridge, AR to Charles Dewey and Dovie Sis McGee Toye. She was a retired poultry grower and a member of the Athens Missionary Baptist Church. Mrs. Krantz was preceded in death by her parents. She is survived by her husband, Bill Dee Krantz; one daughter and son-in-law, Debbie and Dana White of Umpire, AR; one son and daughter-in-law, David and Risa Krantz of DeQueen; two brothers and sisters-in-law, Russell and Juanita Toye of DeQueen and Charles L. and Stella Toye of Mena, AR; two grandchildren, Jaydan White and Ashley Krantz; and a number of nieces and nephews. Funeral Services for Mrs. Krantz will be held at 10:00 a.m. Monday, June 18, 2007 in the Athens Missionary Baptist Church with Travis Lane and Kenny Fant officiating. Burial will follow in the Burg Cemetery under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home in Dierks. The family will receive friends from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Sunday, June 17 at the Wilkerson Funeral Home Chapel in Dierks.

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## **Krantz, Royal William "Jodie"** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Mr. Royal William "Jodie" Krantz, age 88, a resident of Dierks, died Tuesday, August 31, 2010 in the Dierks Health and Rehab Center. He was born January 26, 1922 in the Burg Community in Howard County, Arkansas. He was retired from the construction business and a World War II U.S. Army veteran. Mr. Krantz was preceded in death by his parents, Andrew Jackson and Margaret Lou Davis Krantz; one son, Bobby Krantz; five brothers and four sisters. He is survived by one son, Michael Krantz and a number of nieces and nephews. Graveside Funeral Services for Mr. Krantz will be held at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, September 2, 2010 in the Burg Cemetery with Scott Kitchens officiating, under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home.

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## **Kykendall, Vickie L.**

Submitted by: [Donnie Mounts](#)

Mrs. Vickie L. Kykendall, age 57, a resident of Dierks, Arkansas died Saturday,

September 27, 2008 at her home. She was born July 15, 1951 in Story, Arkansas to George Frank and Effie Louise Howell Clenney. She was an L.P.N. Mrs. Kykendall is survived by her husband, Perry Kykendall of Dierks, Arkansas; one son, Mark Edward Brown of Jonesboro, Louisiana; three brothers, Glenn, George, and Douglas Mack Clenney all of Hot Springs, Arkansas; one sister, Dean Hodge of Stuttgart, Arkansas; and one special friend, Ester Wallace. Graveside Services for Mrs. Kykendall will be held at 2:00 p.m., Monday, September 29, 2008 in Mt. Joy Cemetery with Bro. Jimmy Jester and Bro. Jerry Jester officiating under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home in Dierks. The family will receive friends from 6:00-8:00 p.m., Sunday, September 28th at the funeral home in Dierks, Arkansas.

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## **Lacefield, Mrs. Elizabeth Jane Parker**

Submitted by: [Mary Ann Webber](#)  
the Arkansas Methodist

Mrs. Elizabeth Jane Lacefield, nee Parker, was born in North Carolina, August 19, 1846, and died at Athens, Ark., June 26, 1921. She passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Sallie James, who with her husband tenderly cared for her in her last sickness. She had an attack of her heart about three months before she died and was never well any more. But increasing pain was her portion until her release came. She was moved to Tennessee when a child where December 11, 1873, She married John S. Lacefield. This good man passed to his reward August 15, 1917. Since that time Sister Lacefield was very lonely. Her married life was a happy one. She was the mother of five children, all living: W. J. Lacefield, J. W. Lacefield, Richard Lacefield, Mrs. Sallie James and Mayme Holcombe. Her sister, Mrs. Fannie Harrison, preceded her to heaven a short time before. Sister Lacefield professed Christianity and joined the Southern Methodist Church when a little girl and lived a consistent Christian. She dearly loved her Savior and her Church. Her children and grandchildren know where to find her.

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## **Lites, Lowell Edmond**

Submitted by: [Donnie Mounts](#)

Lowell Edmond Lites, age 79, a resident of Dierks, Arkansas died Saturday, December 18, 2004 in the Howard Memorial Hospital in Nashville, AR. He was born March 28, 1925 in Wright City, Oklahoma to Otho L. and Allen May Kimbrough Lites. He was minister at Daisy Church of Christ, a retired

Weyerhaeuser maintenance supervisor, retired Dierks Fire Chief and a long time supporter of the Dierks High School softball team. He is survived by his wife, Selma Jean Sivley Lites; a son and daughter-in-law, Steve and Patsy Lites; a grandson and granddaughter-in-law, Chad and Tammy Lites; two great-grandchildren, Caitlin and Cody, all of Dierks; and a number of nieces and nephews. Funeral services for Mr. Lites will be held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 22, 2004 in the Dierks Church of Christ with James McRae and Danny White, ministers officiating. Burial will follow in the Dierks Cemetery, under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home, Dierks. The family will receive friends from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, December 21, at the funeral home in Dierks.

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## **Lites, Selma Jean**

Submitted by: [Donnie Mounts](#)

Mrs. Selma Jean Lites, age 79, a resident of Dierks, AR, died Monday, April 11, 2005 in the Wadley Regional Medical Center in Texarkana, TX. She was born December 12, 1925 in Dierks to Grover and Annise Scoggin Sivley. She was a retired employee of the Owl Drug Store in Dierks, and a member of the Dierks Church of Christ. Mrs. Lites was preceded in death by her husband, Lowell E. Lites on December 18, 2004. She is survived by one son and daughter-in-law, Steve and Patsy Lites; one grandson, Chad and wife, Tammy Lites; two great-grandchildren, Caitlin and Cody Lites, all of Dierks; one brother, O.V. Sivley of St. Louis, MO; and a number of nieces and nephews. Funeral Services for Mrs. Lites will be held at 2:00 p.m., Thursday, April 14, 2005 in the Dierks Church of Christ with James McRae, minister officiating. Burial will follow in the Dierks Cemetery, under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home in Dierks. The family will receive friends from 5:00-7:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 13, at the funeral home in Dierks.

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## **Lowrey, Michael**

Submitted by: [Donnie Mounts](#)

Michael Lowrey, age 33, a resident of Dierks, died Friday, July 18, 2008. He was born May 3, 1975 in De Queen to David and Gwen Cearley Lowrey. He was a graduate of Dierks High School, a poultry farmer, youth baseball coach, and a member of the First Baptist Church in Dierks. He is survived by his wife, Rachel Ward Lowrey; one son, Bradley Lowrey; two daughters, Perri and Maddie

Lowrey; his parents, David and Gwen Lowrey of Dierks, AR; two brothers, Scott Lowrey of Daisy, AR and Lance Lowrey of Dierks, AR; and a grandmother, Kathleen Lowrey of Texarkana, AR. Funeral Services for Mr. Lowrey will be held at 2:00 p.m., Monday, July 21, 2008 in the Dierks First Baptist Church with Kevin Smead and Ellis Jones officiating. Burial will follow in the Old Liberty Cemetery under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home in De Queen. The family will receive friends Sunday, July 20, 2008 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Wilkerson Funeral Home in Dierks.

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## **Manasco, Evelyn**

Submitted by: [rlpate@windstream.net](mailto:rlpate@windstream.net)

Evelyn Manasco, age 74, of Umpire, died Monday, March 3, 2008. She was born December 24, 1933 in Umpire, the daughter of Oscar Thomas Young and Snow Davis Young. On February 4, 1950 she was married to Reece Manasco who preceded her in death on August 5, 2003. She was also preceded in death by her parents. She was a member of the Umpire Free Holiness Church, and was on the bowling league in DeQueen. She is survived by one daughter and son-in-law, Brenda and Danny Litchford of Horatio; two grandsons, Jonathan Glasgow and Allen Glasgow; four great-grandchildren, Matthew and Jacob Glasgow, Cadee Reece Glasgow and Lexi Simmons; one brother and sister-in-law, R. B. and Wanda Young of Ashdown; two sisters and brothers-in-law, Belva and Larry Pinkerton of Umpire and Ruth and Don Vaughn of Umpire; and several nieces and nephews. Services will be at 2:00 PM, Wednesday, March 5, 2008 in the Umpire Free Holiness Church with Bro. Don Vaughn and Bro. Scott Vaughn officiating. Visitation will be held Tuesday evening, 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM in the Davis-Smith Funeral Home Chapel in Glenwood. Interment will be in Bethel Cemetery in Umpire under the direction of Davis-Smith Funeral Home, Glenwood.

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## **Manasco, R. A.**

Submitted by: [Tammy Sharp](#)

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**Justice of the Peace Sixty Years, R. A. Manasco Is Dead.**

**Useful Man of Umpire Community Died at Home Tuesday, March 22, at Age of 81.** Rufus Aaron Manasco, aged 81, died at his home at Umpire on Tuesday, March 22. Funeral services were held at Bethel, conducted by the Rev. J. Wayne

Mann of Waldo. Mr. Manasco was born August 17, 1869, about one and a half miles west of Umpire, and lived his entire life in that community. At the age of 21 years he was elected as a justice of the peace of Umpire township and served continuously in that office until his death., making more than sixty years in that service. He was a successful farmer, also. At the age of 16, he joined the Methodist church, and remained a faithful member of that church until his death. During a greater part of his church life, he was a steward and trustee of the church. He was a member of that body at his death. On December 15, 1895, he was married to Miss Mary Jane Faulkner. Ten children were born to the couple, all of whom survive, as follow: Mrs. Effie Sharp of Rush Springs, Okla., Tilden Manasco of Umpire, Mrs. Ozema Parker of Talihina, Okla., Mrs. Venice Burgess of Antlers, Okla. , Mrs. Clarice Gregg of Antlers, Okla., Mrs. Gladys Booker of Antlers, Okla., Chester Manasco of Hattiesburg, Miss., Mrs. Vernois Baber of Hot Springs. He is also survived by 28 grandchildren, one great grandchild, and one brother, Willis Jackson Manasco of Umpire.

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## **Manasco, Reece D.**

Submitted by: [Brenda \(Manasco\) Litchford](#)

Reece D. Manasco , age 74 of Umpire died Tuesday, August 5, 2003. He was born on May 16, 1929 at Umpire ,the son of Jim and Emma (Schoolfield) Manasco. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Bobby Neal Manasco. On February 4, 1950 he was married to Evelyn Young. He was a member of the Umpire Hunting club and a former employee of Dierks and Weyerhaeuser Companies where he worked in the forestry division. He was a farmer and a avid outdoorsman. He is survived by his wife, Evelyn Manasco of Umpire, his daughter and son-in-law, Brenda and Danny Litchford of Horatio; two grandsons, Allen Glasgow of Umpire and Jonathan Glasgow of McNeil; two great-grandsons, Matthew and Jacob Glasgow of Gillham; his brother and sister-in-law, Flenoia and Joye Manasco of Umpire; his sister and brother-in-law, Wanda and Gene Sirmon of Brandon, Miss. and many nieces, nephews and lots of friends. Services were held at 2:00 Aug. 7, 2003 in the Umpire Holiness Church with Bros. Don Vaughn and Keith Vaughn officiating. Burial will be in the Bethel Cemetery in Umpire.Pallbearers were Todd Manasco, Jason Manasco, Jimmy Manasco, Jerry Manasco, Mike Sirmon and Greg Sirmon.

