



Frederick George Bedford

October 2, 1918 - August 5, 2010

Frederick George Bedford, age 91, of Dayton, TN, formerly of Hornell, NY, went to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Thursday, August 5, 2010 at his home at the Courtyard in Dayton. He was born October 2, 1918 in Williamsport, PA to the late Tom and Ethel (Foulk) Bedford. He was also preceded in death by his first wife Barbara Marie (Booth) Bedford.

Fred lived in Hornell, NY until moving to Dayton in 1973. He received his Bachelors Degree at Houghton College in Houghton, NY and Masters Degree at Middlebury College in Middlebury, Vermont. Fred taught French and Spanish at high schools in Houghton, NY and Hornell, NY and then at Bryan College in Dayton.

Fred served his country during World War II with the U.S. Army in the European theatre. He was a member of the Morgantown Baptist Church in Dayton, TN and Hillside Baptist Church in Hornell, NY where he had served as trustee, deacon and Sunday school teacher.

He is survived by his wife Mayme (Kerley) Bedford of Dayton, sons, Tom (Carolyn) Bedford of Hornell, NY and Frank (Barb) Sheddman of Evensville, TN, daughters Barbara (Herman) Posey of Hixson, TN, and Beverly (Bruce) Hatch of Emory, VA, brother-in-law Jay Paul Christian of Williamsport, PA, sister-in-law Elizabeth Booth of Pittston, PA, seven grandchildren, ten great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services with military honors for Fred will be held Friday evening at 7:00 pm in the funeral home chapel with Rev. Tom McManus officiating. The

family will receive friends one hour prior to the service.

Funeral services in Hornell, NY will be Monday at 12:00 noon at the Hillside Baptist Church with Rev. George Bailey officiating. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service. Fred will be laid to rest in the Hornell Rural Cemetery in Hornell, NY.

Please share your memories of Fred on his on-line guest register at www.vanderwallfh.com.

The family is being served by the Vanderwall Funeral Home in Dayton, TN.

Previous Events

Service

AUG **6**. 7:00 PM.

Chapel

Visitation

AUG **9**. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Hillside Baptist Church
Hornell, NY

Service

AUG **9**. 7:00 PM (ET)

Hillside Baptist Church
Hornell, NY

Tribute Wall



“ Several weeks before my high school graduation, I mailed out announcements to my family members and friends, not really expecting anything more than congratulation cards or a few gifts. Uncle Fred (my father's brother) wrote back, telling me that he was making travel plans because he didn't want to miss seeing his niece graduate. This was especially meaningful to me since my Dad was unable to attend. This is just one example of how Uncle Fred helped fill the void that resulted from my father's absence and early death.##imported-begin##Valerie Hauck##imported-end##

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“ My Great Uncle Fred was a special blessing to me. When I was just a little girl, he came to visit at our house. After he left, I told my mom, "I like that man." He had a very generous spirit and a deep love for many people. He supported many missionaries, myself and my sister included. He regularly corresponded with family and friends. I still have some of his letters. I remember visiting his home in Dayton six years ago and seeing all the missionary prayer cards and newsletters taped upon his bedroom wall. I wouldn't doubt he prayed for each one. Uncle Fred was a faithful man.##imported-begin##Naomi Hauck##imported-end##

August 07, 2010 at 10:10 PM



“ *Mr Bedford was a class act with a kind heart. I enjoyed him as an English teacher at Bryan College and his friendship with me (and my twin sister Jean) continued long after we graduated in 1978. He enjoyed a good joke on himself and never got insulted. He was a perfect college professor in that he loved the students and it showed. I was in contact with him just recently and am so glad we talked. He was a good, good friend.##imported-begin##Jan Hawkins-Boyd##imported-end##*

August 07, 2010 at 10:52 AM



“ *We first knew Fred when he came to Cedine Bible Mission after his first wife went to be with the Lord. He came to our house and we played "Probe". He was a lonely man then but later married Mamie Shedd and we later learned that she had been his student at Bryan many years ago. A godly man concerned for others using his knowledge of spanish to reach out.##imported-begin##Roger and Marge Butler##imported-end##*

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“ Mayme and family,
Fred was very special to us. I (Shirley) have know him since abt. 1974. When we went to live with my mamow (Florence Cheeks) after the death of my mom. My husband Frankie met Fred in the 80's while we was dating and got married. Our children Chris and Wendy have known Fred their entire lives and Riley met Fred a few times. We went to Morgantown Baptist Church with him. Fred was a wonderful, kind man and always a grandfather figure to me. The picture that you posted of him is exactly how I remember him, always with a smile on his face. We love him and will miss him. I know the angels and my mamow are rejoicing to have her dear friend with her again. We are so sorry for your loss. We will keep the family in our prayers. We are praying for peace and comfort during this difficult time.##imported-begin##Frankie, Shirley, Chris, Wendy, and Riley Danniels##imported-end##

August 06, 2010 at 03:06 PM



“ I'm so sorry to hear of Mr. Bedford's passing. Even though it's been 36 years since I was in his classs, I still have a treasured note that he sent to me after a play. I'm glad I had a chance to visit with him over the years. His kindness and warmth will always be remembered.##imported-begin##Sylvia Maye - Bryan College '78##imported-end##

August 05, 2010 at 01:59 PM



“ Sorry we didn't send the flowers sooner.##imported-begin##Bruce & Marian Bedford##imported-end##

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