Minutes

of the

One Hundred Thirty-Ninth **Annual Session** OF THE Original Mates Creek Regular **Primitive Baptist Association**

ORGANIZED IN 1849

Held with

The Calvary **Primitive Baptist Church**

KIMPER, PIKE COUNTY, KENTUCKY

August 30, 31 and September 1st 1991

Next Session convenes with the Louisa Church, located at Millard, Pike County, Kentucky, Friday before the first Sunday in September, 1992.

DIRECTIONS: From Pikeville, Kentucky, take Route 460 and 80 to bridge at Millard, Kentucky (follow signs).

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Proceedings

Of the Original Mates Creek Regular Primitive Baptist Association Held with the Calvary Church

FRIDAY MORNING — August 30, 1991

The association was called to order by the Moderator. Prayer by Elder J. C. Hager.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder David A. Thacker. Text: Luke 23:34 - "Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do." Brother David was blessed to preach a very uplifting sermon.

Called for the letters from all churches. The letter from the Calvary Church was ready. Moved and seconded that we accept the letters and have the names of messengers enrolled in the minutes.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: The Association elected the following

to serve for the coming year:

Newly constituted churches called for. Mt. Zion Primitive Baptist Church came forth asking for a seat with Mates Creek as a Sister Church. Moved and seconded not to receive them in this union. New Hope Primitive Baptist Church of Pinsonfork, Ky. came forth as a newly constituted church asking to letter with Mates Creek Association. Moved and seconded to receive them.

Moved and seconded that we have our Abstract of Principles, Rules of Decorum, and Constitution printed in the Minutes. Messengers appointed last year to visit Sister Associations reported, and those unable to fulfill their appointments were excused.

Correspondence from Sister Associations received and seated as follows:

SAND LICK: Elders Ostil Smith, Roger Fuller, Frank Viers, Joshua Viers, and Deacon Fayne Viers

BURNING SPRINGS: Elder Glendale Bradley, Brub Dulin, Travis Barton, William Littleton, Jerry Brown, and Bro. Rupport Spark

ST. CLAIR BOTTOM: Elder Billy Cook, Eddie Lyle, and Deacon Ed Presley

LITTLE YADKIN RIVER: Elder Vance Jones and Robert Lawson MT. ZION: Elder David Bailey

UNION: Elder James Adams, Elders Corbin Hampton, Dallas Adams, Jr., Roy Adams, Deacons Teddie Stevens, Bobby Adams, and Tommy Adams

Visitors from Associations and various churches received and seated as follows:

SAND LICK: Elder Elmer G. Compton, Sisters Janice Newberry, Ada Childers and Pearl Rasnic

BURNING SPRINGS: Elder Monroe Cantrell, Brothers Loren Hensley, Louis Howard, Sisters Wanda Littleton, Anna Littleton, and Fay Howard

LITTLE YADKIN RIVER: Brothers Floyd Baker and W. H. Johnson, Sisters Myrtle Baker, Naomi Cook, Lillian Lawson, Nonnie Jones, Lona Sasher, and Mary Johnson.

ST. CLAIR BOTTOM: Elder Henry Hicks, Sisters Bonita Cook,

Virgie Lyle, and Nettie Presnell

UNION: Sisters Mary Adams, Mary Stevens, Anetta Stevens, Jean Adams, and Ruby Adams

BETHEL PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH: Elder Albert Altman STONY CREEK CHURCH: Elder Elbert Hunter and Sister Louise Hunter

SHARON PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH: Elder Johnny Bowen and Sister Thelma Bowen

MT. ENON ASSOC. OF FLORIDA: Brothers Hollis Albritton, Sr., Kennard Stone, Roger Welch, Cecil Polk, Elder Hollis Albritton, Jr., Sisters Margaret Polk, Virginia Stone, Myrtle Welch, Linda Albritton and Louise Albritton

MIAMI PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH: Elder Arnold O. Thompson, Deacon Bill Farley, Bro. Vernon Napier, Sisters Billy Farley, Jo Ann Napier, and Kittie Casey

WILSON CHURCH OF NORTH CAROLINA: Sister Betty Bostic

Moved and seconded that the Moderator make all temporary appointments.

A messenger from each church together with all the messengers from the Calvary Church was appointed to arrange for the preaching. They reported the following:

- A. Friday Morning at Calvary Church: Elders Albert Altman, Elmer Brown and Elbert Hunter
- B. Friday Afternoon at Calvary Church: Elders Vance Jones and Eddie Lyle
- C. Friday Night at Old Pond: Elders Lonnie Mozingo, Eddie Lyle, Albert Altman and Johnny Bowen
- D. Friday Night at Coon Creek: Elders Hollis Albritton, Arnold Thompson, Lundy Coleman, and Robert Worrix
- E. Friday Night at Grapevine: Elders Elbert Church, John Jacobs, Elmer Thacker, Paul Varney, J. C. Hager, Noah Slone, and David A. Thacker

- F. Saturday Morning at Calvary Church: Lonnie Mozingo, Hollis Albritton, Albert Altman, and Gerald Yates
- G. Saturday Afternoon at Calvary Church: Johnny Bowen and Arnold Thompson
- H. Saturday Afternoon at Mack Simpkins home: Elders Lundy Coleman, Robert Lawson and Teddy Ball
- Saturday Night at Big Creek: Elders David May, Paris Blackburn, Larry Thornsbury, J. C. Hager, and Michael Smith
- J. Saturday Night at Peter Creek: Elders Elbert Church, David A. Thacker, Randal Thornsbury, and Jerry Brown
- K. Saturday Night at Louisa: Elders Arnold Thompson, Billy Cook, Lundy Coleman and John Jacobs
- L. Saturday Night at John's Creek: Elders Jimmy Moore, Estil Owens, Franklin Viers, Paul Varney, Vance Jones, Robert Lawson, and Greg Moore

Committee on Arrangements was appointed as follows: Arlan Adkins, Don Hatfield, Elmer Thacker, Paul D. Justice, Leo Coleman, Paul Smith, Frank Ball, Joe Justice, Mike Smith, Ernest Blair, Ed Hunt, Lester Varney, Hal Arms, Lundy Coleman, Estil Hackney, and Elbert Church.

Committee on Finance was appointed as follows: Monroe Justice, Larry Scott and Walter May.

Messengers who agreed to visit Sister Associations as correspondence are as follows:

SAND LICK: Estil Van Dyke, Noah Slone, John Jacobs, Clifford Thacker, and Teddy Ball

UNION: Monroe Justice, Joseph Slone, and Noah Slone

ST. CLAIR BOTTOM: Monroe Justice, Elmer Thacker, Randal Thornsbury, and Teddy Ball

BURNING SPRINGS: Joseph Slone, Elmer Goff, Teddy Ball, Robert

Worrix, and Randal Thornsbury

LITTLE YADKIN RIVER: By reason of the change of the time of the next convening of the Yadkin River Association to begin on Friday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1992; no messengers can be sent until Mates Creek's next association.

MT. ZION: Don Hatfield, Teddy Ball, and Elmer Thacker NEW LIBERTY: Don Hatfield and Elmer Thacker

Moved and seconded that the association be adjourned until 10:00 A.M., Saturday Morning.

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SATURDAY MORNING — August 31, 1991

The Association met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by the Moderator.

Prayer by Elder William Littleton.

Roll called and absentees marked.

Committee on Arrangements reported the following:

Committee met at Calvary Church and was called to order by the Moderator.

- #1 We recommend that Peter Creek Church have the Annual Meeting for 1992.
- #2 We recommend that Louisa Church host the Association for 1992.
- #3 Called for the Circular Letter which was read, accepted, moved and seconded that it be printed in the minutes.
- #4 We recommend that the association carry on its work on Saturday in the usual manner.

Moved and seconded that the committee's work be accepted and that they be discharged.

Moved and seconded that our annual meeting be held with Peter Creek Church to begin Friday before the last Saturday in March, 1992.

Committee of Preaching reported the following for Sunday:

Song and prayer by Elder Glendale Bradley.

- 1.) Elder Roger Fuller
- 2.) Elder Jerry Brown
- 3.) Elder Franklin Viers
- 4.) Elder Teddy Ball

Finance Committee reported \$1,555.00 and was discharged.

Called on Union Meetings appointees to report. They reported, and those unable to fulfill their appointments were excused.

Union meetings and their appointees are as follows:

LOUISA: Meets Friday before the second Saturday in August, 1992. Elders to attend: Lundy Coleman, Paris Blackburn, Kit Ratliff, David Thacker, Elmer Thacker, David May, Ernest Blair, Paul D. Justice, Noah Slone, Owen Blanton.

OLD POND: Meets Friday before the second Saturday in June, 1992. Elders to attend: Kit Ratliff, Walter Sullivan, Elbert Church, Teddy Ball, Don Hatfield, Mike Smith, Paris Blackburn, Elmer Thacker, Quincy Stanley, Randal Thornsbury, Jimmy L. Smith, Bobby Blackburn, Basil Hatfield.

