

***Minutes
of the
One Hundred Forty-Ninth
Annual Session
of the
Original Mates Creek District Regular
Primitive Baptist Association
Organized in 1849***

***Held with
Calvary Primitive Baptist Church
Kimper, Pike County, Kentucky
August 31st, September 1st and 2nd, 2001***

Next session convenes with the Columbus Primitive Baptist Church located at 599 Hilock Road, Columbus, Ohio, starting Friday before the first Sunday in September, 2002.

Directions to Columbus Church:

Travel North from the Junction of I-270 and U.S.-23, which is South High Street, just over one mile to the 5th stop light. Turn right on East Williams Road, and travel one-half mile to the first stop light. Turn left on Parsons Avenue, and travel about one-quarter mile to the first street on the right. Turn right on Hilock Road, and travel about one-quarter mile to Columbus Church on the right side of the street at 599 Hilock Road.

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PROCEEDINGS

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

FRIDAY MORNING, August 31, 2001

The Association was called to order by the Assistant Moderator. Prayer by Elder Steve Kender.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder Raymond Stanley. Text: "By the Grace of God, I am what I am."

Called for the letters from all churches. The letter from the Calvary Church was read. Moved and seconded that we accept the letters and have the names of messengers enrolled in the minutes. Moved and seconded that Elder Kenneth Chapman serve as Moderator Pro-Tem for the election of officers. Moved and seconded that Deacon Mike Scott serve as Clerk Pro-Tem for the election of officers.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: The Association elected the following to serve for the coming year:

ELDER	<u>RANDAL THORNSBURY</u>	MODERATOR
ELDER	<u>DAVID A. THACKER</u>	ASSISTANT MODERATOR
DEACON	<u>LESLIE HATFIELD</u>	CLERK
DEACON	<u>LONNIE SIMPKINS</u>	ASSISTANT CLERK

Newly constituted churches called for. NONE

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 were received and seated as follows:

SAND LICK: Frank Viers, Bob Arrington, Arnold Childress, Fayne Viers, Henry Viers, Roger Fuller, Joshua P. Viers.

BURNING SPRINGS: Jerry Brown, Donovan Finch, Leroy Gullett, Jimmy Mann.

ST. CLAIR DISTRICT: Larry Blevins, Blaine Owens.

LITTLE YADKIN RIVER: Vance Jones, Rodney Marshall, Elmer Edwards.

MT. ZION: None.

NEW LIBERTY: Hubert Sears, Bradley Nettles.

WASHINGTON: Danny Smith, George Ben Combs, Delford Ward,
Darrell Davis, Victor Church, Joe Hess.

UNION: Roy Adams, Corbin Hampton, Dallas Adams Jr.,
Jimmy Webb, Tommy Adams, Gary Adams.

FISHER'S RIVER: David Edwards.

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

SAND LICK: Buford Deel, Sidney T. Deel, Harold Fuller,
Jimmy W. Counts, Lou Ellen Cleming, Roxine Viers,
Toni Viers, Amber Viers, Trula Davis, Dianne Owens.

BURNING SPRINGS: Darrell Nickell, Louie Howard,
Roby Gullett, Eulice Adkins, Ella Mae Nickell,
Doris Gullett, Maxine Gullett, Peggy Howard,
Phyllis Mann.

LITTLE YADKIN RIVER: Hulda Jones, Ann Marshall.

ST. CLAIR DISTRICT: Curt Heath.

UNION: Jean Adams, Anetta Webb, Mary Stevans, Kayla Webb.

FISHER'S RIVER: Carleen Edwards.

MT. ZION OF ALABAMA: Victor Quick, Phillip Gilmore,
Paula, Rebekah, John and Grace Gilmore.

WASHINGTON: Joe Edwards, Peggy Griffith, Mattie Ward,
Virginia L. Davis; Lola M. Church.

BETHEL CHURCH: NONE.

MT. ENON ASSOCIATION OF FLORIDA: NONE.

NORTH FLORIDA FELLOWSHIP: Joe Brannen.

NEW HOPE, MOREHEAD, KY: Cephas Littleton, F.T. Littleton.

MIAMI PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH, DAYTON, OHIO:
Hesker Gillum.

LICKING RIVER PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH,
SAYLERSVILLE, KY: Ramey Montgomery.

BARREN COUNTY PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH:
Ronald B. Hatfield, Linda Hatfield.

SAND MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION OF ALABAMA:
Steve Presley, Brenda Presley.

Moved and seconded that the Moderator make all temporary

appointments.

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

- A. Friday Morning the Stand: Louie Howard and Aubrey McCormick.
- B. Friday Afternoon at the Stand: Coy Brothers, Larry Blevins, Franklin Viers and David Edwards.
- C. Friday Night at Peter Creek: Victor Quick, Jim Moore, J.C. Hager, Mike Smith and David Edwards.
- D. Friday Night at Old Pond: Paris Blackburn, Arnold Childress, Coy Brothers and Victor Church.
- E. Friday Night at Raccoon: Noah Slone, Carmen Gillum, Hesker Gillum, Lundy Coleman and Elmer Goff.
- F. Saturday Morning at the Stand: David Edwards, Rodney Marshall, Victor Quick and Hesker Gillum.
- G. Saturday Afternoon at the Stand: Arnold Childress, Victor Church and Phillip Gilmore.
- H. Saturday Night at Samaria: Joe Brannen, Jim Moore, J.C. Hager and Mike Smith.
- I. Saturday Night at Big Creek: David Edwards, Victor Church, Arnold Childress and Rodney Marshall.

Committee on Arrangements was appointed as follows:

Joseph Slone, Walter Rutherford, Lawrence Elswick, Monroe Justice, Randy Kender, Ron Moore, Frank Ball, Donald Justice, Millard Whitt, Leon Adkins, Andrew Hunt, Harold Cline, Arnold Hicks, Roger Blackburn, Danny May, Jim Moore and William Dotson.

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

SAND LICK: Mike Smith, Brian Moore, Noah Slone, Wade Smith, Tom Chapman, Sid Fleming, Timothy Slone, David Alan Thacker, Randal Thornsberry, Estle Hackney, Elmer Thacker.

UNION: Timothy Slone, Wade Smith, Joseph Slone, John Jacobs, Onis Smith, Elmer Thacker, Noah Slone, Elmer Goff.

ST. CLAIR DISTRICT: Wade Smith, Monroe Justice, Elmer Goff,

Tom Chapman, Noah Slone, Elmer Thacker, Brian Moore,
Estle Hackney.

BURNING SPRINGS: Mike Smith, Harrison Smith,
Paris Blackburn, Joseph Slone, Timothy Slone,
Howard Waggoner, Noah Slone, Randal Thornsby,
David A. Thacker.

LITTLE YADKIN RIVER: Bradley Coleman, Jim Moore,
Tom Chapman, Elmer Thacker, Wade Smith,
Leslie Hatfield, Randal Thornsby, David A. Thacker,
John Jacobs, Onis Smith, Noah Slone, Carl Coleman,
Paul Varney.

MT. ZION: Randal Thornsby, David A. Thacker, Leslie Hatfield.

NEW LIBERTY: Elmer Goff, John Jacobs, Onis Smith.

FISHER'S RIVER: Elmer Goff, John Jacobs,
David Alan Thacker, Onis Smith, David May.

WASHINGTON: Noah Slone, John Jacobs, Elmer Thacker,
Elmer Goff, Joseph Slone, David May, David A. Thacker,
Brian Moore, Estle Hackney.

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

SATURDAY MORNING, September 1, 2001

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

Prayer by Elder David Edwards.

Roll called and absentees marked.

