



## Clarence Lucas

August 14, 1922 - April 15, 2012

On April 13, 2012, while sleeping peacefully, Clarence Lucas was called Home to God.

Clarence was born August 14, 1922 in Roe, Arkansas to Ike and Elzina Hopkins Lucas. He accepted Jesus Christ as his personal Savior at an early age and was one of seven children: Travis, Charles, Frank, Theophilus, Jessie and Adeline. Clarence was the last surviving member of this family.

Clarence joined the United States Navy in 1942. He trained as both a Ship's Cook and as a Gunner's Mate at Great Lakes Naval Training Center, North Chicago, Illinois and served aboard the USS Pathfinder during World War II. Upon his discharge, Clarence joined the Merchant Marines and saw even more of the world in the Pacific, from the Aleutian Islands in Alaska all the way to China and Australia.

Clarence prayed to God to help him find a wife. He wrote a childhood friend, Emma Earline Pride of Russellville, Alabama. She wrote back and on August 13, 1952 they became husband and wife. After the wedding, they moved to North Chicago, Illinois and started their family. Clarence was employed for twenty-two years by American Motors/Chrysler, in Kenosha, Wisconsin.

In 1981, Clarence and Emma Earline moved to Russellville, Alabama. They

enjoyed twenty-five years of golden retirement. Emma Earline, Clarence's best friend, went Home to God on September 15, 2006 after fifty-four years, one month and two days of living and loving together.

Funeral service will be Friday, April 20, 2012, 11 a.m. at Pinkard Funeral Home, Russellville with burial in Franklin Memory Gardens. Visitation will be prior to the service from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m.

Clarence is survived by three children: Patricia Lucas and Teresa Lucas of Mobile, Alabama and Victor Lucas of Meridian, Mississippi; three grandchildren: Claressa (J.R. Davis) of Atlanta, Georgia, Andrea (Greg Vaughn) of Jackson, Mississippi and Victor Lucas II of Biloxi, Mississippi; two great-grandchildren: Evelyn Lucas and Julian Davis and a host of in-laws, nieces, nephews, friends and neighbors.

"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

I Corinthians 15:58

Please know the family of Clarence Lucas wishes to express our acknowledgement and heartfelt appreciation to each and every one of you for all your kind expressions of love and support during our time of bereavement.

Thank you all.

Pinkard Funeral Home Russellville will be directing.