BIG CREEK: Meets Friday before the third Saturday in August, 1992. Elders to attend: Don Hatfield, Lundy Coleman, Basil Hatfield, David Edwards, J. C. Hager, Paris Blackburn, Kit Ratliff, Terry Thacker, Jimmy L. Smith, Ostil Smith, David Jacobs, Woodruff Dulin, Ernest

Blair, Paul Varney, Michael Smith, Robert Worrix, John Jacobs, and all orderly Primitive Baptist ministers.

RACCOON: Meets Friday before the fourth Saturday in July, 1992: Elders to attend: David Coleman, Jr., Clifford Thacker, Randal Thornsbury, Walter Coleman, Robert Worrix, David A. Thacker, Jeff Chapman, Ernest Blair, all other Elders are invited.

PETER CREEK: Meets Friday before the fourth Saturday in June, 1992. Elders to attend: Rufford Howell, Ernest Blair, Elmer Brown, Teddy Ball, Mike Smith, Kit Ratliff, Paris Blackburn, Robert Worrix, Lundy Coleman, Don Hatfield, Paul Varney, Jimmy L. Smith, Harrison Smith, Randal Thornsbury, Mike Elswick.

SULPHUR SPRING: Meets Friday before the first Saturday in August, 1992. Elders to attend: Kit Ratliff, Harrison Smith, Billy Cook, J. C. Hager, Robert Worrix, Teddy Ball, Elmer Thacker, Paul Varney, Randal Thornsbury, Noah Slone, Michael Smith, David May, Don Stacy, Ernest Blair, Vance Jones, Lawrence Jackson, Larry Thornsbury, Henry Price Viers.

LITTLE HOPE: Meets Friday before the first Saturday in July, 1992. Elders to attend: Walter Sullivan, Jimmy L. Smith, Basil Hatfield, Don Hatfield, Elmer Thacker, David May, Randal Thornsbury, Mike Elswick, Mike Smith, Robert Worrix, Teddy Ball, Monroe Justice, Elbert Church, Larry Thornsbury, Onis Smith, R. T. Thacker, J. C. Hager, Paul Varney, Noah Slone. All others are welcome to attend.

GRAPEVINE: Meets Friday before the third Saturday in July, 1992. Elders to attend: Noah Slone, Paul Smith, Elmer Thacker, Jeff Chapman, Kit Ratliff, Elmer Brown, Robert Worrix, Elbert Church, David Coleman, Teddy Ball, Paul Varney, Ernest Blair, Harrison Smith, Monroe Justice, Clifford Thacker, Jimmy L. Smith, Rufford Howell, J. C. Hager, Allen Coleman.

SAMARIA: Meets Friday before the third Saturday in June, 1992. Elders to attend: J. C. Hager, Kit Ratliff, Paris Blackburn, Jimmy L. Smith, Randal Thornsbury, Ernest Blair, Don Hatfield, Elmer Thacker, Teddy Ball, Walter Sullivan, Mike Smith, Paul Varney, Eddie Harris.

LITTLE UNION: Meets Friday before the first Saturday in May, 1992., Elders to attend: J. C. Hager, Harrison Smith, Paris Blackburn, Elmer Thacker, Randal Thornsbury, Jimmy L. Smith, Mike Smith, Robert Worrix, Paul Varney, David A. Thacker, Teddy Ball, Kit Ratliff, Clifford Thacker, Noah Slone, Lawrence Jackson.

JOHNS CREEK: Meets Friday before the second Saturday in July, 1992. Elders to attend: Teddy Ball, Paul Varney, Mike Smith, Harrison Smith, Ernest Blair, David Jacobs, Jimmy L. Smith, J. C. Hager, Franklin Viers, Henry Price Viers, Elbert Church, Jeff Chapman, John Jacobs, Paul D. Justice, Monroe Justice, Kit Ratliff, Noah Slone, Elmer

Thacker, Larry Thornsbury. We invite all brethren who are in peace and love.

CALVARY: Meets Friday before the first Saturday in June, 1992. Elders to attend: Kit Ratliff, Glenn Vipperman, Ernest Blair, Harrison Smith, Don Hatfield, Monroe Justice, Paul Varney, Robert Worrix, Noah Slone, Jeff Chapman, Michael Smith, Teddy Ball, Elmer Thacker, Elbert Church. All others invited.

DRY FORK: Meets Friday before the second Saturday in May, 1992. Elders to attend: Don Stacy, Paul Varney, Ostil Smith, Michael Smith, Jerald Yates, Jimmy L. Smith, Ernest Blair, Elmer Brown, Teddy Ball,

J. C. Hager.

FRIENDSHIP: Meets the fourth Saturday in August, 1992. Elders to attend: Lundy Coleman, Onis Smith, Paris Blackburn, Don Hatfield, Randal Thornsbury, David Thacker, Robert Worrix, Basil Hatfield, Mike Elswick, Walter Sullivan, David Coleman, J. C. Hager and all

orderly, orthodox Primitive Baptist ministers.

COLUMBUS: Meets Friday before the fourth Saturday in April, 1992. Elders to attend: Teddy Ball, Robert Worrix, David Coleman, Jr., Paul D. Justice, Elmer Thacker, Clifford Thacker, Noah Slone, John Jacobs, David Jacobs, David Thacker, J. C. Hager, Arnold Thompson, Randal Thornsbury, Woodruff Dulin, Greg Moore, Don Hatfield, Opa Thacker, Ivel Farmer, Ernest Blair, Onis Smith, Franklin Viers.

DEERFIELD: Meets Friday before the fourth Saturday in June, 1992. Elders to attend: Elmer Thacker, Randal Thornsbury, Larry Thornsbury, David Thacker, Lundy Coleman, Onis Smith, Paris Blackburn, Ernest Blair, Greg Moore, Woodruff Dulin, Junior Barton, David May, Billy Cook, Vance Jones, Jerry Brown, Arnold Thompson, Paul Varney, Ivel Farmer, Jim Duty.

PLEASANT HILL: Meets Friday before the third Saturday in April, 1992. Elders to attend: J. C. Hager, John Jacobs, David Jacobs, Harrison Smith, Ivel Farmer, Jim Duty, Estil Owens, David Thacker, Rufford Howell, Leonard Barton, Arnold Thompson, Hester Gilliam.

NEW HOPE: Meets Friday before the fourth Saturday in May, 1992. Elders to attend: Quincy Stanley, Bobby Blackburn, Teddy Ball, Michael Smith, Elmer Thacker, Don Hatfield, Randal Thornsbury, R. T. Thacker, Noah Slone, Kit Ratliff.

Circular Letter called for, read, received and to be printed in the

Minutes and that Elder Noah Slone prepare the next one.

Agreed that we have 2000 minutes printed and annex our Constitution, Rules of Decorum, and Articles of Faith and the Obituaries of the following: Sisters - Gail Caroline Anthony, Ida E. May Goff, Dixie Collins, Gladis M. Coleman, Lydia Smith, Vicy Dale Thacker, Dicy Ball,

Verna Chapman, Mona Ball, Bessie Stanley, Daisy Patterson Slone and Elizabeth (Lizzie) Billiter. Brethren - Ralph Douglas Varney, Grant Orville Morris, Lora Coleman, Wayne Bevins, T. Blackburn, Leura Varney, Ray Turnemire, Samual Ray Hurley, Edward Ray Smith, George W. McCoy, Linton Dutch Blackburn and George Jefferson Coleman.

Agreed that the Brother Clerk superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes and that all funds left after paying for the minutes and other expenses of the Association be left in his care until the next Association.

The Finances was disposed as follows:	
Balance left on hand from last year	\$4,350.59
Amount received from the Churches	
9-1-91	1,555.00
Amount for Obituaries	265.00
Total Cash on hand	\$6,170.59
Cash paid out	
Paid for 1990 Minutes	\$1,705.22
Give Moderator	50.00
Give Asst. Moderator	50.00
Give the Clerk	50.00
Give Asst. Clerk	50.00
Total Cash Paid Out	\$1,905.22
Balance left on hand	\$4,265.37

Agreed that our next Association be held with the Louisa Church of Millard, Pike County, Ky., to begin at 10:00 o'clock Friday before the first Sunday in September, 1992. Elder J. C. Hager was appointed to preach the Introductory Sermon. Elder Jimmie Lee Smith to be his alternate. Closed by prayer by Elder Robert B. Worrix. Then adjourned until the time for our next Association.

Signed by: Teddy R. Ball, Moderator
Robert B. Worrix, Asst. Moderator
Stearl Hatfield, Clerk
Randal Thornsbury, Asst. Clerk

SUNDAY MORNING — September 1, 1991

INTRODUCTORY — Singing and Prayer by Elder Glendell Bradley.