Committee on Arrangements reported the following:

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

- #1 Recommend that we omit the reading of the letters before
the committee.
- #2 Recommend that Samaria Church host the Annual Meeting
for 2002.
- #3 Recommend that Columbus Church host the Association for
2002.
- #4 Called for the circular letter written by Elder Jeff Dotson.

The letter was read and recommended for approval by the full body of messengers on Saturday morning.

#5 Recommend that the Association carry on its work on Saturday in the usual manner.

#6 Brother Leon Adkins explained the situation regarding Little Union (Feds Creek Church). The clerk refuses to send the letter, which the membership has agreed to send.

*Moved and seconded to give Little Union Church one year to set their house in order, and report back next year.

Moved and seconded that the committees work be accepted and that they be discharged.

Moved and seconded that our annual meeting be held with Samaria Church to begin Friday before the last Saturday in March, 2002.

Committee of Preaching reported the following for Sunday:

Song and prayer by Elder David A. Thacker

1.) Elder Phillip Gilmore, Mt. Zion Association of Alabama

2.) Elder Michael Smith, Mates Creek

3.) Elder Frank Viers, Sand Lick

4.) Elder Randal Thornsby, Mates Creek

Song and prayer by Elder Price Viers.

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, 2002. Lundy Coleman, Paris Blackburn, Noah Slone, Paul Dean Justice, David A. Thacker, Ernest Blair, Jimmy Lee Smith, Elmer Thacker, David May, Randal Thornsby, David Jacobs, Ellis Lynn, Rufford Howell, John Jacobs, Elmer Brown, Jeff Dotson, Shawn Dotson and Monroe Justice.

OLD POND: Meets Friday before the second Saturday in June, 2002. Old Pond Church invites all Primitive Baptist Elders of our faith and order to our Union Meeting.

BIG CREEK: Meets Friday before the third Saturday in August, 2002. Michael Smith, Greg Moore, Paris Blackburn, Monroe Justice, J.C. Hager, Noah Slone, David Coleman, Jr., Glenn Vipperman, Jimmy Lee Smith, Kenneth Chapman, Bobby Blackburn, Ernest Blair, Barry Thacker, David Lee Jacobs, Robert Worrix, Elmer Brown, and all orderly Primitive Baptist Elders of

the same faith and order.

RACCOON: Meets Friday before the fourth Saturday in July, 2002. Ellis Lynn, Rufford Howell, Noah Slone, Robert Worrix, Elmer Brown, Ernest Blair, Michael Elswick, Mike Smith, and all others that may want to attend are welcome.

PETER CREEK: Meets Friday before the fourth Saturday in June, 2002. Paris Blackburn, Jim Moore, Shawn Dotson, Harrison Smith, Randal Thornsberry, Elmer Thacker, Steve Kender, Mike Smith, Paul Varney, Jimmy Lee Smith, Jeff Dotson and Brian Moore.

SULPHUR SPRINGS: Meets Friday before the first Saturday in August, 2002. Estle Hackney, John Jacobs, Elmer Thacker, Paul Varney, Randal Thornsberry, David A. Thacker, Jeff Dotson, Shawn Dotson, J.C. Hager, Noah Stone, Elmer Goff, David Jacobs, Everett Brizendine, Raymond Stanley, and all orderly Primitive Baptist Ministers welcome.

LITTLE HOPE: Meets Friday before the first Saturday in July, 2002. Walter Sullivan, Raymond Stanley, Michael Elswick, David May, Elmer Thacker, Michael Smith, Kenneth Chapman, Paris Blackburn, John Jacobs, Robert Worrix, Paul Varney, Onis Smith, Bobby Blackburn, Virgil Smith, Randal Thornsberry, Jeff Dotson, Shawn Dotson, J.C. Hager, Harrison Smith, and all others that may want to attend are welcome.

GRAPEVINE: Meets Friday before the third Saturday in May, 2002. Paul Smith, Elmer Thacker, Elmer Brown, Robert Worrix, David Coleman, Jr., Paul Varney, Ernest Blair, John Jacobs, Monroe Justice, Jimmy Lee Smith, J.C. Hager, Allen Coleman, Greg Moore, Junior Adams, David Jacobs, Estle Hackney and Steve Kender.

A Memorial Service for all deceased members will be held on June 30, 2002.

SAMARIA: Meets Friday before the third Saturday in June, 2002. Michael Smith, Paul Varney, Eddie Harris, Raymond Stanley, Jeff Dotson, Shawn Dotson, J.C. Hager, Walter Sullivan, Kenneth Chapman, Bobby Blackburn, Paris Blackburn, Jimmy Lee Smith, Steve Kender, and Randal Thornsberry. All orderly Primitive Baptists are invited.

LITTLE UNION: Meets Friday before the first Saturday in May, 2002.

JOHNS CREEK: Meets Friday before the second Saturday in April, 2002. Noah Slone, Greg Moore, Walter Sullivan, Steve Kender, Raymond Stanley, Robert Worrix, Michael Smith, Jimmy L. Smith, Onis Smith, David Coleman, Jr., J.C. Hager, Paris Blackburn, Elmer Thacker, David A. Thacker, John Jacobs, Randal Thornsberry, David Jacobs, Kenneth Chapman, David May, Mike Elswick, Jeff Dotson and Shawn Dotson. All orderly Primitive Baptist Ministers are welcome.

CALVARY: Meets Friday before the first Saturday in June, 2002. J.C. Hager, Shawn Dotson, Mike Smith, Robert Worrix, Paul Varney, David Coleman, Jr., John Jacobs, Harrison Smith, Ernest Blair, Noah Slone, Randal Thornsberry, Elmer Thacker, Onis Smith, Kenneth Chapman, David May, Bobby Blackburn, Greg Moore, Paris Blackburn, Walter Sullivan, Jeff Dotson and Steve Kender. All orderly Ministers are welcome.

DRY FORK: Meets Friday before the second Saturday in May, 2002. Arnold Childress, Ked Stacy, Harrison Smith, Noah Slone, Raymond Stanley, Paul Varney, Ernest Blair, Jimmy L. Smith, Randal Thornsberry, Franklin Viers, Elmer Thacker, Bobby Arrington, David A. Thacker, Robert Worrix, Robbie Worrix, J.C. Hager, Jeff Dotson, Shawn Dotson, Elmer Brown, Don Stacy, Price Viers and Paul Smith. All orderly Primitive Baptist Ministers are welcome.

Note: Memorial Services for the Martha Street family are held on Sunday of our July meeting on Baldwin Mountain; Memorial Services for the Boyd Jackson family are held the last Sunday in August at the shed on Boyd Ridge; Dry Fork meeting on Sunday in August will be at Nuckles and Hess cemetery on Fletcher's Ridge.

FRIENDSHIP: Meets on the fourth Saturday evening in August, 2002. Greg Moore, Randal Thornsberry, David A. Thacker, Walter Sullivan, Onis Smith, Paris Blackburn, Noah Slone, R.T. Thacker, Kenneth Chapman, John Jacobs and Steve Kender. All orderly Primitive Baptist Ministers are welcome.

COLUMBUS: Meets Friday before the fourth Saturday in April, 2002. Robert Worrix, David Coleman, Jr., Noah Slone, John Jacobs, David A. Thacker, Jim Moore, Elmer Brown, Onis Smith, David Jacobs, David May, Robbie Worrix, J.C. Hager, Ernest Blair, Raymond Stanley, Greg Moore, Paul Dean Justice, Hesker Gillum,

Randal Thornsby, Jimmy L. Smith, Michael Elswick, Elmer Thacker, Michael Smith, Jeff Dotson, Shawn Dotson and Larry Stanley. All Mates Creek elders, brothers and sisters are invited to attend.

Note: Our annual meeting convenes the first Friday in October.

