



Bill Ellis

November 30, 1928 - January 18, 2014

William Elbert Ellis, age 85 of Dayton died at his home Saturday evening January 18, 2014 while surrounded by his family. Bill was born in Dayton on November 30, 1928 the son of the late Foster and Lella (Green) Ellis. He was a graduate of Rhea Central High School Class of 1947. A resident of Dayton for most of his life, he retired as a residential and commercial carpenter. He also enjoyed farming and gardening. Bill was a member of the Foursquare Gospel Church in Dayton.

He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Iva (Smith) Ellis of Dayton, his daughter Debi Ellis of Dayton, two sons, Gary (Connie) Ellis of Allegan, MI and William (Tina) Ellis II, of Dayton. Bill is also survived by his sister, Vera Jones of Daingerfield, TX, his brother, James Ellis of Spring City, nine grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Funeral services for Bill will be held Tuesday at 12 noon in the funeral home chapel with Rev. Ray Hill officiating. He will be laid to rest in Buttram Cemetery in Dayton.

Please share your memories of Bill on his online guest register at www.vanderwallfh.com.

The family is being served by the Vanderwall Funeral Home where they will receive friends Monday from 5:00pm until 8:00pm. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Hospice of Chattanooga.

Cemetery Details

Buttram Cemetery

Rhea County Hwy
Dayton, TN

Tribute Wall

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“ I met Bill several years ago when he helped me with some home improvement projects. I didn't have to worry as long as he was available. I knew he would do the very best job I could hope for. I will always remember his Christian demeanor and kindness to me. Such a special man. My condolence to his family. May God's peace and comfort be with you at this sad time.

Linda Bandy Arnold

Linda Bandy Arnold - January 21, 2014 at 09:13 AM



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“ I never saw this man that he did not smile at me. He was always a kind and gracious man. I remember his quiet strength. Whether he was in church or on the farm, you knew he loved his God and his family. He was an amazing man. How do I know? I see him everyday in his children and grandchildren. He left them a legacy of love. I am so sorry that I could not be there. His light will always shine Debi, as long as you guys are around. I pray that God wrap His arms around you and comfort you.

Donna Owenby - January 19, 2014 at 08:37 PM