1. Elder Roger Fuller of the Sand Lick Association. Text: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Brother Roger was blessed to preach a wonderful sermon.

 Elder Jerry Brown of the Burning Springs Association. Text: Never been too late for the Lord. Brother Brown was graciously blessed to preach amid much rejoicing and shouting of the congregation.

Elder Franklin Viers of the Sand Lick Association. Text: And you
hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sin: Brother
Franklin was blessed amid shouting and rejoicing and praises to God.

4. Elder Teddy R. Ball, Moderator of our own Association. Text: If when we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more shall we be saved by his life. Brother Teddy closed out the Association with much rejoicing.

Dismissed by Elder Jimmie Moore.

CIRCULAR LETTER

Dear Brothers, Sisters and Friends of the Mates Creek Association:

Since being chosen at the last sitting of this association to write this circular letter for this one hundred thirty-ninth session of this association, I have tried to beg GOD that he would bless me to write to the

comfort and edification of his people.

My mind is continually led to "THE CHURCH", and what it means to me. It has been my experience that I have had no greater happiness or peace, than since the time that I feel that Jesus in his wondrous mercy performed his life-saving operation on this unworthy creature and removed his hard and stoney heart and replaced it with a heart of flesh (Ezek. 11:19). When the spirit is striving and we are lifted up to sit in those heavenly places that Paul wrote of (Eph. 11:19), there is no greater peace or happiness (John 14:27), for this is the peace that JESUS left us and there is none greater. The greater news, however, is that it will get even better after a while, "for eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the great things which GOD hath prepared for them that love him" (Cor. 2:9).

When blessed unto these heavenly places we see through the glass darkly (Corinthians 13:12) the images of things to come, and I can certainly imagine some very wondrous things that lay ahead. Our feeble minds however, are unable to comprehend the glory we've been promised. For some sweet day CHRIST himself will return upon the same cloud as the Galileans saw him leave on (Acts 1:11) and call all his children home to receive their inheritance (I Thes. 4:16, 17).

During this time I have also experienced my greatest sadness and worry. As Paul writes in the twelfth chapter to the churches at Corinth, rome, and others, we are all members of one body, fitly framed together. If one member of that body is suffering then the whole does also. I have seen in my short time that whenever murmurings,

jealousies, immoralities, or any other such act that is done that is contrary to the behavioral pattern which CHRIST set the examples of, it creates toils and strifes within this body. In this, the adversary is made glad and our Heavenly Father displeased. This causes great sadness and worry and like a very bad disease it spreads, causing the whole body to suffer. For this cause, precious brothers and sisters in CHRIST, I beseech you that we all strive together as JESUS himself instructed us, first loving the LORD our GOD with all our heart, soul, mind, body, spirit, and strength. Second, loving our neighbor as ourselves (Mark 12:29-31). In doing so and thinking first and foremost of CHRIST and the beautiful body (the church) that he shed his precious blood for, we will be following his two greatest commandments in which all other commendments lay, and we will be blessed to eat the fat of the land (Isa. 1:19). Let us all therefore, live as CHRIST-like as possible esteeming our brothers and sisters higher than ourselves.

Numerous scriptures teach us how we should behave ourselves as children of GOD. Let us search them out continuing to pray to the FATHER for understanding, wisdom, and patience to do exactly as they teach. It is my belief that in doing so we will be pleasing in the eyes of our FATHER, and my continuing prayer to him is that in whatever we do that we may do it to his glory, honor, and praise. In doing so I believe that our joy will be full, and we will continue to gather in love and rejoice in this common bond we all share, "HOPE OF THE RESUR-RECTION." For JESUS is the resurrection and the life and if we are children of the FATHER, of which I hope I am, then we can rest assured "that he knows them that are his" and he will come again to receive us home...

WRITTEN IN HOPE AND LOVE YOUR BROTHER IN CHRIST Elder David Jacobs 8/30/91

MESSENGERS REPRESENTING THE SISTER CHURCHES

LOUISA — Clifford Thacker, Irland Adkins, Joseph Slone, Ken Bud Slone and Bradley Worrix, Jr.

OLD POND — Clifford Hunt, Berlin Thacker and Mike Scott.

BIG CREEK — Delmer Williamson, Orville Deckins, Luther Smith, and Elmer Thacker and David Allen Thacker, Alt.

RACCOON — Monroe Justice, Clayton Preece, Bobby Coleman,

Dave Newsom and Rufous Goff, Alt.

PETER CREEK — Leo Coleman, Wade Ratliff, Earl Casey, Harrison Smith.

SULPHUR SPRING — Paul Smith, Luther Blackburn, Arthur May.

LITTLE HOPE — Bobby Blackburn, Virgil Smith, William Dotson, Frank Ball and John B. Ball, Alt.

GRAPEVINE — Noah Slone, Donald J. Justice, Bradley Coleman

and John Smith.

CALVARY — Lester Varney, Wayne Varney, Wallace Vipperman, and Glen Vipperman.

DRY FORK — Estill Vandyke, Howell Arms and Elmer Brown.

SAMARIA — Dennis Dotson, Larry Scott, Opie Hatfield, Leslie Hatfield and Michael Smith, Alt.

LITTLE UNION — Earnest Blair and Paul Varney.

FRIENDSHIP — Martin Childers.

COLUMBUS — Lundy Coleman, Lonnie Warrix and Bobby Kennedy.

DEERFIELD — Estill Hackney, Malloy Deel, Harold Blackburn and

Charles Blackburn.

PLEASANT HILL — Greg Moore and Jimmie Moore.

NEW HOPE — Kenney Chapman, Clarence Dotson, Dennis Chapman and Elbert Church.

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COMMUNION

July 2nd Saturday June 2nd Saturday

August 3rd Saturday July 4th Saturday August 1st Saturday

CHURCH	MODERATOR	COMMUNION
Peter Creek — Little Hope — Grapevine — Samaria —	Teddy R. Ball Robert Blackburn Kit Ratliff Teddy R. Ball & Mike Smith	June 4th Saturday July 1st Saturday July 3rd Saturday June 3rd Saturday
Johns Creek —	Teddy R. Ball & Paul Varney	July 2nd Saturday
Little Union — Calvary — Dry Fork —	Teddy R. Ball Kit Ratliff Teddy R. Ball & Elmer Brown	May 1st Saturday June 1st Saturday May 2nd Saturday
Friendship —	Elmer Thacker & David May	August 4th Saturday
Deerfield —	J. C. Hager & John Jacobs	June 4th Saturday
Columbus — Pleasant Hill — New Hope —	Lundy Coleman Woodruff Dulin Elbert Church & Walter Sullivan	April 4th Saturday April 3rd Saturday May 4th Saturday

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OBITUARIES

GAIL CAROLINE ANTHONY

It is in loving precious memory, and with much sadness, and an aching heart, that I will try to write the obituary of my precious mother. Words could never express the love we had for Mom, and the love she had for us. The love she had for the Lord, many dear friends, the church and church family. For all those she prayed for, and those who prayed for her.

Mom was born July 22, 1934 to D. Tyler Fogg and Caroline Willmott. A native of Woodbury, N.J., she was a resident of Turlock, CA, and a faithful member of the First Presbyterian Church of Richmond, CA. She departed this life June 26, 1991, making



her stay here on earth 56 years, eleven months and four days.

She is survived by her beloved husband, Robert Wayne Anthony, and was a faithful wife for 30 years, and her beloved children and grand-children, two sons, four daughters, fifteen grandchildren: Elizabeth Carolina Arevalo (Libby) of Turlock, CA, her children, Robbie, Quoia, Manders, Rosie, Angel, Danny and DJ; Walter Owen Stacey (Butch), wife Gail of Yreka, CA, their children, Chris, Scott, Tonja, Renee, Kathy, David Michael and Michael; James Michael Anthony (Jamie), wife Teresa Worrix of Pikeville, Ky., their children, Jamie and Sunshine; Roberta Ellen Anthony (Punkin) of Richmond, CA.

She is also survived by her mother, Caroline Willmott Booth of Highland Park, NJ; two sisters, Thrisha Booth of Highland Park, NJ, and Susan Booth of Philadelphia, PA; one brother, Mike Booth of Houston, TX. She will be deeply missed by us all, and her many, many dear friends, relatives and church family. I believe our loss was heaven's gain. If I could crown you, Mother, I'd crown you with a million stars. I'd place a robe around you, Mother, the finest robe, there's no doubt, but Jesus knows that your love for him was true. He'll place one on you, dear Mother, that will never wear out.

Jesus said, "I am the resurrection, and the life, he that believeth in me

though he were dead yet shall he live." Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy sting? O grave where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin - and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, for as much as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.