DEERFIELD: Meets the fourth Saturday in June, 2002. Mike Elswick, Rufford Howell, Jim Duty, John Jacobs, Greg Moore, Noah Slone, David A. Thacker, Onis Smith, David May, Shawn Dotson, Robbie Worrix, Victor Quick, Raymond Stanley, Jeff Dotson, Paris Blackburn, James T. Dotson, Bob Mayhorn, Randal Thornsby and Billy Cook.

Memorial Service to be held the first weekend of April.

PLEASANT HILL: Meets Friday before the third Saturday in April, 2002. David A. Thacker, David May, J.C. Hager, David Jacobs, Rufford Howell, Noah Slone, Lundy Coleman, Paris Blackburn, Estle Hackney, Lonnie Worrix, Raymond Stanley, Michael Smith, Mike Elswick and Shawn Dotson.

Memorial Meeting will be held the third Saturday and Sunday of October.

NEW HOPE: Meets Friday before the fourth Saturday in May, 2002. Noah Slone, Paris Blackburn, Elmer Thacker, David A. Thacker, Mike Smith, David May, Greg Moore, Randal Thornsby, John Jacobs, Bobby Blackburn, David Jacobs, Onis Smith, Paul Varney, Mike Elswick, Raymond Stanley, Shawn Dotson, Jeff Dotson, David A. Coleman, Jr. and J.C. Hager. All Mates Creek ordained Ministers and Brothers and Sisters are invited.

Circular Letter called for, read, received and to be printed in the minutes and that Elder Shawn Dotson prepare the next one.

Agreed that we have 2,200 minutes printed and annex our Constitution, Rules of Decorum, and Articles of Faith and the Obituaries of the following:

BROTHERS: Clifford Thacker, Woodruff L. Dulen, Opa Hatfield, Rupert B. Sparks, George W. Ratliff, Willard Thomas Collins, Rufus Goff, Jessie F. Smith, Charles E. Blackburn, Clive Smith, Raymond Wilson Hunt, Franklin Delano Wolford, Roy Coleman, Charles Raymond Hoskins, and Rush Chapman.

SISTERS: Annie Chapman, Jennie Smith, Pearl (Hunt) Smith, Mary Elizabeth Hatfield, Edith Hatfield, Lakie (Sullivan)

Smith, Hazel Madeline Boyd, Bertha Coleman, Emma Lee Chaney, Ida Mae Hackney Lester, Mary Lou Coleman, Bertie Jane (Scott) Ward, Alice Varney, Katherine Coleman, Gertrude Street Church, Elsie Conn Smith and Delsa Conn Coleman.

Agreed that the Brother Clerk superintendent 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 were dispensed as follows:

Balance left on hand from last year	\$7,629.30
Amount received from churches	1,825.00
Amount for Obituaries	320.00
Donations	25.00
<u>TOTAL CASH ON HAND</u>	<u>\$9,799.30</u>

CASH PAID OUT:

Paid for 2000 minutes	\$1,265.00
Gave Moderator	50.00
Gave Assistant Moderator	50.00
Gave Clerk	50.00
Gave Assistant Clerk	50.00
Color Copy Express	4.13
U.S. Postal Service	21.90
Johns Creek Church for Restroom	210.00
Cash for visiting Elders	500.00
<u>TOTAL CASH PAID OUT</u>	<u>\$2,201.03</u>
<u>BALANCE LEFT ON HAND</u>	<u>\$7,598.27</u>

Agreed that our next Association be held with the Columbus Church of Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio. To begin at 10:00 a.m., Friday before the first Sunday in September, 2002. Elder Steve Kender was appointed to preach the Introduction Sermon. Elder Brian Moore to be his alternate. Minutes read, approved. Closed by prayer by Elder Victor Church, then adjourned until the time of our next Association.

Signed by: ELDER RANDAL THORNSBURY Moderator
ELDER DAVID A. THACKER .. Assistant Moderator
DEACON LESLIE D. HATFIELD Clerk
DEACON LONNIE SIMPKINS Assistant Clerk

SUNDAY MORNING, September 2, 2001

INTRODUCTION: Elder David A. Thacker selected Hymn No. 209 in the Goble. Brother David was wonderfully blessed in prayer for the peace of Zion.

1. Elder Phillip Gilmore of Mt. Zion Association, Alabama. Text: "Be of good courage...". Brother Gilmore used various texts to illustrate the strength of God's people in unity when following the Lord.
2. Elder Michael Smith.
3. Elder Frank Viers.
4. Elder Randal Thornsbury.
5. Elder Price Viers closed with song and prayer with rejoicing.

Circular Letter

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus our Lord and Savior,

Having been called upon to write this circular letter to the Mates Creek Primitive Baptist Association for the 2001 year, I pray that as we meet once more we will be found in peace and love.

Before I sat down to write this letter I first prayed and asked God for His spirit to lead me. I began to think of the Resurrection; how that we live in hope of eternal life, that God promised before the world was in Christ Jesus our Lord. Although this body must die, it will live again. Praise God. For we know that this body must die because of sin. When sin is finished, it brings forth death, and all have sinned, so all must die. Had I stopped writing here, we would be of all men most miserable. Praise God, that I can say through Faith in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, we will live again.

We can read many scriptures in the Bible that speak of eternal life. Jesus said: "Search the scriptures for in them ye think ye have eternal life and they are they which testify of me."

In the Book of Job, Job asked a question; "If a man die shall he live again? All the days of my appointed time will I wait till my change come." He also wrote, "though after my skin worms destroy this body yet in my flesh shall I see God." So, Brothers and Sisters, we can say that Job believed in the resurrection of the dead. David wrote in the 16 Psalm, "Preserve me O God for in thee do I put my trust, For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell, neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption." He also said in the 17

Psalm, "As for me, I will behold thy face in righteousness, I shall be satisfied when I awake with thy likeness." Therefore, I believe, Brothers and Sisters, we can say David is trusting in God to also raise him from the dead. These are just a few verses from the Old Testament that testify of the Resurrection.

In the New Testament we can read where Jesus Himself said, "I am the Resurrection and the Life, He that believeth in me though he were dead yet shall he live." Praise His Name. I thank God that we can say there will be a resurrection, because He said He is the Resurrection. Jesus was sent to this world to die on Calvary's Cross, to lay in the tomb, and to rise on the third day. For it was prophesied that there would be a fountain opened to the House of David and the Inhabitants of Jerusalem, for sin and uncleanness. Praise God, for that fountain was opened upon Calvary when Jesus was speared in the side and forthwith came blood and water. Jesus told Pilate, "To this end I was born and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth, everyone that is of the truth heareth my voice." Jesus knew what He came to do. He often spoke of His death and His resurrection.