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## **Manasco, Reese Dee** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Mr. Reese Dee Manasco, age 83, a resident of Dierks, Arkansas died Monday, December 28, 2009, in the Dierks Health and Rehab Center. He was born December 24, 1926, in Umpire, Arkansas. He was a retired millwright for Weyerhaeuser, an Army veteran, and a member of the Holly Creek Missionary Baptist Church. Mr. Manasco was preceded in death by his parents, James Polk and Tressie Hunter Manasco and ten brothers and sisters. He is survived by one son and daughter-in-law, Tim and Jan Manasco of Dierks; two daughters and a son-in-law, Derenda and Rick Butler of Hope, Arkansas and Joy Smith of Dierks; six grandchildren, Clark Manasco, Amber (David) Helms, Brandon Coghurn, Cassi (Jeffrey) Mounts, Lana (Brian) Halter and Devin (Chad) Robinson; seven great-grandchildren and a number of nieces and nephews. Graveside Funeral Services for Mr. Manasco will be held at 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, December 30, 2009, in the Bethel Cemetery in Umpire with David Helms officiating, under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home in Dierks. The family will receive friends from 6:00-8:00 p.m., Tuesday, December 29th at the funeral home in Dierks. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Harvest Texarkana, P.O. Box 707, Texarkana, Texas 75504.

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## **Marsh, Deneva Imogene** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Deneva Imogene McCauley Marsh, age 91, of Wickes passed away Tuesday, December 22, 2009 in DeQueen, Arkansas. She was born June 8, 1918 in Umpire, Arkansas to the late Henry McCauley and the late Pearl Jackson McCauley. She was united in marriage December 20, 1938 to Clovis H. Marsh. Mrs. Marsh worked many years for Lane Poultry and as a foster grandparent for the Wickes Kindergarten for seven years. She was a loving homemaker, wife, mother, sister, grandmother, great grandmother, great great grandmother, and friend. Survivors are: Daughter: Christene Kesterson and husband Joe of Wickes, Arkansas Sisters: Thelma Lee Baker of St. Maries, Idaho Bonnie Richardson of Wickes, Arkansas Winnona Davis Brewer of Wickes, Arkansas Grandchildren: Melinda Tadlock of Wickes, Arkansas Loren Kesterson of Wickes, Arkansas Twila Wilson of Wickes, Arkansas 5 Great Grandchildren 7 Great, Great Grandchildren A host of friends. She was preceded in death by her husband, Clovis Marsh and a great great grandson, Joshua Elvin Tadlock. Funeral services will be Thursday, December 24, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. in the Wickes Pentecostal Church with Reverend Chris Burk officiating. Interment will follow in the Daniel Cemetery in Wickes under the direction of the Beasley-Wood

Funeral Home. Pallbearers will be Leon McCleskey, Parker Meador, John Roberts, Allen Smith, Mike Richardson, and Vince Richardson

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## **Martin, Perry Wayne**

Submitted by: [Ruth](#)

texarkana gazette, tuesday june 23, 1998

perry wayne martin(son of perry william and annie mae wilson martin)died sunday june 21, 1998 at his home in dierks, ark. mr. martin was born jan. 16, 1937 in new hope, ark. he was a retired asphalt paving contractor, past worshipful master of dalley masonic lodge 264, chatham, la.,past worthy patronof order of the eastern star and an air force veteran. he attended mount carmel missionary baptist church. survivors include his wife, mary lou petet martin of dierks;two sons tony wayne martin and steve martin of dierks; one sister, ruth martin culpepper of jonesboro, la.; four grandchildren, beth mack and brad martin of arkadelphia, ark.;brady, and ben martin of dierks; and a number of nieces and nephews. services will be at 2 pm today at wilkerson funeral home chapel with the revs. jerry jester,jimmy jester and joe turner(all first cousins of perry wayne) officiating. burial will be in chapel hill cemetery, dequeen,ark. memorials may be made to the perry martin scholarship fund, first national bank of howard county, dierks, ark.

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## **Martin, Perry William**

Submitted by: [Robby](#)

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jackson parish ind., jackson parish, la. june 10,1993

perry william martin, age 80 of dierks, ark.(born july 10,1912, howard co. ark.) died friday june 4, 1993 in the howard mememorial hospital in nashville, howard co. ark. after a long illness. his parents were the late jordan william martin and emma f. henry martin. he was married to the late annie mae wilson of new hope, pike co. ark. mr. martin owned and operated a saw shop in chatham, la. for fifteen years. graveside services were held saturday, june 5, 1993 in the liberty cememetry, new hope, pike co. ark. rev. jerry jester conducted the services. burial was in the liberty cemetery, under the direction of wilkerson funeral home of dequeen, ark. surviors include on daughter, ruth montgomery of jonesboro, la;one son perry wayne martin and daughter in law mary lou petet martin of dierks, ark; three grandsons, tony wayne martin, steve martin and wife cindy

davis martin of dierks, ark: virgil william(billy) montgomery and wife pennie hicks montgomery of jonesboro, la; two granddaughters becky holmes and husband vincent holmes of chatham, la; mary kay schoonover and husband gale(rusty) schoonover of ruston, la; grandsons served as pallbearers: steve martin, tony martin, billy montgomery, rusty schoonover, and vincent holmes.

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## **Matthews, Lonnie** Submitted by: [rlpate@windstream.net](mailto:rlpate@windstream.net)

Lonnie Matthews, age 98, of Athens, passed away Wednesday, October 20, 2010, at the Dierks Health and Rehab in Dierks. He was born on February 12, 1912, in Sims, to Mont Ville Washington Matthews and Mary Belle Howard Matthews. He was a longtime resident of North Howard County. Lonnie was a U.S. Army veteran of WWII. He served in Germany, Belgium and France. He was drafted on April 5, 1944, and received an honorable discharge on May 16, 1946. He was a PFC of Company C of the 28th Division, 110th Infantry. Lonnie was trained as a rifleman, tank destroyer and ammunition bearer. He fought in the battles of the Central European Theater, Ardennes Forest, Rhineland and was a replacement for Battle of the Bulge. He received three Bronze Stars, Good Conduct Medal, WWII Victory Ribbon, Good Conduct Medal, American Theater Ribbon, EAME Theater Ribbon and Army of Occupation Ribbon (Germany). Lonnie was the oldest WWII veteran remaining in Howard County. Lonnie was a retired farmer, cattleman and school bus driver. On January 21, 1934, Lonnie married Winnie Mae House. Lonnie and Winnie celebrated 73 years of marriage together, prior to her preceding him in death on December 14, 2007. He was also preceded in death by his parents; and five sisters, Stella Pollock, Iva Plyler, Lorene Pichon, Zora Pinkerton and Ola Matthews. Lonnie is survived by his twin daughters, Verdene Lingo and her husband, Jerry, and Merlene Golden and her husband, Junior, all of Athens; two granddaughters, Cheri Flemens and her husband, Bruce, of Athens and Stephanie Strasner and her husband, Michael, of Dierks; five great-grandchildren, Ashley Aylett and her husband, Wes, Devin Flemens, Tyler Strasner, Brady Strasner and Allison Strasner; one great-great-granddaughter, Adalie Aylett; and numerous nieces and nephews. Services will be held at 2:00 PM, Friday, October 22, 2010, in the Davis-Smith Funeral Home Chapel in Glenwood with Bro. Dale Crawford, Bro. Scott Kitchens, Rev. Doyle House and Bro. Kenny Fant officiating. Interment will be in the Bissell Chapel Cemetery under the direction of Davis-Smith Funeral Home, Glenwood. Pallbearers will be Devin Flemens, Tyler Strasner, Randy House, Troy House, Larry House, Von Pate, Ronnie Pate and Royce Pate.

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## **Matthews, Winnie Mae** Submitted by: [rlpate@windstream.net](mailto:rlpate@windstream.net)

Winnie Mae House Matthews, age 91 of Athens, passed from this life on Friday, December 14, 2007. She was born May 30, 1916 to Joe House and Ida Pinkerton House in the Brushy community, near Newhope. On January 21, 1934, she married Lonnie Matthews. She was preceded in death by her parents. She resided in Athens her entire life and enjoyed homemaking and gardening. She is survived by her husband of 73 years, Lonnie Matthews of Athens; her twin daughters and their husbands, Verdene and Jerry Lingo and Merlene and Junior Golden all of Athens; two brothers, Jack House of Dierks and Doyle House of Fouke; one sister, Nora Faye Pate of Dierks; two granddaughters, Cheri Flemens of Athens and Stephanie Strasner of Dierks; five great-grandchildren, Ashley and Devin Flemens of Athens and Tyler, Brady and Allison Strasner of Dierks; and several nieces and nephews. Services will be held at 2:00 PM, Monday, December 17, 2007 in the Davis-Smith Funeral Home Chapel, Glenwood with Bro. Dale Crawford, Bro. Travis Lane and Bro. Doyle House officiating. Interment will be in the Bissell Chapel Cemetery. Visitation will be held Sunday, from 2:00 PM until 4:00 PM. Pallbearers will be nephews, Randy House, Von Pate, Royce Pate, Boyce Pate, Larry House and Troy House. Honorary pallbearers will be Bruce Flemens, Michael Strasner; and nephews, Ronnie Pate, Darrell Pate, J. W. Pate, Elmer Pate and Frank Pichon.

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## **McCall, Dorothy Evleyn Wilson**

Submitted by: [kathy kesterson](#)

Nashville News

Dorothy Evleyn Wilson McCall age 37 died April 3 1991 at her home in Little Rock. Graveside service service will be at 1 p.m Saturday under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home. She was born March 11 1954 in Grannis. Survivors include one daughter Cristy McCall of Mt View 5 sisters Joyce Kesterson, Kathy Kesterson of Dierks, Hazel Wakefield of Heavner, Virgie Hefiner of Little Rock and Lavern Kesterson of Nashville Preceded in death by her parents Oliver and Susie wWilson of Grannis

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## **Moore, Doyle Jack** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Mr. Doyle Jack Moore, age 85, a resident of Dierks, Arkansas died Thursday, July 1, 2010 in Dierks Health and Rehab. He was born July 19, 1924 in Newhope, Arkansas. He was a truck driver for Weyerhaeuser; he served in the U.S. Navy

during World War II and was a member of the Dierks Methodist Church. Mr. Moore was preceded in death by his parents, Jasper and Janie Lowery Moore; seven brothers and two sisters. He is survived by his wife, Earnestine McAlister Moore of Dierks; a special friend, Shawn Kirkpatrick of Athens, Arkansas and a number of nieces and nephews. Graveside Funeral Services for Mr. Moore will be held at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, July 3, 2010 in the Dierks Cemetery with Dany Partlow officiating, under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home in Dierks. The family will receive friends from 6:00-8:00 p.m., Friday, July 2, 2010 at the funeral home in Dierks. Memorials may be made to the Dierks Methodist Church Building Fund, P.O. Box 117, Dierks, AR 71833 or a charity of your choice.

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## **Morris, James Andrew**

Submitted by: [ROYCE LEE PATE](#)

Mr. James Andrew Morris, age 74, a resident of De Queen, died Tuesday, January 1st in the Brookwood Nursing and Rehab, De Queen. He was born to Grady Denzil and Sibyl W. Wakley Morris on November 29, 1938 at Umpire, Arkansas. He was a retired contractor, and minister of the gospel. He was a Holiness Minister and former pastor of the West Line Holiness Church, and Cottrell Mission at Stratford, Oklahoma. He enjoyed working, and mowing the yard. He was preceded in death by his parents, a son-in-law, Frank Dorse, and a grandson, Jason Morris. He is survived by his wife of over 53 years, Sheila Schloh Morris of De Queen, two sons and daughters-in-law, Brad and Tammy Morris of De Queen, and Brian and Paula Morris of Nashville, two daughters and a son-in-law, Lisa Dorse and Shonda K. and Waylon Yandell all of De Queen, eight grandchildren and their spouses, Julian and Deborah Dorse, Andy and LaShana Dorse, Kendra and Jonathan Weeks, Jessica and Jered Alexander, Nick Morris, Korey and Roxey Morris, Blake Yandell, Madison Yandell; thirteen great-grandchildren, three brothers and sisters-in-law, Wesley Haynes and Jodi Morris of Bella Vista, Arkansas, Warren and Robin Morris of Alaska, and Butch and Olena Morris of Umpire, Arkansas, five sisters and brothers-in-law, Helen and Richard Todd of Little Rock, Arkansas, Linda and J. R. Davis of Umpire, Arkansas, Gayla and Donnie Williamson of Wilmer, Alabama, Maxine and Garland Tallant of Horatio, and Judy Seals of Prairie Grove, Arkansas, and a number of nieces and nephews. Funeral services for Mr. James Morris will be held at 10:00 a.m., Friday, January 4th in the First Assembly of God Church of De Queen with Rev. Orville Cottrell, Bro. Billy Don Weeks, and Bro. Tracy Welch officiating. Burial will follow in the Bethel Cemetery at Umpire, Arkansas.