Mom loved the Lord, and loved his word, and loved all those around her. She fought a good fight, she finished her course, and she kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for her a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give her at that day and not to her only, but unto all them also that love his appearing. There is so much I could say about Mom, and what the Lord has said about them that are asleep. He knows our hearts and thoughts from afar.

It's on my mind from on high, and Mom would have wanted me to, she did! Thank God, the Lord Jesus Christ, for the many blessings. this minute of my life, and for all the years you gave Mom to live. You've been our head and stay, you have kept us every day. Just want to thank you God, thank you God. The Lord gave me strength and blessed me to see Mom one more time, to be with her the last three days of her life here. He gave me strength to speak his words over her, and to sing his praises. The one blessing that stands out is when I took her hand, kissed her cheek, and said: Your Jamie's here, and the smile she had, was ear to ear. Oh! How I love and miss you, Mom, sleep and take your rest. By God's tender love and mercy, and his grace, I hope to meet you in the morning. Special thanks from Mom, myself and the family. To all our brothers and sisters in the Lord, for all the prayers, the help and friendship you have shown. My friends, neighbors and family from all over this country. U.S.N. Oh! How Mom loved her Kentucky home and family. You all made her feel at home, and loved. She loved you, your ways, and the unity in the Lord's spirit here. With all that the love, the Lord's given me, to love you with. The family and I thank you. May God keep and bless you is my prayer.

> Written by her son, Jim Jamie Jimbo I Love You, Mom

Mark 3:35; Gen. 2:7, 2:22; Proverbs 31:10,11,12; 31:26-28; Psalms 34:18, 116:15; Samuel II 12:22,23; Rev. 14:13; Isaiah 43:5,6; Tim. II 4:6; John 20: 27-29; Job 19:25-27; Corinthian I 15:35, 15:42; Job 14:1-15; Thessalonian I 4:13.

IDA E. MAY GOFF

Ida Goff of Raccoon, Kentucky, departed this life on October 26, 1990. She was born in Pike County, the daughter of the late James Epperson May and Roxie Smith May. Ida was born February 17, 1919, making her stay here on this earth seventy-one years, eight months, and nine days.

Ida was a homemaker and a member of the Raccoon Primitive Baptist Church. She was baptized May 26, 1963.

She is survived by her husband, Cecil Goff of Raccoon, Ky. She is also survived by five brothers: Victor May of Pikeville, Ky.; Leonard May of Shelbiana, Ky.; George May of Shelbiana, Ky.; Velma (Jay) May of Elkhorn City,



Ky., and Roger May of Cleveland, Ohio; four sisters: Lennie Justice of Canada, Ky.; Ellen P. Thacker of Spencer, Tn.; Ruby Coleman of Fairborn, Ohio, and Loretta Hall of Elyria, Ohio. She was preceded in death by three brothers: Deward May, Virgle May, and Reford May; one sister: Maudie Chaney. Also surviving her are a host of nieces and nephews, as well as a host of other relatives and friends who will sadly miss her.

Ida's funeral was Monday, October 29, 1990 at 11:00 a.m. at the Johns Creek Funeral Home, Meta, Ky. Officiating ministers were Robert Worrix, Monroe Justice, and Paul Dean Justice. The final resting place is the Collins Cemetery on Frozen Creek at Raccoon, Ky.

Ida was a faithful member of the church as long as she was able, she is greatly missed by the church and all of those who knew her. Ida, sleep on until Jesus comes back again. We hope to meet you in the air.

We often sit and think of her when we are all alone, For memory is the only friend that grief can call its own. Like ivy on the withered oak, when all other things decay, Our love for her will still keep green and never fade away.

Written by: Monroe Justice

GLADYS M. COLEMAN



Gladys M. Coleman, 87, of Woodcrest Addition, Princeton, died Saturday at her home.

Born at Ransom, Ky., she was the daughter of the late James E. and Lear Hatfield Dodson. She was a resident of Princeton since 1977 and a member of the Primitive Baptist Church. She was preceded in death by her husband, Anthony Coleman; sons, James Marvin Coleman; two granddaughters.

Survivors: daughters: Marie Farley of Princeton, Lucille Morris of Naples, Fla., Ernestine Maynard of Silver Springs, Fla., Maxine Coleman of Pikeville, Ky., Jean Riddle of Elyria, Ohio and Helen Stollings of Marietta,

Ga.; son, Dock Coleman of Ewing, Ky.; sister, Katherine Casey of Daton, Ohio; 27 grandchildren and 51 great-grandchildren.

The funeral will be held at Roger's Funeral Home in Belfry, Ky., with the Rev. Don Hatfield officiating. Burial will be at Julius Scott Cemetery in Belfry.

The Family

DIXIE COLLINS

With very much sadness that we write the obituary of our mother and grandmother, Dixie Collins. passed away November 30, 1990, in the Methodist Hospital. She was born March 6, 1905. She was the daughter of the late Greenville A. Collins and Lizia Goff Collins. Dixie was blessed to stay on this earth 85 years, 8 months, 3 weeks, and 4 days. She joined the Louisa Primitive Baptist Church on Rocky Road October 9, 1977. She attended it when she was able. Dixie was blessed with one son, Ireland Adkins of Raccoon, Ky.; two daughters, Bessie Maria Dennis of



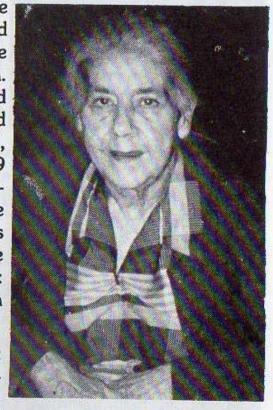
Pikeville, Ky., and Lurlie Teztloff of Grand Rapid, Michigan. She left to mourn her loss a son and daughter-in-law, two daughters, sixteen grandchildren, thirty-one great-grandchildren, six great-great-grandchildren. She also left behind two brothers, Radolph Collins and Willard Collins, two sisters, Elsie Collins Coleman and Minnie Collins Thacker. She will be sadly missed by her loved ones, but not forgotten.

Written by her Son and Daughter-in-law and Grandchildren

VICY DALES THACKER

With a very sad heart, I will write the obituary of a very beloved friend and neighbor, Vicy Dales Thacker. She was born in Dickenson County, Va. on July 15, 1922, to the late Rubin and Jimmie Deskins Dales. She passed away from this life on April 18, 1991, making her stay on earth 68 years, 9 months and 3 days. Vicy was a homemaker and she was of the Primitive Baptist faith. In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by three sisters and one brother; one daughter: Juanita Harmon, granddaughter: Lisa Ann Griggs.

She is survived by her husband: Jewette Thacker of Red Creek, Pikeville, Ky.; six sons, Jewette R. Thacker,



Phillip P. Thacker, Eddie D. Thacker, and Richard D. Thacker, all of Red Creek, Pikeville, Ky.; Jack Thacker of Nashville, Tn.; Leon Thacker of Austin, Tx.; four daughters: Ruby Jean Thacker, Lorell Thacker, and Pauline Huffman, all of Red Creek, Pikeville, Ky., and Teresa Griggs of Olympia, Ky.; one sister: Maude Reynolds of Grapevine, Ky.; eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services were held Sunday, April 21, 1991, in the Justice Funeral Home Chapel with Noah Slone, Robert Worrix and others officiating. Burial was in the family cemetery at Red Creek. I know Vicy is missed very much by her family and friends. She was a very special person and her memory will always be with them. Sleep on, Vicy. I believe our loss

is heaven's gain. May God bless and comfort the family in all our prayers.

Written by her friend, Sharon K. Slone

DICY BALL

April 4, 1991

It is with a deeply sad aching heart and feeling, that I will try and write the obituary of our dearly beloved mother, Dicy Ball, who God called home for a better life after death. She passed away at the Appalachian Regional Hospital of South Williamson, Kentucky following a lingering illness. She was born on December 4, 1907 at Buchanan County, Virginia, making her stay on earth 83 years, 11 months, and 24 days. She was preceded in death by her husband, Martin Ball, and several brothers and sister. Funeral services were held at the Rogers Funeral Home of Belfry, Kentucky on November 27, 1990. Services were conducted by Elder Don Hatfield, Elder Mike Smith and Elder Teddy Ball.



She joined the Primitive Baptist Church at McAndrews, Kentucky in July of 1943. She was baptized by the late Elder Jeff Staton and Elder Ben Chapman. She was a true servant to the church and filled her seat as long as she was able. She believed in the all mighty Grace and Hope, and that she would arise again on the resurrection day.

In our hearts we know that you are asleep in Jesus Christ just waiting for the coming of your Savior; where there will be no more suffering, heartaches and pain. She left behind nine children to mourn her loss: Berlin Ball, Robena Epling, Josephine Mounts, Hassel Ball and Claude Ball all of Pinsonfork, Ky.; Sophia D'amico of Warren, Ohio; Roberta Sparks of Columbus, Ohio; Martin Ball of Redford, Michigan, and Betty Jean Williamson of McAndrews, Kentucky. Also, 30 grandchildren and 33 great-grandchildren. We feel that our loss of our dear sweet Mother is Heaven's gain.