Jesus said in Matthew 20:19, "He shall be delivered unto the Gentiles to be mocked, scourged, and to crucify him: and the third day he shall rise again." He also told Peter, James, and John as they came down from the mountain where He had been transfigured, that they should tell no man what they had seen till the Son of Man be raised from the dead. Jesus also said, "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." Jesus was speaking of His body. When therefore He was risen from the dead, His disciples remembered that He had said this unto them. Even the Apostle Paul wrote to the Corinthians that He was seen of more than five hundred brethren at once, and last of all, He was seen of him also, one born out of due time. Therefore we can say that we have eyewitnesses of the resurrection. Paul says in the letter to the Romans 8:23, "And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the first of the spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption to wit, the redemption of our body." Though we have not seen the resurrection, we believe in it. For the just shall live by Faith. Faith is a substance of things hoped for and evidence of things not seen, we hope for that we see not then do we with patience wait for it. Likewise the spirit also helpeth our infirmities. Paul said, "God hath both raised up the Lord and

will also raise up us by his own power." He wrote that if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him. Glory to God that we do most certainly believe that Jesus rose victoriously over death. Jesus rose with a glorified body and ascended back into heaven to the right hand of God. And as Paul, also can I say that I am persuaded that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, can separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus, our Lord. Praise His Name, that we can read where Christ said, "I am he that liveth and was dead and behold I am alive forevermore, and have the keys to hell and death." Therefore we can declare that Jesus is alive forever more and that His people will also live with Him. Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd and know my sheep and am known of mine, my sheep hear my voice and I know them and they follow me. I give unto them eternal life and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand." So, according to the scriptures, Brothers and Sisters, we know there will be a resurrection. It will be of the just and the unjust. For the hour is coming in which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice and shall come forth. They that have done good unto the resurrection of life, and they that have done evil unto the resurrection of damnation. The book of Daniel 12:2 says, "Many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt." Isaiah 53:11 says, "Jesus shall see the travail of his soul and shall be satisfied; by his knowledge, shall my righteous servant justify many, for He shall bear their iniquities." So, Brothers and Sisters, why should it be thought a thing incredible with us, that God should raise the dead? So, with these few scriptures, I think we can say that there will be a resurrection. May God bless you.

**Love,
Your Brother in Christ,
Elder Jeff Dotson**

**MESSENGERS REPRESENTING
THE SISTER CHURCHES**

LOUISA: Joseph Slone, Keen Slone, Ireland Adkins,
Bradley Worrix, Jr.

LOUISA'S ALTERNATE: Greenie Slone

OLD POND: Mike Scott, Walter Rutherford, Clifford Hunt,
Earl Scott

OLD POND'S ALTERNATE: Michael Elswick

BIG CREEK: Sid Fleming, Tom Chapman, Wade Smith,
Lawrence Elswick

BIG CREEK'S ALTERNATE: Onis Smith

RACCOON: Monroe Justice, David Jr. Coleman,
Donovan Blackburn, Timothy Coleman

RACCOON'S ALTERNATE: Paul Dean Justice

PETER CREEK: Daris Kender, Randy Kender, Floyd Coleman,
Stirl Smith

PETER CREEK'S ALTERNATE: Steve Kender

SULPHUR SPRING: Ronald Moore, Paul Smith, Arthur May,
Brian Moore

SULPHUR SPRING'S ALTERNATE: Junior Blackburn

LITTLE HOPE: J.B. Ball, Mitchell Blackburn, Frank Ball,
Virgil Smith

LITTLE HOPE'S ALTERNATE: Bobby Blackburn

GRAPEVINE: Timothy Slone, Donald Justice, Harold Abbott,
Elmer Goff

GRAPEVINE'S ALTERNATE: Bradley Coleman

SAMARIA: Millard Whitt, Lonnie Simpkins, Berlin Dotson,
Cecil Hatfield

SAMARIA'S ALTERNATE: Dennis Dotson

LITTLE UNION: (Not Available)

LITTLE UNION'S ALTERNATE:

JOHNS CREEK: Carl Coleman, Darnell Dotson, Roger Dotson,
Harrison Smith

JOHNS CREEK'S ALTERNATE: Edd Hunt

CALVARY: Roger Varney, Ricky Ratliff, Barry Thacker,
David Allen Thacker

CALVARY'S ALTERNATE: Andrew Hunt

DRY FORK: Carl Van Dyke, Ralph Street, Harold Cline,
Roger Deel

DRY PORK'S ALTERNATE: Elmer Brown

FRIENDSHIP: Arnold Hicks, Troy Wheeler, Martin Childers,
Elmer Thacker

FRIENDSHIP'S ALTERNATE: David May

COLUMBUS: Rufford Howell, Roger Blackburn, Lundy Coleman,
Howard Wagoner

COLUMBUS' ALTERNATE: Bob Kennedy

DEERFIELD: Harold Blackburn, John Holyfield,
Donnie Jackson, Danny May

DEERFIELD'S ALTERNATE: David Jacobs

PLEASANT HILL: Jim Moore, Dean Moore, George Thompson,
Jackie Scott

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NEW HOPE'S ALTERNATE: Walter Sullivan

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Jimmie Lee Smith
Elmer Brown
Bobby Blackburn
Noah Slone
Michael Smith

COMMUNION

August 2nd Saturday
June 2nd Saturday
August 3rd Saturday
July 4th Saturday
June 4th Saturday
August 1st Saturday
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May 3rd Saturday
June 3rd Saturday

CHURCH**MODERATOR****COMMUNION**

Little Union
John's Creek
Calvary

Robert B. Worrix
Paul Varney
Michael Elswick
David A. Thacker

May 1st Saturday
April 2nd Saturday
June 1st Saturday

Dry Fork
Friendship
Columbus
Deerfield
Pleasant Hill

Elmer Brown
Elmer Thacker
Lundy Coleman
J.C. Hager
James T. Dotson
Greg Moore

May 2nd Saturday
August 4th Saturday
April 4th Saturday
June 4th Saturday
April 3rd Saturday

New Hope

Kenneth Chapman
Walter Sullivan

May 4th Saturday

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TOTAL MINUTES 2,200

OBITUARIES

ELDER CLIFFORD THACKER

(1933 – 2000)



**ELDER CLIFFORD
THACKER**

obituary of a wonderful Husband and Daddy: Elder Clifford

He was so much more to us, he was a FRIEND. He knew how much we loved him, and he made sure we knew how much he loved us! One of the last things he said was, 'I don't want to break your heart, and I don't want you to ever feel abandoned. I love you!' Even though he believed he had a better home waiting, he worried about leaving us. With many precious memories to guide us, we will try to write the

Thacker.

Born March 6, 1933, passed from this life August 26, 2000, making his stay on earth 67 yrs. 5. mos. He was the son of the late T.J. & Martha (May) Thacker. He was a veteran of the Korean War, and a retired television lineman/appliance repairman.

On February 11, 1956, he married Darcus Ova (Coleman) Thacker. To this union seven children were born: Dorothy J. Belcher, Donna S. Crum, Mary Lou Thacker (deceased), Novella Hunter, Elder Clifford Todd Thacker, Tammy L. Thacker and Terry D. Thacker. Other survivors include 12 grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren, 2 sisters, Avonell Ray & Goldie Patrick, many nieces and nephews and a host of friends. In addition to his parents and daughter, he was preceded in death by: 5 brothers, Elder J.U. Thacker, Elder Thomas Wheeler Thacker, James Everett Thacker, Clinton Thacker, Junice Thacker, 3 sisters, Ocie McIntyre, Josie West, and Irene Castle.

Baptized September 9, 1967, he was a minister for 31 years and served as Joint Moderator of Louisa Primitive Baptist Church. He was very devoted to the ministry and to the church. He told us many times over the years, the church should be cared for as you would your home. If you love it, you should take care of it. And as long as he was able he did what he could! He enjoyed fellowshiping with his brothers and sisters of the church. He firmly believed in Salvation by Grace!

His passing left our hearts filled with indescribable pain. Our home can never be the same. But we will treasure every "I Love You" he ever spoke, and we draw upon them everyday!

We believe in a God who promised us he would not put more on us than we can stand. We feel our precious Loved One is only sleeping waiting for God to call His children home.

GOD EASED HIS PAIN WHEN NOTHING ELSE WOULD.

GOD HEALED HIM WHEN NOTHING ELSE COULD.

SLEEP ON, WE WILL SEE YOU SOME GLAD MORNING!

Some things in life are plain to see. Some things that happen are never understood. But to everything there is a purpose.