The family will receive friends at Chandler Funeral Home, De Queen on Thursday, January 3rd from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

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## **Morris, Sibyl (Wakley)**

Submitted by: [ROYCE LEE PATE](#)

b. April 12, 1919 d. April 1, 2000 Funeral Services Tuesday, April 4, 2000 2:00 pm. Free Holiness Church Umpire, Arkansas Officiating Bro. Donnie Williamson Bro. Don Vaughn Bro. Dale Crawford Interment Bethel Cemetery Umpire, Arkansas Pallbearers Brad Morris, Brian Morris, David Todd, Ben Seals Waylon Yandell, Julian Dorse Brett Crawford, Duane Crawford

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## **Mounds, Annie**

Submitted by: [Donnie Mounds](#)

Annie Mae Dalrymple Mounds, 63 if Dierks died Sunday June 29th in a DeQueen Hospital. She was born June 2, 1912 at Liberty Hill, AR., She was a member of the Dierks Church of Christ. Survivors include her husband George Mounds of Dierks; a son, Arthur R. Mounds of Pine Bluff, Arkansas; two daughters, Mrs. Dovie Arnold of Dierks, and Mrs. Georgia Kirkpatrick of Dierks, six grandchildren and two great grandchildren; and a number of nieces and nephews. Services were held at 2:30 p.m. Monday in the Latimer Funeral Chapel with Walton Weaver and Lloyd Collier officiating. Burial was in the Burg Cemetery under the direction of the Latimer Funeral Service of Nashville.

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## **Mounds, Arthur Ray**

Submitted by: [Donnie Mounds](#)

Arthur Ray Mounds, 48 of 6008 Farwill Drive, died Sunday at Jefferson Hospital. Born in 1931 at Dierks (Howard County), he as son of George A. Mounds and the late Annie Mae Dalrymple Mounds. Raised in Dierks, he worked for Dierks Lumber Company there until moving to Pine Bluff to work at the Dierks paper mill here. He was currently employed at the same mill now owned by Weyerhaeuser, as a head scaler. He served in the Army during the Korean War. He was a member of the West 28th Avenue Church of Christ, where he had

served as treasurer of the church and member of the building committee, and was a past president of the Coleman Elementary School Parent-Teacher Organization. Other survivors include this wife, Willa Dee Davis Mounts whom he married in 1959 at DeQueen; two sons, Joey Ray Mounts and Charles Lloyd Mounts of Pine Bluff; and two sisters Mrs. Dovie Arnold of Dierks and Mrs. Georgia Ann Kirkpatrick of Nashville, AR. Funeral services are scheduled for 2 p.m. Tuesday at the West 28th Avenue Church of Christ by Edgar Dye and Walton Weaver. Burial will be in Graceland Cemetery. Entered into Rest September 30, 1979

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## **Mounts, Elberteen Pate**

Submitted by: [Donnie Mounts](#)

De QUEEN, Ark.-Elberteen Pate Mounts, 71, of Dierks, Ark., died Friday, May 16, 2003, in Nashville, Ark. Mrs. Mounts was born June 4, 1931, in Athens, Ark. She was a homemaker and a member of Dierks Church of Christ. She was preceded in death by her husband, T.W. "Wilburn" Mounts, on July 7, 2002. Survivors include four sons and daughter-in-laws, Terry & Linda Mounts, Jerry & Debbie Mounts and Donnie & Leca Mounts of Dierks and Ronnie & Becky Mounts of New Hope, Ark.; two brothers, O.V. Pate of Langley, Ark., and Perry Kykendall of Dierks; three sisters, Imogene Stokes of Dierks, Linda Otwell of Sarepta, La., and Betty Hensley of Minden, La.; 10 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and a number of other relatives. Services will be 10 a.m. Monday at Dierks Church of Christ with James McRae and Kenny Fant officiating. Burial will be in Dierks Cemetery under direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home.

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## **Mounts, George A.**

Submitted by: [Donnie Mounts](#)

George A. Mounts, 88 of Dierks, AR died Friday, January 30th, 1998, at the Nashville Hospital. Funeral Services are scheduled for 2:00 p.m., Saturday, January 31st at the Dierks Church of Christ, with James McRae and Tommy Mounts officiating. Burial will be in Burg Cemetery, under the direction of Latimer Funeral Home. Mr. Mounts was born July 29th, 1909, at Dierks, Arkansas, the son of the late Tessie W. Sr, and Estella Simmons Mounts. He was a member of the Dierks Church of Christ, and a retired Weyerhaeuser employee. Mr. Mounts was preceded in death by his first wife, Annie Mounts, who died in

1975; a son, Arthur Ray Mounts; one brother and two sisters. He is survived by his wife Hazel P. Mounts of Dierks, Arkansas. Two daughters, Dovie F. Arnold of Dierks, and Georgia A. Kirkpatrick of Texarkana, TX..Two brothers, Roy Mounts of Dierks, Arkansas and Wilburn Mounts of Dierks, Arkansas. Three sisters, Nannie Cook and Maudie Golden of Dierks and Flora Harris of Daisy, Arkansas. 6 Grandchildren and 15 Great-Grandchildren as well as a number of Nephews and Nieces. The family will be at Mrs. Dovie Arnold's home, 927 old Highway 71 N., Dierks.

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## **Mounts, Ronnie**

Submitted by: [Donnie Mounts](#)

Ronnie "Hacksaw" Mounts, age 56, of Newhope, died Sunday, January 20, 2013. He was born on March 23, 1956, at DeQueen, the son of Wilburn Mounts and Elberteen Pate Mounts. On November 4, 1978, he was married to Becky Jester. He was preceded in death by his parents; and his father-in-law, Deloy Jester. He was a logger, a Christian and a member of the Pleasant Grove Free Will Baptist Church. He is survived by his wife, Becky Mounts of Newhope; two sons and daughters-in-law, Nic and Michelle Mounts of Glenwood and Todd and Shanna Mounts of Dierks; one daughter and son-in-law, Brandi and Barry Tolleson of Kirby; eight grandchildren, Hannah, Tripp, Kason, Karter, Adi, Gus, Bo and Sadie; three brothers, Terry Mounts, Jerry Mounts and his twin, Donnie Mounts, all of Dierks; and his mother-in-law, Ceola Jester of Newhope. Services will be held at 10:00 AM, Wednesday, January 23, 2013, in the Pleasant Grove Free Will Baptist Church with Bro. Kenny Fant and Bro. Raymond Dees officiating. Visitation will be held Tuesday, 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM, at the funeral home. Interment will be in the Pleasant Grove Cemetery under the direction of Davis-Smith Funeral Home, Glenwood.

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## **Mounts, Roy Othel**

Submitted by: [Donnie Mounts](#)

Mr. Roy Othel Mounts, age 83, a resident of Dierks, died Wednesday, March 2, 2005 at his home. He was born June 28, 1921 in Burg, Arkansas. He was a retired Foreman for Weyerhaeuser, a cattle rancher, a U.S. Army Veteran of World War II, and was a member of the Dierks Church of Christ where he was an elder. Mr. Mounts was preceded in death by his parents, Tessie and Estella

**Simmons Mounts. He is survived by his wife, Helen Chandler Mounts; two sons and daughters-in-law, Tommy and Joyous Mounts, and Randy and Rosemary Mounts, all of Murfreesboro, Arkansas; one daughter and son-in-law, Janie and Burl Krantz of Umpire, Arkansas; 7 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. Funeral Services for Mr. Mounts will be held at 10:00 a.m., Friday, March 4, 2005 in the Dierks Church of Christ with James McRae, minister, officiating. Burial will follow in the Burg Cemetery, under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home in Dierks. The family will receive friends from 6:00-8:00 p.m., Thursday, March 3, at the funeral home in Dierks. Memorials may be made to the Dierks Church of Christ.**

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## **Mounts, Mrs. Stella F.**

Submitted by: [Donnie Mounts](#)

**BURG AUG. 6, 1931**

**Mrs. Stella F. Mounts, who had been sick for quite a while quietly passed away last Thursday afternoon. She was born in West Virginia Jan 3, 1888. She was 43 years old and was married to T. W. Mounts Sept. 23, 1906 at Castlewood, Va. To their union was born 11 children. One which preceded her in death. She has left her father and mother, Mr. & Mrs. J. A. Simmons of this place. Her brother Paul Simmons of this place and Jake Simmons of Campaign, Tenn, her husband and children besides many other relatives and friends. She became a Christian when she was young. She was laid to rest in the Burg Cemetery. written by her daughter, Nannie Ellen Mounts Cook.**

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## **Mounts, T. W. "Wilburn"**

Submitted by: [Donnie Mounts](#)

**Mr. T. W. "Wilburn" Mounts, age 77, a resident of Dierks, Arkansas, passed away on Sunday, July 7, 2002 in Christus St. Micheal Health Care Center. He was born on August 19, 1924 to Tessie William and Estella Simmons Mounts in the Burg Community. He was in the timber industry, a member of the Dierks Church of Christ, a member of the Dierks V. F. W. and was the former mayor of Dierks for 12 years. Mr. Mounts is survived by his wife : Elberteen Pate Mounts ; four sons and daughter-in-laws : Terry and Linda Mounts of Dierks, Jerry and Debbie Mounts of Dierks, Donnie and Leca Mounts of Dierks and Ronnie and Becky Mounts of New Hope, Arkansas ; one brother : Roy Mounts of Dierks ;**

one sister ; Flora Harris of Daisy, Arkansas ; 10 Grandchildren and 7 Great-Grandchildren. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 10, 2002 in the Dierks Church of Christ with James McRae and Tommy Mounts, officiating. Burial will follow in the Dierks Cemetery. The family will receive friends on Tuesday, July 9 from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. in the Wilkerson Funeral Chapel in Dierks, Arkansas.

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## **Mounts, Tessie W.**

Submitted by: [Donnie Mounts](#)

Tessie William Mounts, 83, of the Fellowship Community near Dierks, died early Saturday March 30, 1963 at his home. He was a native of Indiana but had lived most of his life at Dierks. He was a retired farmer and a member of the Church of Christ. Survivors include four sons, George, Roy and Wilburn Mounts all of Dierks, and Dale Mounts of El Dorado. six daughters, Mrs. Archie Bearden, Mrs. Dan Weems, Mrs. Loy Cook, Mrs. Earl Golden, and Mrs. Johnsie Kesterson all of Dierks and Mrs Arlis Harris of Dequeen, a Half-brother, Jim Hill of Dierks, a half-sister, Mrs. Melvin Johnston of Winne Woodm, Okla., 27 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Church of Christ in Dierks with Mr. Bob Coburn and Mr. Roger Turner officiating. Burial will be in the Burg cemetery under direction of the Latimer Funeral Home.

