



Melvin Mays

October 12, 2012

Melvin Lester Mays, 87, of Phil Campbell passed away Friday, October 12, 2012, at Shoals Hospital.

Mr. Mays was a lifelong resident of Franklin County and a member of Mt. View Baptist Church, Phil Campbell. He was a self-employed merchant and the owner of the Piggly Wiggly grocery store in Phil Campbell. He was also a WWII veteran of the U.S. army.

The funeral service will be Sunday, October 14, 2012, at 2:00 p.m., at Pinkard Funeral Home Chapel, Russellville, with burial in Mt. View Cemetery. Officiating will be Bro. Sammy Taylor. The family received friends at the funeral home Saturday from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Survivors include his wife, Marie Davis Mays; children, Lester Don Mays and wife, Barbara, Phil Campbell, Sharon Mays Hipp and husband, Ben, Hockley, Texas, David Keith Mays and wife, Debra, Spruce Pine; brother, Robert Mays and wife, Jeanette, Phil Campbell; sisters, Opal McMurry, Russellville, Virginia Parrish, Russellville; grandchildren, Todd Whirley and wife, Melody, Zachery Whirley and wife, Dawn, Amanda Hipp Fowler and husband, Tony, Jonathan Mays, Emily Mays, Amy Mays Knight and husband, Bret, Elizabeth Mays, Michael Mays and wife, Liz; fourteen great-grandchildren; special friend, Levi Hall (Little Man), Phil Campbell.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Fred D. and Alma Cook Mays; and daughter, Wanda Davis Whirley and husband, Bob.

Pallbearers will be Billy Hurst, Danny Peppers, Randy Ertle, Dennis Davis, Bobby Davis, and Thomas James.

Tribute Wall



“ Pinkard Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Melvin Mays



Pinkard Funeral Home - October 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ I am so very sorry.##imported-begin##Joan Rogers Huggins##imported-end##

October 16, 2012 at 01:13 PM



“ So sorry to hear about your Daddy's passing. Found out when I got to work this morning. Cherish the memories. Psalm 46:1. Lean on Him and draw strength to get through the coming days. You are in our thoughts and prayers.
Love,
Don & Angela##imported-begin##Angela & Don Minor##imported-end##

October 15, 2012 at 11:06 AM



“ We will miss you so much Pap. Im so glad we got to Skype with you not long ago and you got to see the children. Im sorry you never met Isla but I know that you have seen her now and that they have another guardian angel watching over them. You were the best Great Grand Pap ever and we will keep your memory alive so that Lily,Isla, Ethan and Ewan will always know that you loved them and who you are. We love you Pap x###imported-begin###Elizabeth Mays###imported-end###

October 14, 2012 at 11:41 AM



“ Marie & family, You may not remember me but I want to tell you of a kind deed Melvin did for my son, Glenn Phillips. We lived in Phil Campbell when Glenn was 3 to 6 years old. Our neighbors were the Harrellsons and Susan was Glenn's girl friend. They loved each other. One day I found Glenn crying. I asked him what was wrong. He said, "Susan and I do not have any furniture for when we get married." We later went to buy groceries at the Piggly Wiggly and we told Melvin about Glenn's crying. He told Glenn to not worry, that he would make them furniture when they got married. Glenn was happy afterwards.###imported-begin###Kellon (Kitty) Phillips-Bates###imported-end###

October 13, 2012 at 11:16 PM



“ Pap was such a great man and although we haven't seen him much except to Skype he has always been in our thoughts. I'm so glad Michael made it home to see you Pap and we love you. I'm sorry you didn't get to meet Isla in person but I know you have seen her now and my children have gained another guardian angel. Pap, the best grandfather and great-grandfather. We love you and will miss you always x###imported-begin###Liz Mays ###imported-end###

October 13, 2012 at 03:16 PM



“ We are praying for your family.##imported-begin##Brad and Vickie Osborn##imported-end##

October 13, 2012 at 11:12 AM



“ Pap,

You were like a grandfather to me. I know we didn't get to spend much time together the last several years, but I will never forget the times we had together. You'll be in my heart forever.

Zac##imported-begin##Zachary Whirley##imported-end##

October 13, 2012 at 09:38 AM



“ So sorry for your loss, Mr. Mays was a great man. He will be missed.##imported-begin##Margaret Scott Lovett##imported-end##

October 13, 2012 at 08:12 AM