Our family would like to say a Very Special Thanks to all the brothers & sisters who came to visit and helped us get through his illness. It meant a great deal to him & us. May GOD bless each & every one of you! Let's continue to pray for each other.

—Written by: his loving Wife & Children



ELDER WOODRUFF L. DULEN

It is with much sadness that I try to write the obituary of a dear friend and a Brother in Christ. Woodruff L. Dulen was born on January 21, 1925, in Morgantown, KY. He resided with his wife Geneva Dulen at 7600 Troy Sidney Rd., Piqua, Ohio.

The Lord called him home at the age of 75 on March 10, 2000 after being hospitalized for four months in the Veteran's Hospital in Dayton, Ohio.

ELDER WOODRUFF L. DULEN

He was the son of the late John and Rosie Pack Dulen. Also preceding him in death was one son Rendle Dulen, who was killed in the Vietnam War, three brothers, David, Wiston, and Kenny Dulen, two sisters, Rosetta Dulen, and Huldah Dulen Hendershot.

Leaving to mourn his death is his dear beloved wife, Geneva Jones Dulen, one brother, Woodrow Jr. Dulen, one sister, Janie Myrtle Dulen Spicer, two brothers-in-law, Edd and Charles Jones. He also adopted into his life Bud and Kathleen Wright as a son and daughter.

Woodruff and Geneva were united in marriage on July 13, 1948. He served his country in World War II and received a purple heart and four bronze stars. He retired from Dinner Bell Packing Co. in Troy, Ohio.

He was a Minister for 46 years of his life. He was the Moderator of Pleasant Hill Primitive Baptist Church in Urbana, Ohio for approximately 15 years. He was very faithful to his ministry and the church before his sickness. He will be greatly missed by all of his brothers and sisters in Christ and all his family and friends.

It gives us great comfort to believe that he is in heaven now, and he will never suffer no more; and by the Grace of God that we may all join him someday on that heavenly shore.

—Written by: Elder Tennis Dotson



OPA HATFIELD

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These words of tribute come from the cherished memories and lonesome hearts of Opa Hatfield's wife, his children and all his family and friends. Opa was the husband of Mary Coleman Hatfield for 58 true and faithful years. He was a loving and beloved Father to eight children. Daughters: Shirley (Roger) Vickers, McCarr, Ky., Bonnie (Ken) Dempsey, Mudlick, Ky. Sons: Woodrow Hatfield, Phelps, Ky., Glen "Mousie" Hatfield, McCarr, Ky., Terry (Brenda) Hatfield, McCarr, Ky., Jerry "Mickey" (Patty) Hatfield, Auxier, Ky., Ermal Hatfield of Winchester, Ky., and Opa "O.J." Hatfield Jr., Winchester, Ky. All are surviving and will honor Opa by remembering a verse that seems to perfectly fit his nature and his generous love for them:

**"AND FOR MY SAKE AND IN MY NAME,
LIVE ON AND DO ALL THINGS THE SAME"**

Opa "Opie" was born May 20, 1922. The son of the late Ward and Ida Coleman. He was preceded in death by his brother, Glanville Hatfield, and sister, Emma Jean "Sis" Bowling. Additional survivors include: Ermal and Fonso Hatfield, both of Phelps, Ky.; 11 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Opa was a hard working and dedicated coal miner. He retired a member of Local Union 8288 of the UMWA. He was a past deacon of Primitive Baptist Church at Ransom, Ky. Opa was well known for being a man of his word. He had a wonderful smile and always seemed to find something good to say about everyone. Most especially, Opa is well known for his love of horses. He was a superior horseman, he loved riding, horse shows, talking about horses and everything to do with horses. He had an understanding of horses that only a lifetime of loving them could bring.

Opa Hatfield, 78, died Saturday, Feb. 3, 2001 at his home in McCarr, Ky. "He cried out in anguish and God set him free." Four generations of family members were there. Some friends were there. All of his family and friends were in his heart. His beloved wife Mary was with him.....she always will be.

RUPERT B. SPARKS

Rupert B. Sparks, 87, of Springfield, passed away at 7:36 a.m. Wednesday, September 27, 2000, in Community Hospital. He was born February 12, 1913, in Johnson County, Kentucky, the son of David R. and Leura Catherine (Medley) Sparks. Mr. Sparks was a member of the Pleasant Hill Primitive Baptist Church and was retired from Navistar.

Survivors include three sons and spouses, Larry (Jan) Sparks, Springfield, Farrell (Sharon) Sparks, Beavercreek, Billie (Carolyn) Sparks, Springfield; four step-children and spouses, Darlene (Steward) Ross, Willa Jean (Elwin) Sagraves, Chester (Darleen) Ferguson, all of Springfield, Ann Belle (Fred) Williams, Morgan County, Kentucky; 21 grandchildren; numerous great-grandchildren; and great-great-grandchildren; brothers and sisters, Faldo (Gladys) Sparks, Catlettsburg, Kentucky, Alta Sparks, Chillicothe, Leslie (Anna) Sparks, Medway, Ohio; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his wives, Sadie (Dials) Sparks and Minnie (Skaggs) (Ferguson) Sparks; a great-granddaughter, Wendy Holt; four brothers, Con, Gusta, Otha and Maxwell; and one sister, Goldie Baker.

Funeral arrangements were made by Jones-Kenney-Zechman Funeral Home. Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Friday in the Eastside Freewill Baptist Church with Elder Jim Moore and Jim Baldwin officiating. Grave side services were held at 11 a.m. Saturday in Sturgill Cemetery, Martha, Kentucky, with burial following.



GEORGE W. RATLIFF

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This is the obituary of our Daddy, George Ratliff, 67, of Ransom, Ky. Daddy died Thursday, November 25, 1999 in the Pikeville Methodist Hospital after a battle with cancer.

Born April 16, 1932 at Blackberry (Ransom) Ky. He was the son of the late Kit and Velma Mae (Dotson) Ratliff. He was also preceded in death by his wife of 42 years, Bobbie Jean (Ball) Ratliff, who died Sept. 22, 1998, and one son

Roger Dale Ratliff on October 3, 1992. He was also preceded in death by four sisters, Bobbie Ward, Billie Mounts, Margaret Williams and Anna Hodge.

Daddy was a retired coal miner from Kentucky Carbon and a member of the UMWA. He was of the Primitive Baptist Faith.

He left behind four daughters, Kaye (Landon) Smith, Luna Smith, Delores (Randy) Yates and Rita (Jeff) Justice, one brother, Drainen Ratliff, Kimper, Ky., two sisters, Ida Coleman, High Point, NC, and Jackie Coleman of Kimper, Ky. He also had six grandsons, Nick Ratliff, Everette Allen Smith, Jordan Smith, Aaron Justice, Jason and Tyler Yates, one granddaughter, Jessica Ratliff. He also left a great host of friends.

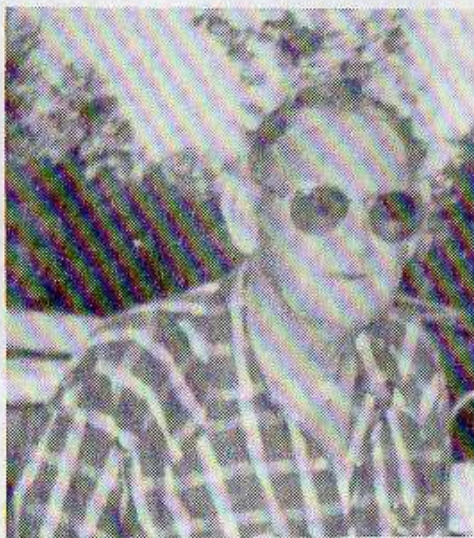
Funeral Services were held at the Samaria Primitive Baptist Church at Ransom, with the Elders Mike Smith, Robert Worrix, and Earnest Blair.