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## **Owens, Wallace J.**

Submitted by: [Shelley Owens Woods](#)

Graveside services for Wallace J. Owens, 79 will be at 10:a.m. Saturday Dec. 8, 2001 at Hillcrest Memorial Park with the Rev. Jody Ham officiating. Mr. Owens was born Aug. 27,1922 In Dierks,Ark. to Taylor Jefferson and Lenora Kennedy Owens. He died Dec. 6, 2001 in a local care facility. He served as deacon at the Calvary Presbyterian Church, was a 32nd Degree Mason in Lodge 31 and a Scottish Rite member. He was a Navy veteran of World War II and worked as a self employed welder and inspector for several major oil and gas company projects. He was an avid fisherman and hunter. He and Barbara Jones were married on Nov. 2,1946 in Dequeen,Ark. Survivors include his wife of the home, two daughters, Diane Merritt, and her husband Mark of Springer, and Linda Damron, and her husband Ed of Euless, Texas, a son Rodney Owens and his wife

Liz of Las Vegas, Nev, a sister Diane Koller and her husband Joe of Ardmore, grandchildren, Melissa Henderson, Amy Dempsey, Dee Owens, Kacey Allen, Jessica Merritt, Chancie Merritt, and great- grandchildren Austin and Blues Henderson and Holden Dempsey. Bearers will be Bill Coleman, Herb Upchurch, Ed Damron Sr., Jimmy Wilkins and Danny Ford. Craddock Funeral Home will direct services.

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## **Parker, Arra Denman**

Submitted by: [Ken Milam](#)

Arra Denman Parker, 91, resident of Athens, Arkansas, died Monday March 25, 1985 in a DeQueen nursing home. Funeral services were scheduled at 2:00 PM. Thursday in the Mt. Zion Methodist Church with Bro. Don Vaughn and Bro. Joe Carlton officiating. Burial was in the Athens Cemetery by Geyer-Quillin Funeral Home in Mena. Mr. Parker was born November 07, 1893 at Board Camp, Arkansas. He was the son of the late Rueben Parker and the late Mrs. Sarah Cecil Parker, and was united in marriage to Lottie Kemp on October 09, 1921 at Minola, Arkansas. She preceded him in death on February 26, 1949. Mr. Parker had lived in the Athens community most of his life and had taught school in Heath Valley in 1917. He operated a general merchandise store until his retirement in 1950. He was a veteran of World War I, and served in Liverpool, England and at St. Noxain, France. He received a Purple Heart in 1918. He was a Baptist. Survivors include: two sons, R. J. Parker of Athens and Joe Ellis Parker of New Hope; two daughters, Mrs. Imozell Clark and Mrs. Vina Lee Cannon, both of DeQueen; one brother, Chalice Parker of Victoria, Texas; 11 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren. A daughter, Mrs. Idell Clay, and a son, L.D. Parker, preceded him in death.

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## **Parker, Chalice "C.C."**

Submitted by: [Ken Milam](#)

Chalice "C.C." Parker, 90, of Victoria, Texas, died Thursday, January 04, 1996 in Victoria, Texas. He was born September 04, 1905, in Howard County to Ruben Parker and Sarah Cecil Parker. He was a retired business owner. He was longtime owner of Parker and Davis Texaco Service Station in Victoria, was instrumental in forming the local chapter of Texas Service Station Association, a member of the Chamber of Commerce and Retail Merchants Association and a member of First Assembly of God. He was also a lifetime Mason and Shriner. He



is survived by his wife; Alice Davis Parker; a daughter, Nola Jackson; a son, Cecil C. Parker; three grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren, all of Victoria, Texas, He is preceded in death by two sisters, Annie Parker Metcalf and Era Parker Barton; four brothers, Austin, Denmon, Clarence and Orval . Funeral services were held Saturday, January 06, at the First Assembly of God with the Rev. Thomas K. Jackson officiating. A graveside service was held by Victoria Masonic Lodge 40 in Memory Garden. Interment was in Memory Gardens under the direction of Rosewood Funeral Chapels of Victoria, Texas. Pallbearers were; Arnold Buzzell, John Anger, Jim Matthews, Jack Meyer, Colby C. Parker and Max E. Haeber. Honorary pallbearers were Alvin I. Boyd, Judge Joseph Bumgardner and Elmo Estes.

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## **Parker, Faye Davis**

Submitted by: [Donnie Mounts](#)

(Obituary as printed by Davis - Smith Funeral Home.....Glenwood,Arkansas)

Faye Davis Parker, age 96, of Dierks, died Saturday, January 18, 2003. She was born on April 9, 1906 at Athens, the daughter of Nelson Davis and Nancy Thornton Davis. She was Church of Christ in her faith. She is survived by two sons, O. V. Pate of Langley and Perry Kykendall of Dierks; four daughters, Imogene Stokes and Elberteen Mounts both of Dierks, Betty Hensley of Minden, Louisiana and Linda Otwell of Sarepta, Louisiana; 16 grandchildren; 32 great-grandchildren; and 22 great-great- grandchildren. Graveside services will be held at 2:00 PM, Monday, January 20, 2003 in the Mount Joy Cemetery at Daisy with the Revs. Jimmy Jester and Jerry Jester officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Davis-Smith Funeral Home, Glenwood. The family wishes to give a special thanks to Mrs. Parker's daughter-in-law, Vicki Kykendall.

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## **Parker, Fred Sr.**

Submitted by: [Sherry Crews](#)

Nashville News

Nashville Ark.-Fred Parker Sr.,89,of Dierks,Ark. , died in a local hospital. Mr. Parker was born Dec.12,1905,in comanche,Okla. He was a retired farmer and member of mount Carmel Baptist Church. He was pre-ceded in death by his wife,Patra Edna Parker,who died Sept. 8,1994,and one grandson,Jerry Parker. Survivors include four sons,Houston Parker and Wayne Parker of Dierks,Fred Parker Jr. of Nashville and Donnie Parker of Evansville, Ind.,three

daughters, Lavon Reed and Joyce Sharp of Dierks and Carolyn Jones of Murfreesboro, Ark. 19 grandchildren, 29 great grandchildren and 10 great great grandchildren. Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Mount Carmel Baptist Church in the Mount Carmel Community near Dierks with the Revs. B.B. Harding and David Cassady officiating. Burial will be in Sunshine Cemetery in the Mount Carmel community under the direction of Nashville Funeral Home. Visitation will be 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. today at the funeral home. Also is one for my brother taken from the De Queen Bee Jerry Haskell Parker Jerry Haskell Parker, aged 44, resident of Dierks, died Wednesday, January 20, 1993 in Howard County Memorial Hospital at Nashville. Funeral services were held at 1 p.m. Friday, Jan. 22 in Holly Creek Baptist Church with Rev. Paul Young and Rev. Coy Zumwalt officiating. Burial followed in Fellowship Cemetery under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home in De Queen. Pallbearers were Bobby Tollett, Kenny Fant, Charlie Reel, Harold Cox, Bill Snyder and Jerry Moore. He was born May 9, 1948 at Nashville, was a quality control supervisor for Weyerhaeuser Company; and Pastor of Temple Baptist church in Murfreesboro. Survivors are his wife, Carolyn Jo Kitchens Parker of Dierks; one son, Scott Parker of Dierks; two daughters, Sandi Wickson of Nashville, and Lori Kykendall of Dierks; his parents, H.S. and Effie Parker of Dierks, his grandparents, Fred and Patra Parker of Dierks and Delia Bailey of De Queen; one brother, Calvin Parker of Dierks; two sisters, Judy Coleman of Dierks and Sherry Roberts of De Queen; two grandchildren, Jeremy Wickson and Candice Kykendall; and a number of nieces and nephews.

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## **Parker, L. D.**

Submitted by: [Ken Milam](#)

L. D. Parker, 17 year old, a valid son of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Parker of Athens, passed away at his home Tuesday morning at 10:00 AM, September 17, 1946 after a five day illness. His death was a great shock to the people of Athens. He was born August 14, 1929 and spent his entire life at Athens. Funeral services were held by Rev. Geo. Townsend and Rev. K. K. Carithers, Saturday afternoon, September 21, at 2:00 PM. His body was laid to rest in the Athens cemetery. He leaves to mourn his passing, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Parker, three sisters, Idell, Imozelle and Vina Lee, two brothers, R. J. and Joe Ellas, Two grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Rubin Parker, and other friends and relatives.

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## **Parker, Mrs. Lottie**

Submitted by: [Ken Milam](#)

Mrs. Lottie Parker, aged 54, wife of A. D. Parker, died Saturday morning, February 26, 1949 at the City Hospital in Nashville, after an illness of several Years. She was born December 01, 1894 at Mineola, Arkansas, and was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Kemp. She was married October 09, 1921 to Arra Denman Parker and spent her life in the Athens community where she was a neighbor and friend to every one. She had professed faith in Christ although she never united with any church. She is survived by her husband, 3 daughters, Idell, Imozelle and Vina Lee; Two sons, R. J. and Joe Ellas; two grandchildren; and seven sisters, Mattie McMellon, of Cove, Daisy Parsons, of Athens, Ida Shaw, of Smithville, Oklahoma, Myrtle Sharp, of Afton, Texas, Christine Land, of Holtville, California, Roxie Despain, of Athens and Nervia Cook, of Vandervoort. Funeral Services were held at 2:00 PM, February 28, at the Camp Ground Shed by Walter Mease of Wickes. She was laid to rest in the Athens Cemetery.

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## **Parker, R. J. "Bud"**

Submitted by: [Ken Milam](#)

R. J. "Bud" Parker, 60, of New Hope died Thursday, July 03, 1986 at Dierks, Arkansas. He was born November 10, 1925 at Athens. Funeral Services was held Saturday afternoon at 2:00 PM, in the Geyer-Quillin Chapel with Rev. Joe Carlton officiating. Interment was in the Athens Cemetery under the direction of Geyer-Quillin Funeral Home. Pallbearers were Hobart Dunson, R. T. Alexander, Hershel Cowart, Odie Bissell, Ireland DeSpain, Joyce Markham, Bartie Pate and Bobby Riser. Parker was the son of the late Arra D. Parker and the late Mrs. Lottie Kemp Parker. He had lived most of his life in the Athens Community and was a veteran of World War II. He was in the U.S. Navy in WW II and was stationed aboard a Flag Ship L.S.T. anchored down at Landgallion Gulf Invasion in Convoy near Japan, when his ship was destroyed by a Japanese plane. He was one of 12, out of crew of 100 that survived. Survivors are two daughters; one brother, Joe Parker, New Hope, AR; two sisters, Mrs. Imozell Clark and Vina Lee Cannon of DeQueen, Arkansas.