Written by your Sister in Hope, Daughter, Josephine Mounts

VERNA CHAPMAN

In loving memory of Verna Chapman who passed away October 13, 1990.

We thank thee, dear Lord, for the time that we shared. For the time she was needed, and the times she was there. Sometimes we were happy, sometimes we were sad. But we thank the Lord for the time we had. We miss her, dear Lord, but her memory we hold, how she talked on the Bible, about the City of Gold. We love you, Mother, with all of our heart, and your memory stays with us, from daylight til dark.

Sadly missed by Her daughters, Sharon and children and grandchildren



LYDIA SMITH



It is with a sad heart that I attempt to write the obituary of our mother, Lydia Smith, who passed away March 8, 1991, at the Williamson Memorial Hospital, Williamson, W. Va. She was born June 4th, 1909 at Ransom, Ky. She was the daughter of the late Landon and Annie Hatfield. In addition to her parents she was preceded in death by her husband, Clayton Smith who passed away May 29th, 1983. She was also preceded in death by one daughter, two brothers and one sister, one granddaughter and great-grandson.

Dad and Mom were united in marriage January 15, 1930. To this union six children were born: Lassie Jean, Hazel Jane, Daryl Marie, Landon, Ballard and Clayton, Jr.; one step-daughter, Sally Smith.

Mom was a homemaker and a member of the Primitive Baptist Church for forty-one years. Mom was a very humble person and loved her children very much. We miss her very much and will never forget her.

Oh, Mom, how I miss you, though the world will never know. But I thank God for the memories you left me here below.

> Written by her daughter, Lassie Jean

MONA BALL

It is with a sad and heavy heart and precious memories we will try to write the obituary of our precious mother, Mona Ball.

She was born November 1, 1905 in Pike County, Ky. and departed August 15, 1991 at Humana Hospital Southwest in Valley Station, Ky., making her stay here on earth 85 years, eight months and 20 days. She was the daughter of the late Thomas J. and Elizabeth (Betty) Chapman of Mc-Andrews, Ky.

She had made her home with her daughter and son-in-law, Lois Ann and George L. Ball, for the past several years. Mother was preceded in death by her parents, her husband A. J.



(Bud) Ball, three children, Lurla Russell, Betty L. Gibson and W. E. (Sonny) Ball, all of Louisville, Ky. She leaves to survive her four daughters, Eiland Crumpley of Dallas, Tx.; Lois Ann Ball of Louisville, Ky.; Mildred Hatfield, McAndrews, Ky., and Almoia Chapman of Zanesville, Ohio; two brothers, Fred Chapman, Heath, Ohio; Jonal Chapman, Canon, Ga.; Bertha Schmitt and Della Vance of Tampa, Fla; Ruth Allen of Detroit, Mi., and Sarah Dotson of Phelps, Ky.; 16 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews, and a host of good friends.

She was a member of the Old Pond Primitive Baptist Church for many years. Funeral services were held at Rogers Funeral Home, Belfry, Ky., Monday, August 19, 1991, at 11:00 A.M. with Elders Don Hatfield and Mike Smith. Burial followed in Coeburn Pt. Cemetery, Huddy, Ky.

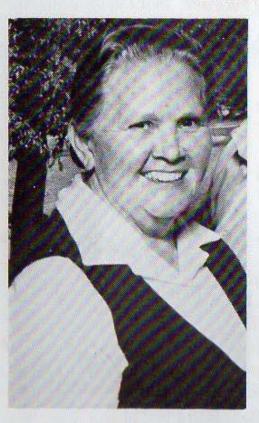
Mother, we shall forever miss your sweet smile and love, but pray to be united with you some day.

We feel our loss is Heaven's gain.

Written with loving memories.

Your loving daughters, Lois Ann Ball Eiland Crumpley

BESSIE STANLEY



In much weakness and by the Grace of God and the sadness of heart that I attempt to write the obituary of my dear wife, Bessie Stanley. She passed away at St. Joseph Hospital of Lexington, Kentucky on Monday at 4:15 p.m. She was born April 21, 1923 and departed this life October 8, 1990, making her stay on this earth 67 years, five months and eight days.

We all feel that she is asleep in Jesus and he called her home because she was one of his flowers in his garden here on earth. She loved to go to church. She couldn't wait to get started for she loved to sing and hear the Brothers when they were blessed. She would rejoice in hearing them and

the church will miss her and she was loved by all her friends and by all that knew her.

She was always sharing, giving and devoted to her children and grandchildren. She always looked forward to seeing them all at home. She was blessed to have her husband and family with her standing by her bedside when God called her home.

We will always remember her loving smiles and tender touch as long as we live. We hope to meet her some sweet day in that eternal rest.

Written by her husband, Quincey Stanley & The Family

DAISY (PATTERSON) SLONE

It is with much sadness as I try to write this obituary of my beloved wife, Daisy (Patterson) Slone.

She was born February 3, 1927 at Burnwell, Ky. and departed this life on Sunday, March 24, 1991, in Pikeville Methodist Hospital, making her stay here 64 years, one month, and 21 days. She was a member of the Louisa Primitive Baptist Church. She was retired with Mountain Manor Nursing Home.

She was the daughter of the late Wayne and Alice (Marcum) Patterson, who preceded her in death.

We were married on December 28, 1945, and were blessed with six children.

She is preceded in death by her parents, two brothers and two sisters.



She is survived by four sons: Wayne P. Slone and Kelly Slone, both of Auburn Hills, Michigan, James L. Slone, Pikeville, Ky. and Michael D. Slone, Zebulon, Ky., and two daughters: Josephine Hunt, Germantown, N.C. and Nina Smith, Zebulon, Ky.; two brothers: Paul Patterson, Columbus, Ohio, and Kenneth Patterson, Burnwell, Ky.; two sisters: Ethel Norman, Huntington, W. Va. and Francis Blackburn, Florida, and nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

We cherish her memories, and oh, how we miss her.

Gone is the face we loved so dear, silent is the voice we loved to hear;

Too far away for sight or speech, but not far for thoughts to reach.

Sleep on. no more suffering and no more pain,

Your love and memories with us will remain.

We feel that our loss is Heaven's gain and that by the Grace of God we will meet again. Sleep on and take that peaceful rest.

Written by her loving husband, Joseph Slone

ELIZABETH (LIZZIE) BILLITER

It is with a sad heart I will try to write the obituary of my dear Mother, Elizabeth (Lizzie) Billiter.

She was born March 11, 1902 and passed away on April 1, 1991 in the Pikeville Methodist Hospital, making her stay here on earth 89 years and 20 days. She was the daughter of Elijah and Caroline (Brown) May, who preceded her in death. She was also preceded in death by two husbands, Willie (Bill) Smith and James (Jim) Billiter, one son and two daughters, several step-chidlren, brothers and sisters.

She had been a member of the Primitive Baptist Church since 1973, being baptized by the Elders Opie and



Elmer Thacker. She was a faithful member and attended as long as she was able to go. She leaves two sons, Joe E. and Bobby Ray Billiter, and three daughters, Aliene S. Billiter, Margaret Ann Thacker and Bonnie Jean Smith, and two step-daughters, Ethel Pinson and Myrtle Kuthy; one sister, Pricy Varney, 14 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandson and a host of loved ones and friends to mourn her loss. I feel like she is in a better home and I live in hope we can all meet again someday. I believe our loss is heaven's gain. Sadly missed by all the children.

Written by her daughter, Aliene S. Billiter

RALPH DOUGLAS VARNEY

It is with much sadness that I will try and write the obituary of my dear husband. Doug was born December 5, 1957 and departed this life December 31, 1990, making his stay on earth 33 years and 26 days. He married on October 29, 1977 Vanita Lynn Collins. He was the son of Sid and Marie Varney. He is survived by his wife, Vanita Lynn Varney; one son, Michael Douglas Varney, age 11; one daughter, Robin Lynn Varney, age 10. He's also survived by seven sisters: Linda Hess, Shirley Hess, Sandy Leedy, Lillie Turnmire, Pam Varney, Jenny Parks, Grace (Sissy) Varney; one brother, Richard Varney.