Daddy was buried at the Dotson Cemetery next to Mommy and Rod. Pallbearers were Nick Ratliff, Everette A. Smith, Landon Smith, Jr., Church, Ernie and Jeff Justice.

Daddy died in the clothes he loved so much, his coon hunting clothes. Dad was also a great fisherman.

He is missed by all of us, and we know that he taught us something in life that will always stay with us.

—Love and Memories,
Your daughters, Kaye, Luna, Delores and Rita



**WILLARD THOMAS
COLLINS**

WILLARD THOMAS COLLINS

Dec. 25, 1921 - Sept. 17, 2000

Willard Thomas Collins was born December 25, 1921 in Pikeville, Ky. He was a member of the Primitive Baptist Church. His parents were Green Anderson Collins and Liza (Goff) Collins.

He was married to Sarah Rebecca Worrix (Becky). He had two children, Hassel Thomas Collins and Betty Collins Charles, both of South Webster, Ohio.

Willard was survived by his grandchildren, Jonathan, Tonya, Jason, Shannon Ray, Josh, Chad, and one great-grandchild,

Jonathan Thomas II. Also one daughter-in-law, Annetta (Edie) Collins, and one son-in-law, Raymond Charles.

He was preceded in death by four brothers, King, Johnnie, Willis, Rudolph, and four sisters, Elsie, Minnie, Dixie and Dolly.

He will be sadly missed by his family and friends in Kentucky and Ohio.



RUFUS GOFF

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With a loving memory and a sad heart, I will try to write the obituary of my loving grandpa, Rufus Goff.

He was born May 2, 1912 to Rodolph and Hester Collins Goff and departed from this life October 17, 1999, making his stay on earth 87 years, 5 months, and 15 days.

Rufus was a member of the Raccoon Primitive Baptist Church, where he was Deacon. He was a World War II veteran and a retired coal miner.

He was married to Jettie Goff who preceded him in death. He was also preceded in death by one daughter, Lois Davis, two grandsons, and one great-granddaughter.

He left on this earth to mourn his death four daughters, Joyce Coleman, Mavis Coleman and Glenna Gay May, all of Raccoon, and Linda Karen Thacker of Shelbiana; three sons, Burton Goff and George Thomas Goff of Raccoon, and Calvin Goff of Shelbiana who passed away July 1, 2001.

He had 31 grandchildren and 31 great-grandchildren.

Papa was very special to his family and friends who loved him dearly. We all miss him very much, but we know that by the Grace of God we will meet him again to depart never more.

—Written by his Granddaughter Reta Robinson

JESSIE F. SMITH

Jessie Smith, age 69, of Flat Gap, Ky., formerly of Phelps, Ky., went to be with the Lord Oct. 28, 2000.

He was born at Phelps, Ky., on March 3, 1931, a son of the late Wilburn and Marcella Hackney Smith.

He was a coal miner and factory worker; a member of the Flat



JESSIE F. SMITH

Gap Fire Department, and a Honorary Kentucky Colonel.

Jessie became a member of the Peter Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Phelps, Ky. in 1986.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by his brothers Wheeler and Dallas, and his sister Mary Lambert.

Jessie leaves to mourn his passing and honor his loving memory, his wife Evelyn, his son Lester, daughters Diane Booth, Elizabeth Moody, and Sue Kovatch; stepdaughters Teresa F. Jackson and Becky Preece; eight grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren. He is survived by five brothers, Freland, Richard, Harrison, Floyd, and Phillip; four sisters, Minnie Casey, Bithie Stevenson, Molly Blankenship, and Delphia Smith.

Jessie was a loving husband, a devoted father, and a friend to many. He will be missed forever by those who knew him and loved him.

—Written by Evelyn S. Smith, wife



CHARLES E. BLACKBURN

It is with much sadness as I sit here trying in my weakness and sorrow to write the obituary of my beloved Charles. I miss him so.

Charles Edward Blackburn was born July 17th, 1934 and left us September 15th, 2000. He was 66 years old. He was the son of the late John H. Blackburn and mother Marah Wolford Blackburn, who preceded him in death, a step-mother Sarah Thacker Blackburn, also a brother Albert Blackburn, a brother Chester Blackburn, a little sister Shirley Blackburn. He leaves three brothers, Luther Jr. Blackburn of Hurley, VA, Grover Thomas Blackburn of Hurley, VA, and a younger brother Harold Blackburn of Fenton, MI, a step-mother Vicy Blackburn of Red Jacket, WV.

Charles leaves one son, Gregory Scott Blackburn, of Linden,

MI, a daughter Stephny Dawn Clark of Ontario, Canada, a daughter Mellisa Robin Van Houe of Holly, MI.

Together, Charles and I had seven children, James O. Blair of Steele, Ky., Jerry Blair of Georgia, Kath Bevins of Pikeville, Janice Sue Good of Phyllis, Ky. We had seventeen grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren.

They were not just his or mine, but ours. Charles and I met the year 1982, and were married May 27, 1983. I believe God sent us to each other. For we were so happy together. Our lives were making each other happy, going to church, rejoicing in the Lord when Charles felt good, he was always working around the church. Mowing the lawn and cleaning. He wanted to feel needed, and was a devoted member to Deerfield Church.

We had many friends and all who met Charles loved him. He always had a little joke or a smile for everyone. But always had a shoulder to cry on when it was needed. He didn't want to complain when he felt bad; always trying to spare my feelings to shield me from worry. Even down to the very last going to the hospital, his words were, "Ruth, promise me you will take care of yourself."

He was getting tired and weak, so God came and took him home to rest. Never to be sick anymore. Charles laid to rest with his two brothers in Linden, Michigan. I am left here waiting for the time for God to take me to him.

His funeral was at the Deerfield Church. Elder J.C. Hager, Elder John Jacobs, Elder David Jacobs took care of the funeral. His nephews were his pallbearers. He leaves behind a host of friends and family to mourn his loss.

He always wondered about what his real mom looked like for he was so young when she died he couldn't remember. I hope somewhere at his crossing that God gave him a glimpse of his mother's face. There is so much I could tell you of Charles. He was a special person. Honey I miss you and I love you so much.

—Written by your lonely wife Ruth Blackburn

CLIVE SMITH

It is with much sadness that I endeavor to write the obituary of my dear Uncle and beloved Brother of Christ, Brother Clive Smith.

He was the son of the late Henry and Bertha Ellen Smith. He was born on June 21, 1911 and departed this life November 19,

1999, making his stay on earth, 88 years, 4 months and 28 days.

He was a faithful member of the Big Creek Primitive Baptist Church, until sickness kept him confined the last couple of years. He was married to Birdie Stanley on March 26, 1938 who preceded him in death on February 1, 1998. To this union was born a son, Danny Larry Smith, and a daughter, Betty Gaye Smith.

In addition to his wife, he was preceded in death by 5 brothers, Will, Winfrey, French, John I, and Andy Smith; one sister, Arminda Smith.

Clive is survived by: son, Danny Larry Smith, Canada, KY; daughter, Betty Gaye "Smith" Webb, of Salisbury, NC; brother, Ostel Smith, St. Paul, VA; sisters, Marie Scott, Benton, KY, and Dorothy Webb, Williamson, WV.; 9 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

Clive spent most of his working years in the coal mines and was disabled by injury and illness. He was a member of the UMWA Local Union # 5737.

To his family and friends I say: Sorrow not as others which have no hope, for if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them which sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him. I Thessalonians 4:14 In that Glorious Resurrection Day; Clive believed the doctrine of Salvation by the Grace of God.

Since Clive's death, his brother Elder Ostel Smith, Cranes Nest Church, Sand Lick Association, passed away on April 17, 2000.