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## **Parsons, Metta**

Submitted by: [ROYCE LEE PATE](#)

Sunday, July 13, 2003 (3:45 pm PDT)

**Metta "Maw Maw" Parsons, age 98, of Athens, died Wednesday, July 9, 2003. She was born on December 4, 1904, at Baker Springs, the daughter of Richard Davis and Mary Watkins Davis. She was preceded in death by her husband, Lundy Parsons; her son-in-law, Russell Seals; and her grandson, Donnie Seals. She was a member of the Trinity Free Holiness Church. After forty-two years, she retired as a public school teacher. She is survived by her daughter, Myrtle Seals of Athens; her two granddaughters, Beverly Bigot and Gail Seals, both of Athens; seven great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren. Services were held at 2:00 p.m., Sunday, July 13, 2003 in the Athens Free Holiness Church with Bro. Dale Crawford, Bro. Donny Vaughn, Bro. Bill Weeks, and Bro. Sammy Cottrell officiating. Interment was in the Athens Cemetery, with arrangements under the direction of Davis-Smith Funeral Home, Glenwood. Visitation was Saturday, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Pallbearers were Tim Pugh, Jeff Pugh, Randall "Bo" Pugh, Ricky Don Seals, Brian Pounds, and Mo Walston. Honorary pallbearers were Maurice Manasco, Wayne Davis, Tommy Manasco, Terry Scott, Richard Ruth, Billy Don Weeks, Jr., Bob Seals, Flenoia Manasco, Reece D. Manasco, Russell Yandell, and Scotty Bigot.**

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## **Parsons, Mrs Nettie Lou**

Submitted by: [James Peterson](#)

THE WEEKLY STAR MENA , ARK. March 16th, 1983

**Mrs Nettie Lou Parsons, 93, of Umpire died Sunday in the DeQueen General Hospital, She was born August 11th, 1889 at Umpire. Funeral services was held at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Midway Church with Bro. Wayne Smith and Bro. Royce Golden officiating. Interment was in the Saline Cemetary under the direction of the Beasley-Wood Funeral Home. Pall bearers were Brian Parsons, Mack Smith, Bob Stacy, Mike Parsons, Gary Larey, Freddie Marshall, Ralph Smith, Larry Ward, Ed Stacy, Troy McGee, Ricky Marshall, and Bill Davis. Mrs. Parsons was the daughter of the late John Gordon and Mrs Lucinda Lackey Gordon. She was a member of the Church of Christ and a homemaker. She was married to the late Samuel Wiley Parsons on August 3rd, 1905 at Umpire. He preceded her in death on November 26th, 1979. Survivors are five sons- Cecil and Seldon Parsons of Umpire, - J. L. Parsons of Bartlesville, Oklahoma, - J.O.Parsons of Texarkana, Texas - and Gerald Parsons of Fort Smith, Arkansas. Six daughters - Mrs. Ethel Stacy of Lockesburg, Ark., - Mrs. Anna McGee of Glenwood, Ark., - Mrs. Inez Smith of Umpire - Mrs Florene Thompson of Shreveport, Louisiana - Mrs. Hazel Ward of Texarkana, Ark., -**

**Mrs. Maebelle Davis of Kingston, Oklahoma ; Two half brothers - Woodrow Gordon of Midwest City, Okla., - and Lonzo Gordon of Antlers, Okla ; One half sister - Mrs. Minnie Tignor of Clayton, Okla ; 30 grandchildren, 42 great grandchildren, 11 great great grandchildren, and one great great great grandchild.**

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## **Pate, Ernestine Griffin Roberts**

Submitted by: [rlpate@windstream.net](mailto:rlpate@windstream.net)

**Mrs. Ernestine Griffin Roberts Pate, age 73, a resident of Dierks, AR, died Sunday, February 22, 2004 in Little Rock. She was born on September 25, 1930 in Dierks to Ernest and Ethel Elizabeth Garner Griffin. She was a retired nurse and a member of the Mt. Carmel Baptist Church in Dierks. She is survived by three sons and one daughter-in-law, Butch and Nancy Roberts of Gillham, AR, Bobby Lynn Roberts of Gillham, AR, and Bruce Allen Pate of Dierks, AR; two daughters and one son-in-law, Deborah and Charles Smith of New Hope, AR and Anita Kaye Pate of Dierks, AR; three brothers, Ches Griffin and Gerral Griffin, both of Dierks and Donnie Griffin of De Queen; two sisters, Pat Alexander and Helen Lightfoot, both of Dierks; fourteen grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. Graveside funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, February 24, 2004 in the Dierks Cemetery with Rev. J.W. Gilbert officiating. The family will receive friends on Monday evening from 6:00 to 8:00 at the Wilkerson Funeral Home in Dierks, AR.**

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## **Pate Jessie Rector**

Submitted by: [Donnie Mounts](#)

**Texarkana Gazette**

**Jessie Rector Pate, age 74, of Dierks, Arkansas died Wednesday morning, August 1, 1979, at a Nashville nursing home. He was born, January 31, 1905, at Athens, Arkansas and was a retired logger. He was a member of the Eagles. Survivors include his son, O. V. Pate of Daisy, Arkansas. Two daughters, Mrs. Imogene Stokes and Mrs. Elberteen Mounts both of Dierks. One brother, William Pate of New Hope, Arkansas. Two sisters, Mrs. Alvie Davis of Daisy, Arkansas and Mrs. Dorthy Jester of Yakima, Washington. Also 11 Grandchildren, 9 Great-Grandchildren and a number of nephews and nieces. Graveside services will be at 2:00 PM, Thursday, August 2, 1979 at Bissell Chapel Cemetery near New Hope,**

Arkansas. Burial will be at Bissell Chapel Cemetary by the Latimer Funeral Home of Nashville, Arkansas

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## **Pate, Steve** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Steve Pate, age 46, of Athens, died Wednesday, July 21, 2010. He was born on November 14, 1963, in Nashville, the son of Bob Pate and Maye Morphew Pate. He was preceded in death by his father. He was a member of the Athens Missionary Baptist Church. He is survived by his son, Bobby Pate of Hope; his daughter, Sarah Pate of Athens; his mother, Maye Pate of Athens; three sisters, Debbie Pinkerton of Umpire, Cynthia Anne Pate of Corpus Christi, Texas and Rhonda Durrill of Murphy, Texas; one niece, Lori Chambers; and two nephews, Reeve Durrill and Evan Durrill. Graveside services will be held at 2:30 PM, Saturday, July 24, 2010, in the Athens Cemetery with Bro. Scott Kitchens officiating. Visitation will be Friday, 7:00 PM until 8:00 PM, at the funeral home. Pallbearers will be Leon Vines, Gary Pinkerton, Darren Durrill, Tony Kirkpatrick, Johnny Kirkpatrick and Marvin Blair. Arrangements are under the direction of Davis-Smith Funeral Home, Glenwood. Guest registry is at [www.davis-smith.com](http://www.davis-smith.com)

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## **Pate, William Nesiba**

Submitted by: [rlpate@windstream.net](mailto:rlpate@windstream.net)

William Nesbia "Pop" Pate, 87, of Newhope died Thursday June 26, 2003 Born March 1, 1916, at Athens to John William and Sarah Ella Sanders Pate, he was retired from Weyerhaeuser in Dierks, He was a memeber of the United Pentecostal Church and attended Bissell Chapel Church. He was predecesaed by two daughters, Betty Jean Kelsay and an infant; one brother, Jesse Rector Pate, five sisters, Bertie May Tollett, Clara Aylor, Alvia Bell Davis, Dorothy Lee Jester and Syble Dean Pate; and one granddaughter, Faith Angelee Pate. William married on July 28, 1937 to Nora Faye House. Survivors include his wife of 65 years, Nora Faye House Pate of Newhope; two daughters and son-in-laws, Joyce and Steve White of Newhope, Ark. and Glenda and Espye Magar of Mena, Ark.; seven sons and five daughter-in-laws, JW and Rozella Pate of Flatwoods, Ky., Elmer & Marcia Pate of Bluffton, Ind., Ronnie Pate of Newhope, Ark., Von Pate of Percy, Ark., Darryl and Rita Pate of Lexington, Ky., Royce and Yvonne Pate of Athens, Ark. and Boyce and DeAnna Pate of Newhope, Ark.; 23 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; nieces; and nephews. The service will be

2 p.m. Sunday in Davis-Smith Funeral Home chapel, Glenwood, with Brothers, David Morrison and Don Vaughn officiating. Pallbearers will be grandsons. Honorary pallbearers are Red Bishop, Bill Cox and David Bryant. Burial will be in Bissell Chapel Cemetery, near Newhope, Ark. Visitation will be 3 to 5 p.m. today.

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## **Pinkerton, John F.**

Submitted by: [Ruth West Murray](#)

Dec. 28, 1932 *McCurtain Gazette*

Dr. John F. Pinkerton, aged 51, died at the Sanitarium of Paris Tuesday morning at 1 a.m., where he and Mrs Pinkerton had taken their 4-year-old son for treatment. Dr. Pinkerton became ill while enroute to Paris and he entered the sanitarium about 7 p. m.. Kidney colic was given as the cause of his death. The body was brought to the Skaggs Funeral Home in Idabel in a Skaggs Funeral coach and prepared for burial. Funeral services were held Wednesday at 2 p.m. at the Battiest cemetery, services being conducted by Prof. Herbert D. Flowers, superintendent of the Idabel highschool. Dr. Pinkerton removed to Battiest ten years ago from Burg, Howard County, Arkansas, and was well known in the north part of the county. He is survived by his wife, six children; Beatrice, Gladys, J. M., Aaron and Leota Fay Pinkerton; one brother, Dr. A. R. Pinkerton, Amity, Ark.; and four sisters, Mrs. Eliza Bennett, Glenwood, Ark.; Miss Mary Pinkerton, Miss Etta Pinkerton, and Mrs. Nettie House of Burg, Arkansas. The deceased was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. David Pinkerton of Burg, Arkansas.

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## **Porter, Martha Sue**

Submitted by: [Evaleen Brown](#)

Martha Sue Austin Porter, aged 93, resident of Dierks, died Tuesday, March 28 at Community Hospital of De Queen following a lengthy illness. Graveside services and burial will be held Thursday, March 30 at Old Liberty Cemetery near Dierks with Rev. Jerry Jester officiating. Born March 27, 1896 at Burg, she was a member of Liberty Hill Freewill Baptist Church and the widow of Wesley Nathaniel Porter. Survivors include seven daughter, Mrs. Elma Kesterson, Mrs. Elsie Jones and Mrs Mary Cogburn, of Dierks, Miss Ethel Porter, Nashville, Mrs. Bessie Williams, Oklahoma City, Ok., Mrs Verleen Cogburn of Glenwood, Mrs Vida Ann Cogburn of California, 22 grandchildren, 32 great grandchildren, 12 great-great grandchildren, and a number of nieces and nephews. Memorials

may be made to the American Cancer Society, c-o Mrs. Vestal Steel, 616 Sunset Street, Nashville, Ar. 71852. The family will be at the home of Mrs. Elma Kesterson in Dierks.

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## **Porter, Nathaniel Wesley**

Submitted by: [Evaleen Brown](#)

Nathaniel Wesley Porter 60, whose home was three miles east of Dierks was killed early Monday morning, when a truck accidentally ran over him at Dierks. Porter, who was a WPA laborer of 18 months, attempted to board the truck as it was backing up, placing his foot on one of the wheels as a step. The wheel which was already turning, threw him to the ground and ran up his leg and body before the driver could be advised of the accident. "Wes" was born October 7, 1879 in Washington County, to William M and Ailcy Reed Porter. He died September 18, 1939, Monday morning at 7:30 AM.in Dierks. He is survived by his widow, Martha Sue Austin Porter, and seven daughters, Mrs Elma Kesterson, Elsie, Mary, Ethel, Bessie, Verleen and Vida Ann Porter, and one grandson Arlin Kesterson. Grave side services and burial will be in the Old Liberty Cemetery near Dierks.