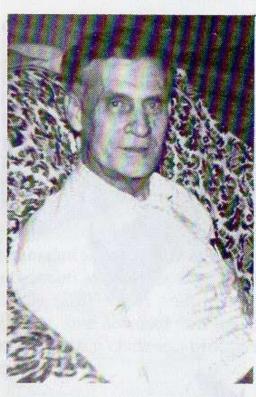


He never united with any organization, but I feel he belongs to God's Church. He was of the Primitive Baptist faith. He was a coal miner for about 15 years and was a victim of a coal-mining accident. Though I never got to say good-bye to Doug I thank God for not letting him suffer any pain. The lonely hours are so hard to bear, but the Lord can carry us through. It will never be the same around our home now, but I hope to meet Doug in a better place someday. To know Doug is to love him. I loved him very much, words can't express how much he is missed by everyone who knew him. If he could have opened his eyes up long enough to see how many friends and family really loved him, he wouldn't believe it. Doug was called to add a spot of beauty, a needed flower in the Heavenly Garden, a blossom that will grow in greater beauty there. By the grace of God we live in hope that we will meet again in that glory world, where all God's children will live and never die again. Our loss is Heaven's gain.

Do not stand by my grave and cry, I am not there . . . I did not die, only resting in a peaceful sleep.

Written by: His wife, Vanita Varney

LORA COLEMAN



It is with many precious memories we write this obituary of our father, Lora Coleman.

He was the son of the late Ulysses Grant and Polly Coleman, born in Pikeville, Ky. on August 11, 1920; died on July 25, 1991 at O'Bleness Hospital.

He was married to Elsie (Collins) Coleman for 52 years.

He worked hard in the mines for over 20 years, Austin Powder for 23 years, to provide for his loving family.

He attended the Primitive Baptist Church. He had a faithful love for his church and God.

He is survived by his wife, Elsie; four sons and daughters-in-law: Calvin and Martha, Paul and Susie, Tony and

Brenda, all of McArthur; Jake and Connie of Loveland; six daughters and sons-in-law, Ethel and Jack Gussler Dundas, Betty Coleman, Columbus, Deloris and Barry Rudolph, Pickerington; Jennifer and Bill Malone, Radcliff, Jettie and Danny Robinson, South Carolina; Mary and William White, McArthur; two brothers, Henry, McArthur; George of Jenkins Nursing Home, Wellston; two sisters, Isabelle Thacker of McArthur, Eveline Hall, Pikeville, Ky.; 36 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one son, Bernis; three brothers, Jessie, Ulysses and David; one sister, Hettie Worrix.

He will be sadly missed by his family but hopefully we can see him again in heaven some day.

Daddy, sleep in Jesus' care
Where no pain or sorrow can interfere.
Jesus has gently taken you home,
You're with Jesus now, you're not alone.

You were a Daddy so kind and true, There was no Daddy sweeter than you. God called you away and left us alone, He needed you, Daddy, to brighten his throne. God gave us the strength to face it, The courage to meet the blow. But what it meant to lose you No one will ever know.

If the world was ours to give We'd give it all and more, Just to see the face we loved so dear Come smiling through the door.

> We Love You. Your wife and children

GRANT ORVILLE MORRIS

It is with a sad and lonely heart that I attempt to write the obituary of my late husband, Orville "Red" Morris. Orville passed away Tuesday, September 11, 1990 at the Appalachian Regional Hospital in South Williamson, Ky. He was born May 9, 1914. He was the son of Floyd and Nancy Jane (Stafford) Morris.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his first wife, Melda H. Morris; a brother, Cletus Morris, and a son, William G. Morris.

He became a member of the Primitive Baptist Church July 1st, 1990. He retired as a coal miner in 1973 from Carbon Industries. He also served as a conservation officer and as a Deputy Sheriff in Pike County.



Surviving are wife, Ethel Morris of McCarr, Ky.; son, Paul Morris, Somerset, Ky.; daughters, Polly M. Breeze, Louisville, Ky.; and Marlene M. Adams, Floyds Knobs, Ind.; step-daughters, Janet H. Blair, Lexington, Ky., and step-son, Billy B. Hager of Ranson, Ky.; eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

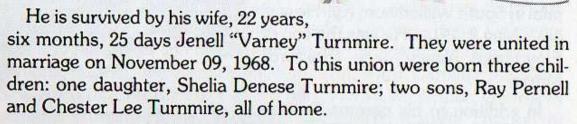
Written by your loving wife who misses you very much.

Ethel Morris

RAY TURNMIRE

With broken hearts and tear-filled eyes, we will try and write this obituary of our precious dad and loving husband, Ray Turnmire. He was born on April 08, 1946, to the late Robie C. and Maxie (Chapman) Turnmire. He died June 03, 1991, making his stay on earth 45 years, one month and 26 days. He was laid to rest at the Varnney's Branch Cemetery at Kimper, Ky. on June 07, 1991. He was a coal miner employed at McCoy Elkhorn Coal Corp. and was of the Primitive Baptist faith.

In addition to Ray's parents he was preceded in death by one brother, Rosevelt Turnmire.



He is also survived by three sisters: Mae Justice of Phyllis, Ky.; Sue Hackney and Edith Hackney, both of Michigan; seven brothers: Walter Turnmire of Prestonburg, Ky.; James Turnmire of Phyllis, Ky.; Lee, Kenneth, David, Gene, Adala Turnmire's, all of Kimper, Ky.

Also included among Ray's survivors is a host of other relatives and scores of friends who will regretfully mourn his passing. The memory of Ray Turnmire will always remain in the hearts and minds of each and everyone that knew him.

Our dad worked hard to give us kids what we needed and everything we wanted. He was a caring and loving man, not just to his family, but to everyone he was in contact with. He loved each and everyone of his kids dearly and they always came first in his heart. Dad's love for Mom was very special also. It's a special love that only a husband and wife can share. Sweet Jesus had mercy upon him. We know he is asleep in Jesus and will awaken one morning. The only hope and prayer we can have is to be with Daddy someday in heaven. Rest on, Daddy. We love you, and by grace of God we will all be with you one day.

GOD'S FLOWER GARDEN

It's hard to lose the one we love, to see them pass away. The sweetest and kindest gone, while others are left to stay. But if we had a garden, with roses fair and bright, we'd often pick the loveliest, and think it to be right. And so it is with Jesus, in his heavenly garden here, he often picks the fairest flower, the ones we love so dear. The flowers that are picked by him will never fade away. We know they'll live forever, and will see them some sweet day.

He is sadly missed by all of those who knew him.

Written by his wife, Jenell "Varney" Turnmire and Children

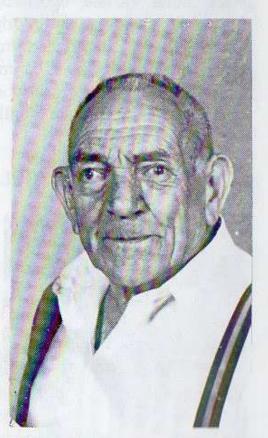
WAYNE BEVINS

With much sadness in our hearts we will try to write the obituary of our loving father, Wayne Bevins of Sidney, Ky.

He was born the 30th day of May, 1908 at Millard, Ky., and departed this life 14th day of May, 1991, making his stay on earth 82 years, 11 months and 15 days.

Daddy joined the Primitive Baptist Church May 10, 1981 and he went to church when he could.

He was the son of Lonnie and Minnie Jackson Bevins. He was one of twelve children. He was married to Goldie Justice Bevins, who preceded him in death June 10, 1986, who also belonged to the Primitive Baptist. To this union was been two shildren



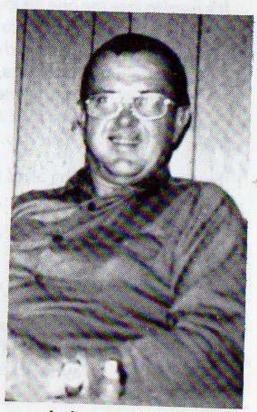
this union was born two children. He is also survived by five grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Father, we miss you very much but we feel our loss is heaven's gain.

Written by his daughters
Pauline Hatfield and Elegene Griffith

LEURA VARNEY

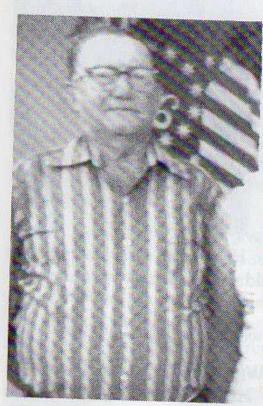
In loving memory of my husband, Leura Varney. He died July 11, 1990, at Cabel-Huntington Hospital as a result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident. He was born December 16, 1926, to the late Cleveland Varney and Mary Honaker. He was a retired coal miner having worked for Kentland-Elkhorn Coal Corporation, was a World War II Army veteran, and was a life member of Disabled American Veterans Chapter #134. He is survived by his wife, Alice Slone Varney, two daughters, Levonnie Childers and Judy Ann Chapman, two grandchildren, Greg Childers and Melany Chapman, 15 brothers and five sisters all who loved



him dearly and miss him greatly. Sleep, my darling, till Jesus comes.

Written by Alice Varney

T BLACKBURN



T Blackburn, 87, of Canada, Ky., died Sunday, June 30, 1991, at his home.