—Written by his Nephew, Wade Smith

RAYMOND WILSON HUNT

Raymond Wilson Hunt, 84, of Hardy, Kentucky, died Tuesday, April 17, 2001 in the Appalachian Regional Hospital.

Born January 16, 1917 in Pike County, Kentucky, a son of the late George and Hattie Scott Hunt. Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by his first wife, Ruby Hunt; one son, David Neil Hunt; sisters, Hazel Hankins and Sylvia Worland; brothers, Thomas, Fonso, and Charlie "Tickle" Hunt.

He was a retired Carman from the Norfolk and Western Railroad and was a Member of the Old Pond Primitive Baptist Church.

Raymond is survived by his second wife, Bertha Stanley Hunt of Hardy; one daughter, Judith (Blake) Wood of Elkview, West Virginia; three grandchildren; five great-grandchildren and a host of loving friends.



**FRANKLIN DELANO
WOLFORD**

FRANKLIN DELANO WOLFORD

On behalf of my family, at my Mother's request, I will try to write the obituary of my loving faithful Dad.

Born April 16th, 1941, God called him to be with Him July 27th, 2001, making his stay in this world 60 years, 3 months and 12 days. Elder J.C. Hager, David Jacobs and John Jacobs officiated services.

Dad was born in Pike County, KY, son of Hobert and Stella (Blackburn) Wolford.

Dad resided in Fenton, Michigan for 38 years, coming from Chicago where he met and married my mom, Drema Marcella (Fox) Wolford on May 29th. He retired from G.M. Truck and Bus in 1994 with 31 years of service. He was a member of U.A.W. He was a member of Deerfield Primitive Baptist Church for over 30 years.

Dad leaves his heartbroken wife, Drema, and 6 children, 5 girls, 1 boy: Retta and Dan Taylor of Hally, MI; Stella Wolford of Fenton, MI; Rasa and John Earley of Fenton, MI; Deana and Roger Gass of Linden, MI; Francine Wolford of Fenton, MI; Franklin C. and Cassie Wolford of Grand Blanc, MI; 8 grandchildren, Deelynn, Rebecca, Sarah, Danielle, Terence "Terry", Joshua, Lucas, Jonah; 2 brothers, Joe (Juanita) of Santa Lyon, Paul (Anita) of Linden; 3 sisters, Dixie Ball of Fenton, Barb Hancock of Ohio, Betty Chavis of Farmington; several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, twin brothers, Hobert and Arthur; brother, Eugene; 5 sisters, Pearl, Emogene, Hazel, Sarah, Rosetta; 2 grandsons, Charles Stewart and Daniel Taylor, Jr.

Dad was a very humble man, a man of his word, a man of honesty, a man of pure love for his wife, for us children, and for his friends. But mainly for our everloving God. Dad was always a faithful church goer with song books in each pocket, a handkerchief in hand and Mom close beside him.

Dad has written gospel songs that ring true in your ear and touch your heart. He sang Amazing Grace so loud to reach Heaven's doors. He prayed prayers that chill up and down your spine, and

has even took the stand many, many times.

Dad's love for beauty is remarkable. Flowers bloom so divine in his garden. Birds flock around the home front. He would not let any creature go unfed.

Dad has marked everyone's life with handshakes, hugs or a simple hello. Dad, you sure will be missed, never forgotten, and always be loved. But we know our loss is Heaven's gain. Your home now with your mother and all that have left before you. Have a glorious reunion. Let your voice ring out and keep singing your Songs of Lion.

—Love, Your wife, children, grandchildren and friends



ROY COLEMAN

ROY COLEMAN

Roy Coleman, born November 17, 1908, died December 30, 2000 at home, making his stay on earth 92 years, 1 month and 13 days. He was the son of the late Jackson and Minnie Honaker Coleman. He was a retired coal miner of Kentland Coal Company, a member of Local Union 8588, and a member of the Primitive Baptist Faith.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Miles Coleman, and one sister, Pearlie Coleman. He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Minnie (Varney) Coleman, and nine children; 6 sons and 3 daughters. 6 sons: Jackson and his wife Betty Coleman, Kimper, KY, Tommy and his wife Nolaine Coleman, Kimper, KY, Troy and his wife Lois Ann Coleman, Nancy, KY, Teddy and his wife Yvonne Coleman, Nancy, KY, Raymond and his wife Susie Coleman, Lawton, OK, Dealmer and his wife Ann Coleman, Lyons, IL; 3 daughters, Barbara Sue and her husband Donald Lee Coleman, Opal and her husband Bill Pembelton, Powhatan, VA, Nellie Donahue, Nancy, KY; 28 grandchildren, 41 great-grandchildren, 11 great-great-grandchildren; and a host of friends and neighbors.

His pallbearers were Timothy Jack (Timmy), John Barry, Ritchie Todd, Roy Craig, Rocky, Ronnie Coleman and Mark Avetisian.

We know he is in a better place, where there is no pain or sorrow. Rest in the arms of Jesus. Some day we will all be together.

We miss him and love him.

Ministers were Elders Paul Varney, Paul Dean Justice, David Coleman, Noah Slone, Jeff and Shawn Dotson.

Special thanks to Dr. Larry B. Coleman, Home Health, Hospice, Community Funeral Home. Everyone that sent flowers, brought food, spent time with us or remembered us in your thoughts and prayers Thank you all and God Bless everyone.

—Written by his wife, Minnie Coleman,
his daughter, Barbara Sue Coleman, and all of the family



**DEACON CHARLES
RAYMOND HOSKINS**

DEACON CHARLES RAYMOND HOSKINS

I am going to, with the help of God, make the attempt to write the obituary of our loving daddy and husband, Deacon Raymond Hoskins.

He was born March 3, 1930, departed this life September 29, 2000. He was married to his lovely wife, Vicy Church Hoskins, March 23, 1950, whom he leaves to mourn his death. He was the son of the late Deacon Lloyd Hoskins and mother Rachel.

Deacon Raymond joined the Primitive Baptist Church in June, 1950, and was a faithful member until illness kept him home.

He leaves to mourn not only his wife, but four wonderful children: Debra Robinson of London, KY; Vicie Ann Estep of Pittsburgh, KY; Paul Hoskins of Wixom, MI; and Kenneth Hoskins of London, KY. Grandchildren: Rejeanna Hall of London, KY; EJ, Chris, Shannon of Michigan. Great-grandchildren: Angel, Cherish and Jacob of London, KY and Marianna of Michigan. He was preceded in death by one daughter, Edna Mae Hall.

Deacon Hoskins will be missed by his wife and family and a host of friends. He was loved by all who knew him, there will never be another Raymond Hoskins; he's a flower in God's garden. We all love and miss him in our lives.

*Written by a loving daughter who misses him very much,
Debra Robinson*



RUSH AND ANNIE CHAPMAN

and Mrs. Arley Honaker for all they did. And to you Mat—you had a grandpa and grandma that liked you a lot. I want you to always remember this.

Thanks to Mr and Mrs. Bubby Pinson for all they did.

Date of death for Rush Coleman – November 6, 1999

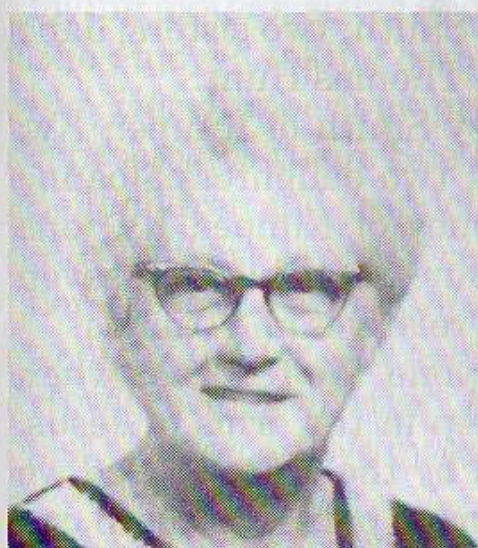
Date of death for Annie Coleman – June 10, 2000

Everyone was always welcome. Both were members of Calvary Primitive Baptist Church for many years. Rush was a clerk, and always gave a lot to the church.