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## **Priddy, Charles**

Submitted by: [Donnie Mounts](#)

Mr. Charles Priddy, age 71, a resident of Dierks, died Friday, June 10, 2005 in Dierks, AR. He was born Wednesday, December 6, 1933 in Forester, Arkansas to Dewey and Ruby Priddy. He was retired employee of Weyerhaeuser and was a truck driver. He was a US Army Veteran and served during the Korean Conflict. Mr. Priddy was preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Utah Priddy and one sister, Avis Peterson. He is survived by the mother of his children, Betty Priddy of Dierks, Ar; three daughters and three sons-in-law, Shela and Larry Kaufman of Broken Bow, OK, Leca and Donnie Mounts of Dierks, AR and Susie and Armando Berruquin of Dierks, AR; one son and daughter-in-law, Andy and Tonoka Priddy of Lake Hamilton, AR; two brothers, Denton Priddy of Alexander, AR and O.L. Priddy of Mena, AR; two sisters, Betty Robertson of Mena, AR and Zona Fuchesburger of Hatfield, AR; twelve grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. Funeral Services for Mr. Priddy will be held at 2:30 p.m., Sunday, June 12, 2005 in the Dierks Wilkerson Funeral Home Chapel with



Bro. Kelly Brown officiating. Burial will follow in the Dierks Cemetery under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home. The family will receive friends from 6:00-8:00 p.m., Saturday, June 11, at the funeral home

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## **Revels, Donald H.**

Submitted by: [LATJIM@aol.com](mailto:LATJIM@aol.com)

Nashville, Ark. - Donald H. Revels, 54 died Saturday morning at his home at Nashville. He was born May 17, 1912, at Lockesburg, Ark. and had been an employee of the Scott Lumber Co. at Nashville for 18 years. Revels was a member of the Church of Christ. Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Elbie Bennett Revels of Nashville; one son Royce Don Revels of Nashville; two daughters, Mrs. Lynn Jones of Nashville and Mrs. Odell Cope of Ft. Worth, Texas; one brother John Revels; one half-brother, Thomas Revels; two sisters, Mrs. John Slaton and Mrs. Ben Martz; one half -sister, Mrs. Reece Hale, all of Lockesburg; and seven grandchildren. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday at Latimer Funeral Chapel. Burial will be in County Line Cemetery under the direction of Latimer Funeral Service.

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## **Revels, Royce Don**

Submitted by: [LATJIM@aol.com](mailto:LATJIM@aol.com)

Nashville, Ar. - Royce Don Revels, 61, of Nashville died Thursday May 25, 2000, in a local hospital. Mr. Revels was born June 30, 1938 in Dierks, Ark. He was an employee of Millwood Trucking., a member of County Line Baptist Church and an Army veteran. Survivors include his mother, Elbia Revels Dildy; two sisters, Frances Jones of Nashville and Margie Cope of Fort Worth, Texas; and a number of neices and nephews. Services will be at 2 p.m. today at Latimer Funeral Home Chapel with Bob Endel officiating. Burial will be in County Line Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Ronald McDonald House, 1009 Wolfe St., Little Rock, Ark. 72202

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## **Roberts, Bobby Lynn** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Bobby Lynn Roberts, age 55, a resident of Horatio, Arkansas, died Thursday, July 8, 2010 in Jonesboro, Arkansas. He was born December 22, 1954 in El Paso, Texas. He was a horse trainer and attended Mt. Carmel Baptist Church. Mr.

Roberts was preceded in death by his mother, Ernestine Pate and one sister, Anita Pate. He is survived by his father, Millford G. Roberts and step-mom, Sandra Roberts of Camas, Washington; his children, Bobi Chanti Roberts and Terry Lynn Roberts both of Texas, Ricki Roberts of Lockesburg, Jesse Roberts of Camas, Washington and Katie Lois Parker of Portland, Oregon; his step-children, Senta Anderson and Mistie Dawson both of Texas, James Roberts, Kenny Roberts and Cody Roberts all of Washington; two brothers, Butch Roberts of Horatio and Bruce Pate of Dierks; one sister, Debbie Smith of Newhope, Arkansas; 13 grandchildren and a number of nieces and nephews. Graveside Funeral Services for Mr. Roberts will be held at 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 13, 2010 in the Dierks Cemetery with Greg Revels (who ministered to Bobby when he was in De Queen) officiating, under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home in Dierks. The family will receive friends from 6:00-8:00 p.m., Monday, July 12th at the funeral home in Dierks.

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## **Ross, Isaac**

Isaac F. Ross died March 10, 1951

Submitted by: [CRAN8441@aol.com](mailto:CRAN8441@aol.com)

Funeral Services Held Sunday For Mr. Isaac Ross

Funeral services were held at the Methodist church in Umpire Sunday afternoon for Isaac F. Ross father of Mrs. D.B. Dragoo of Hope. Mr. Ross died at his home at Umpire last Saturday. Officiating at the services was Rev. T.F. Westbrooks, while burial was made under the direction of the Howard County Burial Association. Among those attending the funeral were Mrs. Mary S. Goodman and Miss Sallie. Timberlake of McNab; and the following persons from Hope: Miss Gwendolyn Frith, Mrs. Lorraine Blackwood and children, Mr. and Mrs. J. Niece, Mrs. Phil Burns, Mrs. Ed L. Lane, and Rev. and Mrs. Elbert O'Steen.

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## **Seals, Paralee**

Submitted by: [ROYCE LEE PATE](#)

Friday, August 22, 2003 (6:37 pm PDT)

Mrs. Paralee Manasco Seals, age 94, resident of Umpire, died Sunday, Aug. 17, 2003 in Dierks Nursing Center. Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 19 in Umpire Methodist Church with Rev. Don Vaughn officiating. Burial followed in Bethel Cemetery under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home in Dierks. She was born Jan. 3, 1909 in Umpire to Jack and Dessie Hunter

Manasco; was a homemaker; a retired school teacher; and a Methodist. She was predeceased by her husband, Barney Seals in 1963; seven sisters; and five brothers. She is survived by two sisters, Billie Jean Dalrymple and Blanche Adams, both of Umpire; and a number of nieces and nephews. The family received friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 18 at the funeral home in Dierks.

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## **Sharp, Gracie G.** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Mrs. Gracie G. Sharp, age 93, of Dierks, passed away Sunday, July 5, 2009 in the Dierks Health and Rehab Center. She was born June 20, 1916 in Howard County. She was a homemaker and a member of the Dierks Assembly of God. Mrs. Sharp was preceded in death by her parents, Richard and Abby Hughes; her husbands, James Murphy and Robert Sharp; one son, William Murphy and one grandson, Robert Dale Carroll. She is survived by four daughters, Velron Young of New Hope, Arkansas, Robbie Carr of Whitesboro, Texas, Ruby Rohrbaugh of Dierks and Francis Jones of Angleton, Texas; fourteen grandchildren, thirteen great-grandchildren, three great-great-grandchildren; one sister, Alice Sharp of Umpire; one brother, Frank Hughes of Mineral Springs and a host of nieces and nephews. Funeral Services for Mrs. Sharp will be held at 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, July 8, 2009 in the Wilkerson Funeral Home Chapel in Dierks with Pastor Jerry Shinn officiating. Burial will follow in the Greens Chapel Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 6:00-8:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 7th at the funeral home in Dierks.

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## **Sirmon, Shirley** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Mr. Shirley Sirmon, age 87, of Mena, Arkansas, passed away Monday, February 1, 2010 at his home. He was born March 19, 1922 in Athens, Arkansas to the late John and Sally Ralls Sirmon. Mr. Sirmon was retired from the United States Forest Service and was a veteran of WWII. He was a devout Christian and a member and deacon of the Mena Free Will Baptist Church where he had been song leader for many years. He was a loving Husband, Friend, Daddy, and Pappaw. He is survived by: His wife of 40 years: Doris Sirmon of the home Children: Johnny Pat Sirmon and wife Sharron of Hurst, Texas Debbie Fryar and husband Harry of Oden, Arkansas Gregg Sirmon and wife Phyllis of Mena, Arkansas Helen Sirmon and husband Jay of Mena, Arkansas 7 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, six brothers, Roy, Ivan, Cecil, Winston, Faye,

and Floyd, and five sisters, Essie Logan, Lexie Jackson, Delphia Carter, Juanita Baber and Mary Nell Despain, a grandson, Darren Fryar, and his first wife, Fern Baber Sirmon. Funeral services will be Wednesday, February 3, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. in the Mena Free Will Baptist Church with Brother Donnie Jewell and Brother Don Vaughn officiating. Interment will follow at Pinecrest Memorial Park under the direction of the Beasley-Wood Funeral Home. Military rites will be conducted by the Veterans Honor Guard. A visitation for family and friends will be Tuesday evening, February 2nd from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Pallbearers will be Lloyd Schoolfield, Mickey Goss, Bob Turner, Steve Strother, Gene Sirmon, and Gary Sirmon. Honorary pallbearers will be Mike Hoover, Terry Davis, Dave Bunyard, George Watkins, Gary Threlkeld, and Mac Westmoreland.

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## **Sirmon, Winnie Musgrave**

Submitted by: [rlpate@windstream.net](mailto:rlpate@windstream.net)

Winnie Musgrave Sirmon, 83, of Dierks, died Wednesday, August 27, 2003, at her home. She was born Feb. 14, 1920, in Galena, Ark. She was a homemaker and a member of the First United Methodist Church in Dierks, Ark. She was preceded in death by her parents Dempsey and Sarah Luster Musgrave; her husband James Arvie Sirmon; and 11 brothers and sisters. Survivors include: two sons and daughters-in-law, Byrl Sirmon of Longview, Texas, and Dennis and Rebecca Sirmon of Dierks, Ark.; two daughters and sons-in-law, Phyllis and Dwight Sharp of Umpire, Ark. and Karen and Bill Wakley of Athens, Ark.; 10 grandchildren, Rhonda, Jimmy and Adam Sirmon, Bridget Wilson, Angela Allman, Wesley and Dustin Wakley, Jenny Moore, Claudia Arthur, and Michael Sharp; 10 great-grandchildren, Caitlyn and Connor Sirmon, John and Megan Arthur, Kaitlyn and Chloe Wakley, Alex and Trey Allman; and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held at 10:00 a.m., Friday, Aug. 29, at the Mt. Zion Church in Athens, with Bill Wakley and John Henry Williams officiating. Burial will be in Athens Cemetery, under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home of Dierks. The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 28, at the funeral home in Dierks.

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## **Smith, Grand-ma** April 22, 1909

Submitted by: [ROYCE LEE PATE](#)

The Arkansas Traveler Newspaper Vol 7 No. 29 Grandfield, Arkansas

## **GRAND-MA SMITH DIES Old Grand-ma Smith, Wife of Uncle Morgan Smith, Passes Away.**

**Old Grandma Smith, wife of Uncle Morgan Smith, peacefully passed away at her home five miles north-west of here last Saturday evening after an extended illness with dropsy of the heart and other chronic ailments. The remains were laid to rest in the Bissell cemetery Monday morning. The deceased and her husband were among the pioneer settlers of this portion of Arkansas, and were and are as well known and as highly respected as any citizens in Pike or Howard counties. This is saying a great deal, but we sincerely believe it to be the truth. Mr. and Mrs. Smith emigrated to this state from Tennessee some 40 or 50 years ago, and have resided in this portion of the country ever since. In the meantime they have built up a reputation for honesty and truthfulness and uprightness which is excelled by none and equalled by few. Deceased is survived by her aged husband, some seven or eight children and a whole host of grand-children and great-grand-children to mourn her departure, and to whom we extend our sympathies in their bereavement. We have been unable to see and interview any of the relatives of the deceased since her demise, and hence are unable to give the dates of many important events in the history of Mrs. Smith, and this we regret very much. From the best information we can get at this time we judge that she was at the time of her death somewhere near 75 years of age.**

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## **Stacy, Ethel**

Submitted by: [James Peterson](#)

**ETHEL STACY De Queen, Ark. --- Ethel Lee Parsons Stacy, 94, of DeQueen died Monday, Jan. 15th, 2001, in a local hospital. Mrs. Stacy was born August 13th, 1906 in Mineola, Arkansas. Her parents were Samuel Wiley Parsons and Nettie Gordon. She was a homemaker, former employee of Lone Star Army Depot and member of Church of Christ and Order of the Eastern Star. She was preceded in death by her husband, John M. Stacy, and one daughter, Martha O. Marshall. Survivors include two sons, Edgar Stacy of Lockesburg, Ark., and Robert L. Stacy of De Queen; five brothers, Cecil Parsons and Seldon Parsons of Umpire, Ark., J. O. Parsons of Texarkana, Jay Parsons of Bartlesville, Okla., Gerald Parsons of Fort Smith, Ark.; five sisters, Anna McGee of Glenwood, Ark., Inez Smith of Umpire, Hazel Ward of Texarkana, Florene Thompson of Shreveport, La., and May Belle Davis of Kingston, Okla; eight grandchildren; eleven great grandchildren; six great-great-grandchildren and a number of nieces and nephews. Services will be 10 a.m. today ( the 18th ) at Old Union Missionary Baptist Church with Raymond Ison and Royce Golden officiating.**

Burial will be in Old Union Cemetery under direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home.