Born October 10, 1903, at Canada, he was preceded in death by his parents, William and Jenny Blackburn; four brothers and two sisters.

He was a retired coal miner.

Survivors: his wife, Mary Elizabeth (Murphy) Blackburn; son, Douglas F. Blackburn, Canada; daughter, Delores May, Sidney, Ky.; sister, Fannie West, Canada.

Funeral: Rogers Funeral Home, Belfry, Ky., Tuesday, July 2, 1991, at 1:30 p.m. with Elders Elmer Thacker and Don Hatfield officiating.

Burial: Mountain View Memory

Gardens, Huddy, Ky.

Pallbearers: Fonso Bogar, Paul Gregory, Mike Baisden, J. T. Rafferty, Lloyd Grossel, Frankie Scalf.

Visitation: Anytime today at the funeral home with special services tonight at 7 p.m.

SAMUEL RAY HURLEY

In Loving Memories of Samuel Ray Hurley. It is with much sadness and grief that I try to write the obituary of my beloved husband, Samuel Ray Hurley. He was born November 2, 1926, and Jesus called him home December 8, 1990, making his stay here on earth 64 years, one month and six days. He was the son of the late Isaac and Jane Hurley. He was married to Jewell Coleman on January 1, 1950, and to this union was born three children, Debrak Kay Hurley, Danna Guy Hurley and Faith Calleen Hurley who preceded him in death. He later married Betty Jackson Hurley, and to this union was born two children: one son, Richard Hurley of Hurley, Va.,



and one daughter, Coralyn Courcy, of Roanoke, Va.

He was preceded in death by his three children, his father and mother, and one brother and two sisters. He is survived by his wife, Betty Hurley; one son, Richard Hurley of Hurley, Va.; one daughter, Coralyn Courcy of Roanoke, Va.; three brothers, Waymond Hurley, Johnie May, and Henry Hurley, all of Hurley, Va., and two sisters, Marry Ellen Lane of Hurley, Va., and Delpha Cathern of Roanoke, Va. He also left many friends and loved ones to mourn his passing and a lot of friends. To know him was to love him. We had two beautiful children together, Richard and Coralyn. He loved his children so much. He had two granddaughters. He was so proud of them, Andra and Chosity. They loved their Grandpow so much. Their little faces would light up when Grandpow spoke to them. I loved him so much. He had one

grandson he loved so much. The hardest thing I ever did in my life was to look upon his sweet face for the last time here on earth. But we will meet again in heaven some day. He joined the Kelsa Chapel Freewill Baptist Church sometime ago and was a faithful member till death. The church has lost a wonderful member and the neighborhood a wonderful friend.

He was so sick here on earth but thank God he is at rest now, where there is no sickness or pain. My home is so lonely now since his sweet face is not around. I miss him more and more every day. He was a loving husband and father. We all loved him so much and he knew it. He was so precious to us all. We were blessed to go to church together and to thank God for what He had done for us. I am so sad and lonely without him; but I feel he is happy up there with God where he will never be sick again. My love is with Jesus now, happy and free. I know he is looking down waiting for me. Someday I'll be going home when this life is over and there we will be together to separate no more. Sleep on, my darling; we know we will meet again and to be parted never more.

Samuel was a disabled veteran of the World War Two. He is sadly missed by several friends and relatives. I know that Samuel is in a place much better than here on earth. We are all left in this world to mourn the loss of a good brother whom we loved dearly. Samuel was a man who could be classed as the typical "Good Samaritan." He was an honest man who took pride in being a good provider for his family, in keeping himself clean. He was a reverent person who acknowledged that God was in charge and that he was the source of all his blessings. In the dark hours of the night when everyone is fast asleep you sat by my side and talked to me and showed me sweet visions of your faith, of your loving saving grace. And that's why I want to thank you, God. When my time comes to die and my friends are standing by, please, oh Lord, let me peacefully slip away. I know you're coming back someday to take your children home to stay and that's why I want to thank you God. This world is so lonesome since we lost our loving husband and father. We will always wander back and remember all the love, kindness, and laughter that we all shared. We loved them so very, very much. Words cannot express how much we miss him. Our loss is heaven's gain.

> Written by his wife Betty Hurley and Family

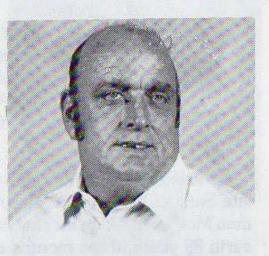
EDWARD RAY SMITH

Today, with an emptiness in my heart that only the love of Jesus can fill, I will attempt to write the obituary of my daddy, Edward Ray Smith.

Daddy was always there whenever I needed him for anything and not only for me, but for any of his family and friends. They all knew they could come to him.

He was a dedicated member of the Primitive Baptist Church for 26 years. He loved the church and members with all his heart. He was always there to serve them in anyway possible.

He was also a retired coal miner from Kentland Elkhorn Coal Co. where he worked for 24 years, supporting his family.



He was born the 18th day of December, 1931. He passed away on March 26th, 1991, making his stay here with us 60 years, three months and 26 days.

He was the son of Richard D. Smith and Daisy (Danley) Smith of Peter Creek, Ky., who preceded him in death. Also preceding him in death are two brothers and one sister. He also has three infant sons preceding him in death.

He has surviving him his wife, Magaline Smith; two daughters, Vickie G. Wolford and Sara D. Smith, and one son, Ersel Alan Smith. He also has five grandchildren (Chandra, Brent, Audrea, Sarah, and Meghan), who love and miss their Pa-paw more than words can say.

We miss you, Daddy!

Written by his daughter who loved him very much, Vickie Gail Wolford

GEORGE M. McCOY

It is with a very sad heart that we try to write the obituary of our beloved father, George M. McCoy of Raccoon, Ky. Dad passed from this life August 11, 1991 at 3:15 P.M. at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital.

He was born April 24, 1902 to the late Samuel McCoy and Mary Coleman McCoy, making his stay here on earth 89 years, three months and 18 days. He was a retired coal miner. Dad was a member and a deacon of the Raccoon Primitive Baptist Church for many years.

Dad was preceded in death by his wife, Sarah Slone. To this union were born two sons, Samuel (Bud) McCoy of Walkerton, Ind., and Fred McCoy



of Chillicothe, Ohio. He later married Gusta Coleman, who also preceded him in death. To this union were born five children: one son, Robert McCoy of Taylor, Mich.; four daughters, Zelphie McCoy, who died as an infant; Hester Anderson of Raccoon, Ky.; America Fordham of Lawrenceville, Ga., and Pauline Brant of Clyde, N.Y. Dad is also survived by two brothers, Orville McCoy of Raccoon, Ky. and Carson McCoy of Pikeville, Ky.; two sisters, Rosie Slone of Elkhorn, Ky., and Elsie Raines of Pikeville, Ky., and 29 grandchildren, 46 great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held August 14 at the Raccoon Primitive Baptist Church with Elders Paul D. Justice, David Coleman Jr., and Robert Worrix officiating. Burial followed in the Goff Cemetery at Raccoon. Arrangements were under the direction of the Johns Creek Funeral Home.

Dad is now resting in peace until the Lord comes for him, for we trust our loss is Heaven's gain. So, we say, sleep on, Dad, until that Great Day.

Written by his broken-hearted children

LINTON "DUTCH" BLACKBURN

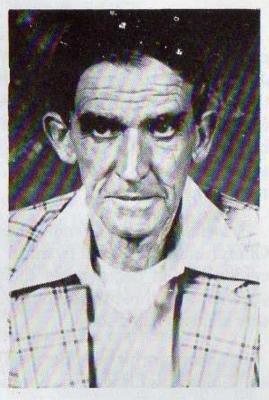
With loving memories I will try to write the obituary of my beloved husband, Linton "Dutch" Blackburn.

He was born January 20, 1925 at Lookout, Ky., and departed this life on September 19, 1990, making his stay on earth 65 years and eight months. He was a member of the Louisa Primitive Baptist Church. He was a retired coal miner.

He was the son of the late Henry Harrison and Stella (Adkins) Blackburn, who preceded him in death.

We were married on June 29, 1961 and were blessed with three children.

He is preceded in death by his parents, one son, one brother and five sisters.



He is survived by three daughters, Kathy Ann Bevins, Powells Creek, Pikeville, Ky.; Linette Hopkins, Greasy Creek, Shelbiana, Ky. and Lana Renea Land, Long Fork of Virgie, Virgie, Ky.; two sons, Roy Wayne Blackburn, St. Petersburg, Fla., and Ruey Blackburn, Tennessee; three brothers, Ellis Blackburn, Mobile, Ala.; Willard "Tige" Blackburn and Leo Blackburn, both of Lookout, Ky., and one sister, JoAnn Damron, Lookout, Ky., and 12 grandchildren.