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## **Stokes, Lawrence Emmett**

April 1, 1938 - September 30, 2006

Submitted by: [Donnie Mounts](#)

Lawrence Emmett Stokes, age 68 of Dierks, Arkansas, passed away, Saturday, September 30, 2006 in Hot Springs, Arkansas. He was born April 1, 1938 in Dierks to the late Lawrence and Mable Brumett Stokes. He was retired from Weyerhaeuser. Mr. Stokes was a member of the Dierks Assembly of God Church. He loved hunting and fishing and enjoyed visiting with anyone who would talk to him. He was preceded in death by his wife, Imogene Stokes in 2005. Also a sister, Atlelene Short and a brother, Billy Stokes. Survivors include 2 Sons, Bobby Wayne Stokes of Pike City, Arkansas Randy Lynn Stokes of Dierks, Arkansas 1 Daughter, Shirley Ann Virden of Nashville 2 Sisters, Christine Minx and husband Winfred Lavonne Thompson 2 Brothers, Junior Stokes and wife Cheryl Jimmy Don Stokes and wife Dorothy 3 Grandchildren A number of nieces and nephews And a host of other family and friends. Services will be Monday, Oct. 2, 2006 at 2:00 pm. At the Dierks Assembly of God Church with Bro. Sheldon Riley officiating. Burial will follow in Fellowship Cemetery near Dierks.

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## **Stokes, Imogene Pate**

Submitted by: [Donnie Mounts](#)

Jan 16, 1929 - June 14, 2005

Imogene Pate Stokes, 76 of Nashville, AR died Tuesday June 14, 2005 in a local hospital. She was born January 16, 1929 in Athens, AR to Rector and Faye Davis Pate. She attended Dierks Church of Christ. She enjoyed cooking, camping, and being in her yard. She loved her pets. Mrs. Stokes was preceded in death by a son, Gary Dale Chandler in 1979. She is survived by her husband, Emmett Stokes of Dierks, AR One daughter, Shirley Ann Virden of Nashville, AR Two sons, Bobby Wayne Stokes of Pike City, AR, and Randy Lynn Stokes of Dierks, AR., Two sisters, Linda Otwell and Betty Hensley both of Springhill, LA, and two brothers, O.V. Pate of Daisy, AR and Perry Kykendall of Dierks, AR, five grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren, and a host of other family and friends.

Services are 10:00AM Friday June 17, 2005 at Fellowship Church with Jerry Jester officiating. Burial will follow in Fellowship Cemetery under the direction of Nashville Funeral Home. Visitation will be Thursday from 6-8pm at the funeral home.

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## **Stokes, James H.** d Apr 4, 1910 Howard Co., Ar

Submitted by: [Kathy Hudson](#)

The Ar History Commission did not tell the newspaper or date this was taken from.

James H Stokes died at Dierks Sunday of pneumonia; at the age of 80 years. He is survived by a large family.

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## **Strasner, William T.**

Nashville News..thursday, Oct. 26,2000

Submitted by: [Carol Randall](#)

Umpire - - Funeral Services will be held at 2pm Friday, October 27 in the Umpire Seventh Day Adventist Church for William Travis Strasner, 96. Woody Larson, John Henry Williams and Glen Farnsworth will officiate. Burial will be in the Cedar Hill Cemetery under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home. Mr. Strasner was born Sept.20, 1904 in Umpire, son of the late William Jasper and Bessie Mae Hendrix Strasner. He died Wednesday, Oct. 25,2000 in a Mena hospital. He was a farmer, logger and member of the Seventh Day Adventist Church. & Mr. Strasner was preceded in death by his wife, Bessie Paralee Strasner, on Sept. 3, 1990. Survivors include: two daughters, Jessie Faye Pendergrass and Joye Fern Manasco, both of Umpire; four sisters, Pearl Moore of Denison, Tx., Lora Chambers of Atoka, Okla., and Nora Bearden and Carrie Krantz, both of Umpire; five grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and a number of nieces and nephews. The family will receive friends from 6 until 8 pm Thursday at the Wilkerson Funeral Home Chapel in Dierks.

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## **Tapscott, L. W. (Warner)**

Submitted by: [Robert L. Tapscott](#)

Nashville, Saturday, January 17, 1925

L. W. (Warner) Tapscott, aged 63 years, died at the family home in this city Th

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## **Tipton, Danny James** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Mr. Danny James Tipton a resident of Umpire, Arkansas, died Sunday, May 16, 2010 at his home. He was a retired mechanic for Weyerhaeuser. Mr. Tipton was preceded in death by his parents, O.D. and Mildred Tipton; and his wife, Ninette Tipton on August 15, 2005. He is survived by two daughters, Heather Kesterson of Panama City, Florida and Rachel Gardner of Athens; one son, James Tipton of De Queen; two brothers, Neal Tipton of Umpire and Glenvil "Red" Kesterson of Lockesburg; two sisters, Marilyn Keith of Umpire and Sherry Hammock of Athens; four grandchildren, Zack and Zoe Kesterson and Grace and Carson Gardner; and several nieces and nephews. A Memorial Service will be held at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, May 20, 2010 in the Athens Cemetery with Rev. Tim Johnson officiating, under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home in De Queen.

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## **Townsend, John Vechel, Sr.**

Submitted by: [Kenneth D. Townsend](#)

Mena Star Newspaper March 23, 1970

Funeral Services for John Vechel Townsend, Sr., 72 year old well known Mena resident who died Friday in Polk County Memorial Hospital, was held Sunday afternoon at two o'clock in the First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Osborne White officiating. Interment was in Pinecrest Memorial Park under the direction of the Beasley-Wood Funeral Home. Casketbearers were Gene Sanders, Guliford Forbes, A. V. Adams, Wayne Harris, Herbert J. Brown and Bob Roberts. Mr. Townsend was born at Umpire, Howard County on August 27, 1897, his parents being the late Mr. and Mrs. Nelson C. Townsend. He was a member of the Mena First United Methodist Church and of the Umpire Masonic Lodge. Mr. Townsend was a retired farmer and stockman, and was a former Tax Assessor of Polk County. On February 16, 1919, he was married at Umpire to Miss Beulah Pinkerton, who survives him. A son, John Nelson Townsend preceded him in death on June 16, 1946. Besides his wife, Mr. Townsend is survived by one son, J. V. Townsend, Jr., Tyler, Texas; one daughter, Mrs. Aleen Stover, Crane, Texas; one sister Mrs. Richard Yarborough, Little Rock; and four grandchildren.

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## **Turner Clifford Franklin**

Submitted by: [Classiccountry2@aol.com](mailto:Classiccountry2@aol.com)

Clifford Franklin Turner, 61, of Nashville died Tuesday, Nov. 2, 1993, in a Texarkana hospital. Mr. Turner was born Oct. 23, 1932, in Howard County, AR. He was a heavy equipment operator and attended Umpire Community Church. Survivors include his wife, Mozelle Turner of Nashville; one son, Clifford Wesley Turner of Nashville; one daughter, Shirley Adams of DeKalb, TX; two brothers, Cecil Turner of New Hope, AR., and Luther Turner of Langley, AR., one sister, Lorene Jackson of Kalama, WA.; and four grandchildren. Services will be 2 p.m. today at Nashville Funeral Home Chapel with the Revs. John Henry Williams and W.J. Taylor officiating. Burial will be in Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

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## **Vaughn, Glowie Aylor**

Submitted by: [ROYCE LEE PATE](#)

Glowie Aylor Vaughn, age 77, of Texarkana, formerly of Glenwood, Langley & Athens, died Friday, October 10, 2008. Funeral service Sunday October 12, 2008 at 2:00 PM Davis-Smith Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Don Vaughn, Bro. Anthony Woods and Bro. J. B. Evans Burial was in Glenwood Cemetery, Glenwood, Arkansas She was born on September 13, 1931 at Langley, the daughter of Ollie J. Grice and Lola Pinkerton Grice. On August 21, 1948, she was married to J. C. Aylor who preceded her in death on March 17, 1985. On December 26, 1988, she married Hilrey Vaughn who preceded her in death on July 28, 2006. She was also preceded in death by her parents; four brothers, Floyd Grice, Laver Grice, Doyle Grice and her infant brother : and one sister, Lois Davis. Glowie was a member of the Mt Tabor Free Holiness Church and enjoyed fishing, listening to southern gospel music, sewing and reading her Bible. She adored her family and was a devoted Christian lady. She is survived by three daughters and sons-in-laws, Twila and Jimmy Anderson of Glenwood, Audrey Baker of Texarkana and Linda and Mike Wood of Texarkana; four grandchildren and their spouses, Tasha and Nathan Davidson of Sullivan, Indiana, Nick and Cassi Brown of Bonnerdale, Leann and Dennis Owens of Pine Bluff, Michael Wood of Shawnee, Oklahoma; eight great- grandchildren, Zachary Davidson, Coleman Davidson, Kenyon Davidson, Grant Brown, Kaley Brown, Ethan Brown, Cherish Billingsley and Joshua Owens; one great- great-grandchild, Gavin Billingsley; one sister Allene Turner of Bentonville; and several nieces and nephews.

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## **Vaughn, Keith R.** Submitted by: [rlpate@windstream.net](mailto:rlpate@windstream.net)

Bro. Keith R. Vaughn, age 38, of Glenwood, died Wednesday, January 7, 2004. He was born on December 12, 1965 at Nashville, Arkansas, the son of Don Vaughn and Ruth Young Vaughn. On January 31, 1986, he was married to Deborah Howard. He was a pastor of the Mount Tabor Free Holiness Church in Glenwood and former pastor of the House of Prayer, Blair, Oklahoma, Mount Vernon Holiness Church, Oklahoma City and Paden Holiness Church, Paden, Oklahoma. He was a former evangelist for seven years and a former employee of Cooper Tires in Texarkana. He is survived by his wife, Deborah Vaughn; one son, Myron Vaughn; two daughters, Kari Vaughn and Hannah Vaughn all of Glenwood; his parents, Don and Ruth Vaughn of Umpire; one brother, Scott Vaughn of Glenwood; and two sisters, Annette Morris of Nashville and Donna Cox of Hot Springs. Services Saturday January 10, 2004 2:30 PM Glenwood First church of the Nazarene Officiating Revs. David Uselton, Steve Moore, Lendell Birdsong, Dennis Knapp, Aaron Brock and Jeff Wilcher Interment Mount Tabor Cemetery. Visitation will be Friday, 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM, in the Glenwood First Church of the Nazarene. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Mount Tabor Free Holiness Church, 35 Pigeon Roost Road, Glenwood, Arkansas 71943.

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## **Walters, Jimmie Clyde**

Submitted by: [Donnie Mounts](#)

Jimmie Clyde "Mutt" Walters, age 67, a resident of Dierks, AR, died Sunday, December 19, 2004 in the Christus St. Michael Healthcare System in Texarkana. He was born July 2, 1937 in the Kolbtown Community. He served in the U.S. Army and was a Baptist. Mr. Walters was preceded in death by his father, Clyde Marlin Walters and one brother, Billy J. Walters. He is survived by his wife, Judy Chambers Walters; one son, Lance Marlin Walters of Dierks; his mother, Mattie Alexander Walters of De Queen; three sisters, Pat Clay of Lockesburg, Diane Webb of Texarkana, TX and Tammy Kitchens of Miami, FL; two special nephews, Robert Butler of De Queen and James Wilson of Germany and several other nieces and nephews. Funeral Services for Mr. Walters will be held at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, December 22, 2004 in the Greens Chapel Church with Rev. Bill Driggers officiating. Burial will follow in the Greens Chapel Cemetery, under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home in Dierks. The family will receive friends from 4:00-5:30 p.m., Tuesday, December 21, at the funeral home in Dierks.

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## **Warren, Mrs. R.L.**

Submitted by: [Charlotte Manuel](#)

McCurtain Gaz. Sep 8, 1953

Mrs. R.L. Warren, 71, Idabel, died at her home at 5 p.m. Tuesday following a long illness. Born at Nashville, Ark., March 15, 1882, she had resided in Idabel for the past 38 years, moving from Nashville. She was a member of the Church of Christ. Funeral services have been set for 2:00 p.m. Thursday at the Idabel Church of Christ with Rev. Roy E. Howell, Leonard, TX and Rev. Roy Henderson, pastor, officiating. Arrangements and burial in Denison cemetery are under the direction of Coffey funeral home. She is survived by her husband; two sons, Perry Forrester, Idabel, and Dewey Yates, Norwalk Calif.; one daughter, Mrs. Albert Brakebill, Idabel; two brothers, Bill Jones, Mineral Springs, Ark. and Jesse Jones, Idabel; 18 grandchildren, and 11 great-grandchildren.

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## **Weems, Mrs. Elva P. Mounts**

Submitted by: [Donnie Mounts](#)

Mrs. Elva Pearl Mounts Weems, 53, wife of Dan Weems of Center Point died at 1:50 p.m. Monday, Sept. 6 1965, in a Nashville hospital. Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 8 in the Church of Christ at Dierks by Leroy Alexander and Roger Turner, ministers of Church of Christ. Burial was in Burg cemetery, directed by Wilkerson Funeral Service. A life-long resident of Howard county, she was born Nov 21, 1911 in Dierks and was a member of the Church of Christ. Other than her husband, she is survived by one daughter, Miss Karen Weems of Center point: four brothers, George, Roy and Wilburn Mounts of Dierks and Dale Mounts, of Camden: five sisters, Mrs. Archie Bearden, Mrs. L. L. Cook, Mrs. Earl Golden and Mrs J. C. Kesterson, Dierks and Mrs Arlis Harris of De Queen.

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## **Wheless, Ira Autry**

Submitted by: [Vera Reeves](#)

(obituary from a Porterville, Tulara County, CA newspaper date unknown)  
Graveside funeral services at 10 am Monday in Hillcrest Memorial Park have been announced by Lloyd Chapel for Ira A. Wheless, 65 who died yesterday

morning in a local hospital following a long illness. Wheelless was a native of Nashville, Arkansas and had lived in California for 45 years. He was a resident of Porterville for 36 years and was the owner of Wheelless Nursery. Survivors include his wife, Alma Wheelless of Porterville; two sons, Glenn Wheelless of Portland, Oregon and Kenneth Wheelless of Porterville; one sister, Bertha Bass of New Mexico and six grandchildren. (Note: He was known by his family as "Curly", born 10 Jun 1911 d. 20 May 1977 m. 27 Apr 1937 in Visalia, California to Alma Georgia Reeves. His parents were: William Henry Wheelless and Maude Jeanette Dotson)

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### **White, Jesse** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Jesse White, 80, of Cove, passed away Thursday, June 11, 2009 at his home. He was born February 7, 1928 in Athens, Arkansas to the late Earl James and Settie White. Mr. White is survived by his sister, Billie Jo McCoy of Mena, his niece, Janyce Looney of Mena, and his nephew, Barry McCoy of Cove. Mr. White will be sent for cremation under the direction of the Beasley-Wood Funeral Home.

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### **White, Lois Jean** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Mrs. Lois Jean White, age 83, a resident of Dierks, died Monday, June 28, 2010 in the Howard Memorial Hospital in Nashville. She was born October 9, 1926 in the Liberty Hill Community in Howard County. She was a homemaker and a member of the Burg Church of Christ. Mrs. White was preceded in death by her parents, Jim Henry and Rosie Choate Hill; her husband, Kemel D. White and several brothers and sisters. She is survived by one son and daughter-in-law, Gary and Ginger White of Nashville; one daughter and son-in-law, Peggy and John Tomblin of Umpire; one brother and sister-in-law, Dillard and Ila Hill and one sister and brother-in-law, Betty and Cleatus Brock all of Dierks; three grandchildren, Shawn Tomblin and Matt and his wife, Tonja Tomblin all of Umpire and Ben White of New Orleans, Louisiana; two great-grandchildren, Christopher and Abigail Tomblin and a number of nieces and nephews. Funeral Services for Mrs. White will be held at 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 30, 2010 in the Wilkerson Funeral Home Chapel in Dierks with Gerald Eaton officiating. Burial will follow in the Burg Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 6:00-8:00 p.m., Tuesday, June 29th at the funeral home in Dierks

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## **White, Victor Dean** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Mr. Victor Dean White, age 91, a resident of Dierks, Arkansas, departed this life on Thursday, January 3, 2013 in the Howard Memorial Hospital in Nashville, Arkansas. He was born January 29, 1921 in Alpine, Arkansas. He worked as a Lineman for the Rich Mountain Electric Co-Op for 26 years. He was a member of the Church of Christ for 60 years. He served as Deacon in the 2nd & Deal Church and also at Franklin & Juniper Church both in Borger, Texas. Mr. White was preceded in death by his parents, Clayton and Martha Tollett White; one sister and brother, Laverne White and Kimmel D. White; his wife, Vernice Cates White; one son, Billy Dean White and one grandson, Russell Cox. He is survived by two sons and daughters-in-law, Mark and Cynthia White of Texarkana, AR and David and Jessie White of Dierks, AR; four daughters and three sons-in-law, Vicki and Mark Graves of Texarkana, AR, Donna and Donald Strasner of Umpire, AR, Verna and John Jones of Murfreesboro, AR and Betty Griffin of Rockwall, TX; one brother and sister-in-law, Emmett and Beth White of Langley, AR; 14 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great grandchild. Funeral Services for Mr. White will be held at 3:00 p.m., Saturday, January 5, 2013 in the Burg Church of Christ with Gerald Eaton and Bob Carroll officiating. Burial will follow in the Bissell Chapel Cemetery, under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home in Dierks. The family will receive friends from 6:00-8:00 p.m., Friday, January 4th at the funeral home in Dierks.

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## **Wright, Alvin David "Butch"** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Mr. Alvin David, Jr., "Butch" Wright, age 70, a resident of De Queen, died Tuesday, February 3, 2009, in the Christus St. Michael Hospital, Texarkana. He was born to Alvin David, Sr. and Gracie Bell Wright at Aurora, Ill, on March 1, 1938. Butch served in the military with the U. S. Army. He was retired from the De Queen Medical Center, where he served in maintenance, and was a Baptist. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, visiting with coffee shop buddies, and spending time with family, especially his grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, and a brother, Johnny. He is survived by his wife, Pat Davis Wright of De Queen, a son and daughter-in-law, Mike and Linda Brew of Olathe, Colorado, a daughter and son-in-law, Brandi and Shawn Smith of Mena, Ark.; two sisters, Carolyn Pope of Broken Bow, Okla.; and Brenda Trejo of Lone Star, Tex.; four grandchildren, Brittany, Brenna, Michelle, and Brianna, a great-grandchild, Chole, a special nephew, Al Wright of New Boston, Tex. a special niece, Casey Russell of De Queen. Butch is also survived by his wife's family, two brothers-in-law, Buddy and his wife, Ruth Davis of Nashville, Tenn.; and Jimmy

and his wife, Teresa Davis of Umpire, Ark.; five sisters-in-law, Shirley and her husband, Joe Frachiseur, and Cathy Bennett of De Queen, Shelby Jeans, and Glenda and her husband, Ronald Peden of Nashville, Ark.; and Lenda and her husband, Bob Taylor of Wynnewood, Okla., as well as other nieces and nephews. Funeral Services for Mr. Butch Wright will be held at 10:00 a.m., Friday, February 6, 2009 in the Chandler Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Charles Hebert officiating. Burial will follow in the Section Cemetery near Athens, Arkansas, under the direction of Chandler Funeral Home, De Queen. The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, February 5th.

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## **Young, Oscar T. "Dock"**

Submitted by: [rlpate@windstream.net](mailto:rlpate@windstream.net)

Oscar T. "Dock" Young, age 92 of Umpire, Ark., died Monday Aug 25, 2003. He was born on Jan 10, 1911 at Umpire to Riley and Fannie Townsend Young. On Sept 14, 1932 he married Snow Flake Davis Young. He was a member of the Umpire Free Holiness Church. "Dock" was a retired poultry farmer and formerly owned and operated Young's Grocery at Athens. Young is preceded in death by: his wife, one sister, four brothers and one son-in-law, Reece Manasco. He is survived by: a son and daughter-in-law, R. B. and Wanda Sue Young of Ashdown, Ark., three daughters and two sons-in-law: Evelyn Manasco, Belva and Larry Pinkerton, and Ruth and Don Vaughn all of Umpire, Ark.; nine grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren, three great-great-grandchildren, one sister: Mazie Keith Kesterson of Umpire, Ark.; and one sister-in-law: Bonnie Davis of Umpire, Ark. Services will be held at 2 p.m, Thursday, Aug. 28 in the UmpireFree Holiness Church with Don Vaughn, Keith Vaughn and Scott Vaughn officiating. Visitation will be Wednesday, 6-8 p.m. Interment will be in the Cedar Hill Cemetery, iunder the direction of Davis-Smith Funeral Home of Glenwood. Pallbearers will be grandsons and great-grandsons. Honorary pallbearers will be SPC, Chris Kitchens, his great-grandson now serving in "Operation Enduring Freedom" in Iraq; also, Raymond Faulkner, Gerald Greene, Bob Seals, and Flenoia Manasco.

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## **Young, Verna V. "Johnnie"** Submitted by: [Royce Pate](#)

Verna V. "Johnnie" Young, age 89, of Mena, passed away Monday, January 19, 2009 in Mena. She was born May 30, 1919 in Athens, Arkansas to the late James

**Louis White and the late Cora L. O'Neal White. She was united in marriage to David B. Young. Mrs. Young was a nurse by profession. She was a loving homemaker, wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, aunt, and friend. Survivors are: Daughter: Janice Key of Mena, Arkansas Grandchildren: Tina Bray of Queen City, Texas Lori McCain and husband Andy of Nashville, Arkansas Vicki Cowart and husband Jason of Kirby, Arkansas Great Grandchildren: Cody Aaron of Mena, Arkansas Luke and Tess Cowart of Kirby, Arkansas Savannah and Andrew McCain of Nashville, Arkansas She was preceded in death by her parents, James and Cora White, her husband David B. Young, and a son, David B. Young, Jr.. Funeral services will be Friday, January 23, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. at the Beasley-Wood Chapel with Brother Dardanelle Townsley officiating. Interment follows at Pinecrest Memorial Park. Arrangements are under the direction of the Beasley-Wood Funeral Home. A Visitation for family and friends will be held Thursday evening, January 22, 2009 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the funeral home.**

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