He is sadly missed by all who knew him and loved him. He has gone from our home, but not from our hearts. Someday by the grace of God we will meet and never to part. No one knows the silent heartaches, only those who lost can tell of our grief borne in silence, for the one we loved so well. Since you have gone first and I remain, one thing I have to do, walk slowly down that lonely path, for soon I will follow you. I want to know each step you take, so I may walk the same, someday down that lonely road, "Darling," you will hear me call your name.

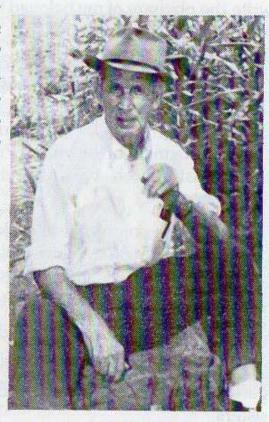
Written by his wife, Cesterine Blackburn Slone with a lot of love

GEORGE JEFFERSON COLEMAN

George Jefferson Coleman of Raccoon, Kentucky, departed this life January 4, 1991. Born in Pike County the son of the late David Coleman and Mary Thacker Coleman, George was born October 30, 1902, making his stay here on this earth 88 years, two months and four days.

A member of the Primitive Baptist Church and a merchant by trade. Preceding him in death other than his parents were three brothers, two sisters and two half-sisters.

Survivors are his wife: Bertha Thacker Coleman of Raccoon, Kentucky; one son: Jack Coleman of Raccoon, Kentucky; five grandchildren: Michael Coleman of Raccoon, Kentucky;



Judith Coleman of Raccoon, Kentucky; Jeffery Coleman of Raccoon, Kentucky; Susie Blackburn of Raccoon, Kentucky, and Shelia Justice of Raccoon, Kentucky.

Also surviving are five great-grandchildren as well as a host of other relatives and friends.

Submitted by: wife and son

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR JUSTICE



Douglas MacArthur Justice, born March 9, 1943; departed this life on December 17, 1990. He was the son of Albert C. and Martha Justice, married on September 28, 1963 to Patty Runyon.

Doug expressed a strong belief in the Primitive Baptist Church all his adult life, and was united to the church by baptism at the Louisa Church at Millard on April 12, 1987. I believe his happiest days on earth he enjoyed in fellowship with his church.

Doug's favorite songs were "Beulah Land" and "Glory Land." And in his work as a carpenter he was often heard to sing these songs from a rooftop or a basement.

His favorite books of the Bible were Proverbs and Job; Proverbs he considered to be "Instruction to our behavior with others."

Doug leaves a son, Douglas Justice II, and a daughter, Melissa Renae Parsons, and one granddaughter, Meghan Blayne Parsons; his wife, Patty, and mother, Martha Justice; five sisters and one brother.

All of us believe in our hearts that our loved one is asleep in Jesus and our hope that we will see him and be with him one day.

Written by: Patty Sue Runyon-Justice 370 Biggs Br. Rd., Pikeville, Ky. 41501

CONSTITUTION

1. This Association shall be called the Original Mates Creek

District Primitive Baptist Association.

2. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our union and duly sent to represent them in the Association, who shall be members whom they judge best qualified for that purpose, and producing letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to seats.

3. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed their membership in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed by letter, excluded and deceased since the last Association.

- 4. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage nor shall they have any clerical powers over the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the internal rights of any church in this union.
- 5. The Association when convened, shall be governed by a regular and proper decorum.

6. The Association shall have a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk, Assistant Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrage of the

messengers present, and that by secret ballot.

- 7. Newly constituted churches may be admitted into the union who shall petition by letter and messenger, and (if found upon examination to be orthodox and orderly), shall be received by the Association, and manifested by the Moderator giving the right hand of fellowship.
- 8. Every church in the union shall be entitled to a representation in the Association.
- 9. Every query presented by any church to the Association, being first debated in their own church, shall be taken up by the Association.
- 10. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it shall be withdrawn by the member who made it.

11. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with Minutes of the Association, the best way and method for effecting that purpose shall be at the discretion of future Associations.

- 12. We think it absolutely necessary that we should have an Association fund for defraying the expenses of the same, for the raising and supporting of which we think it the duty of each church in the union to contribute such sums voluntarily as they think proper, and send it by the hands of their messengers to the Association, and those monies thus contributed by the churches and received by the Association shall be deposited in the hands of the Treasurer, who shall be accountable to the Association for all monies received by him, and pay out of the same according to the Association.
- 13. There shall be an Association book kept, wherein the proceedings of every Association shall be regularly recorded by the Sec-

retary chosen for that purpose, who shall receive compensation for his trouble.

14. The Minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association arises.

15. Amendments to this plan or form of government may be made at any time by majority of the union when they deem it necessary.

- 16. The Association shall have power: (1) To provide for the general union of the churches. (2) To preserve inviolably a chain of communication among the churches. (3) To give the churches necessary advice in matters of church difficulty. (4) To inquire into the cause why the churches fail to represent themselves at any time in the Association. (5) To appropriate those monies by the churches contributed for an Association fund to any purpose they may think proper. (6) To appoint any member or members by and with their consent to transact any business they may see necessary. (7) The Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in this union which shall violate the rules of this Association, or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion. (8) To admit any orderly minister of our faith and order to a seat in the Association. (9) The Association shall have power to adjourn themselves to any time or place they may think most convenient to the churches of the Association.
- 17. We welcome any and all orderly and peace loving Primitive Baptist to visit with us.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one true and living God, who is the Creator, upholder, and righteous disposer of all things; and that He is self-existent, independent, omnipotent and eternal.

2. We believe that Jesus existed in His mediatorial Person as the

head and life of His body, the church from everlasting.

3. We believe in the doctrine of eternal, personal and unconditional election; that the elect, or church, is and was and shall forever remain His body and fulness, and their spiritual life is hid with Christ in God.

4. We believe in the doctrine of total depravity of human nature and that recovery from that condition is wholly and exclusively by the sov-

ereign, free and unmerited grace of God.

5. We believe the atonemen made by Christ was full and complete and exclusively for the elect, or heirs of promise.

- 6. We believe the doctrine of God's predestination in every sense as the Bible teaches it.
- 7. We believe that all the elect vessels of mercy, chosen in Christ before the foundation of the world, shall be called, regenerated and sanctified by the regenerating power of God's grace, and shall ultimately enjoy heaven and immortal glory.
- 8. We believe that there will be a resurrection of the bodies, both of the just and the unjust, and the happiness of the righteous shall be eter-

nal and the punishment of the wicked shall be everlasting.

9. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ, and that true believers are the subjects, and the true

mode of baptism is immersion, foot washing as an example.

10. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as translated under the reign of King James, are a revelation from God, inspired by the Holy Ghost, and that the New Testament is the standard of faith and the only authorized rule of practice to the church of God under gospel dispensation. We therefore consider ourselves solemnly bound by our allegiance to the King of Zion to reject, disclaim and disfellowship all modern and ancient religious institutions or societies of which we have neither precept nor example in the New Testament.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. A Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrage of the messengers present.

3. Only one member shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his

seat and address the Moderator when he is about to speak.

4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted by any except

the Moderator until he is done speaking.

- 5. He shall strictly adhere to the subject and in no wise reflect on the person who spoke before so as to make remarks on his slips, failings and imperfections, but fairly state the case and matter as he can to convey his ideas.
- 6. No person shall rise and speak more than three times on one subject without liberty obtained from the Association.

7. No person shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the As-

sociation without liberty obtained from it.

- 8. No member of the Association shall have liberty of laughing during the sitting of the Association, nor whispering in time of public speech.
- 9. No member of the Association shall address another in any other term or appelation but the title of "Brother."
- 10. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member in a speech or prohibit him from speaking until he gives his light on the subject, except they break the Rules of Decorum.
- 11. Names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as many times as the Association may require.
- 12. The moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speech as another member, provided the chair be filled, and he shall have no vote except the Association be equally divided. In that event he shall give the casting vote.
- 13. Any member who shall wilfully or knowingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the Association as they think proper.

ORDINATION OF AN ELDER OR DEACON

(Work of Presbytery)

- 1st Organized by choosing Moderator and Clerk.
- 2nd Select one to question candidate.
- 3rd Select one to make prayer.
- 4th Select one to give charge.
- 5th Call for candidate from spokesman for church.
- 6th Examine candidate. Any one of Presbytery has right to ask questions if he desires.
- 7th If candidate is found satisfactory, then proceed with prayer and laying on of hands.
- 8th Charge is now delivered.
- 9th Candidate is now returned to the spokesman for the church as an ordained Elder or Deacon.
- 10th Minutes of proceeding read.
- 11th Adjourn.

ORIGINAL MATES CREEK REGULAR PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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