Thanks to all the preachers and everyone for coming to have church for them at their home.

Written by :

Octavia Chapman—sister, and her daughter, Erma Chapman



JENNIE SMITH

ters, Clemma Rotilio, Wilma Achatz, and Karen Sue Scott, twelve

RUSH AND ANNIE CHAPMAN

Gone but not forgotten. Left this world down here for a much better place in Heaven.

They were married 60 years, but had no children. But, raised one girl named Maggie Anderson, and kept a lot of others.

Rush and Annie, I hope to see you again, in Heaven. I hope that our loss was your eternal gain.

They also had a man to stay with them, Arley Honaker. So, thanks to Mr.

JENNIE SMITH

January 30, 1910-March 27, 1990

In memory of Jennie Smith, who passed away March 27, 1990, at the age of 80 years. Born January 30, 1910, at Ransom, Kentucky, she was the daughter of the late Kennie and Clemma Smith.

She was married to the late App Smith. She left behind, to mourn her loss, sons: Francis J., Darrell Ray, Leonard H., and James York; daughters,

grandchildren, and several great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by husband and two daughters.

She was a member of the Samaria Primitive Baptist Church at Ransom, Kentucky. She was a wonderful caring wife, mother, grandmother, sister and friend.

I believe God saw she was getting tired and a cure was not to be. So He put His arms around her and whispered, "Come with me." With tearful eyes we watched her suffer and saw her fade away. Although we loved her dearly, we could not make her stay. A golden heart stopped beating and hard-working hands were put to rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us that he only takes the best.

Written by:

Son, Francis S. Smith, Daughter-in-law, Ruth C. Smith



**PEARLIE (HUNT)
SMITH**

PEARLIE (HUNT) SMITH

With sweet and precious memories of my dear wife and mother of our children, who went home to be with the Lord (II Cor. 5:8) September 20th, 2000. She was born in Pike County on Oct. 1, 1923, making her stay on earth 76 years, 11 months, 10 days, the daughter of the late Tom and Callie (Dotson) Hunt.

She was a homemaker and a member of the Long Fork Primitive Baptist Church. She was preceded in death by her father and mother; one son, Mackie Smith; two sisters, Jane Stiltner and Thanie Farley; one brother, Thomas Hunt.

She is survived by her husband, Emzy Smith of Kimper, Ky.; one son, J.C. Smith of Knoxville, Tenn.; two daughters, Joanne Charles of Raccoon, Ky., and Irene Varney of Kimper, Ky.; one brother, Ed Hunt of Kimper, Ky.; and four grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; as well as a host of relatives and friends.

Mother will be dearly missed by everyone. We feel that when the Death Angel came, Mother fell asleep in the arms of Jesus. Sleep on, Mother, for a little while, and by the grace of God we hope to meet you where no sickness, sorrow, pain, nor death can enter. We feel our loss is Heaven's gain.

Written by: The Smith Family



**MARY ELIZABETH
HATFIELD**

In Loving Memory of
MARY ELIZABETH HATFIELD

Mary Elizabeth Hatfield went to be with the Lord on December 22, 2000.

Born on May 16, 1924 at Hardy, Kentucky, she was the daughter of the late Leonard and Lear Coleman Scott. She was a homemaker and a member of the Primitive Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by: husband, John Sherman Hatfield; sister, Billie Joyce Adkins; brother James Scott; and grandson, Dwaine Edward Hatfield.

Her remaining family are sons: Jimmy (Gay Sue) and Jackie Ervin (Linda) Hatfield, both of Hardy, and Johnny (Ginger) Hatfield of Toler, KY; and daughter, Patsy Anne (Tom) Evans of Wellington, KY; brother, Alex E. Scott, Hardy; sisters: Verdi Adkins, Canton, Ohio, and Edna Grace Wellman, Hardy; 12 grandchildren; and 24 great-grandchildren.

Her funeral was held at the Rogers Funeral Home on December 24, 2000, with ministers Mike Smith and Mike Elswick officiating. Burial was in the Mountain View Memory Gardens, Huddy, KY.

Mary Elizabeth was well known in the Pond Creek area as a loving mother, sister and friend to the many people who knew her. She enjoyed taking care of her home as well as sewing and quilting. Her number one priority was her family and staying in close contact with them. She loved her church and enjoyed listening to her children and grandchildren sing and play musical instruments. Mary always loved to cook for her family and have them around her, especially every Christmas. The family was always at her house to enjoy dinner and open Christmas presents on Christmas Eve. How gracious was the Lord to let her family all be together on her last Christmas Eve by celebrating her going home to be with Him.



**SISTER EDITH
HATFIELD**

SISTER EDITH HATFIELD

In loving memory we will write the obituary of our mother, Edith Gertrude Hatfield, formerly of McAndrews, KY, who was 84 years old and was called from life June 13th, 2001 at the Ohio Health Care Center, Columbus, Ohio.

She was born July 3rd, 1916 in Phyllis, Kentucky. She was the daughter of the late Mose and Virgie (Kendrick) Thacker. She was retired from the F.W. Woolworth Company, Columbus, Ohio, and was a member of

the Columbus Primitive Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ance Hatfield, an infant son, three sisters, and five brothers. She is survived by son, Howard (Doris) Hatfield of Winchester, KY; daughters, Clara (Cassius) Hatfield of Columbus, Ohio and Connie (William) Rose of Orient, Ohio; 13 grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Sister Hatfield was loved more than words can say and will be missed greatly by her family, many friends, and the Columbus Primitive Baptist Church, but we are thankful to know that our loss is her eternal gain. So sleep on, Sister and Mom, and by the grace of God we will meet again on that great resurrection morning, to live with Jesus forever and ever, where there is no more dying or parting. Amen.

—Written by her Family and Elder Paris Blackburn



LAKIE (SULLIVAN) SMITH

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With loving memories and a broken heart, have written this obituary for my mother, Lakie (Sullivan) Smith.

Lakie was born here in Pike County, Kentucky, on April 7, 1908. It pleased God to call her home peacefully on March 26, 2001, making her stay on earth ninety-two years, eleven months, and twenty-one days.

Mother was the daughter of the late

Pete and Prudy Sullivan.

She was married to Charlie Smith, who preceded her in death on March 25, 1987. They were blessed with six children: Willie Smith and Clifford Smith of Morristown, Tennessee, Estel Smith of Taylor, Michigan, Marie Amburgey of Okeechobee, Florida, Mary Lou Casey of Phelps, Kentucky, and the late James Edward Smith, who preceded her in death on January 10, 1944. She leaves nineteen grandchildren, twenty-one great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild. All of us love and miss her dearly.

Funeral services were held at 11:00 a.m., March 30, 2001, at the Phelps Funeral Services Chapel. Elders Mike Smith, Paul Varney, and Everette Brizendine, as well as Reverend Dewitt Furrow, spoke inspiring words at the service. Burial followed at the Sullivan and Smith family cemetery.

Mother was a member of the Primitive Baptist Church of Phelps, Kentucky, for 45 years. She was baptized by the late Elder Teddy Ball. She loved her church and was strong in faith, believing that Salvation was free by God's Grace.

Mother, you were a loving, precious mother to your family and everyone who knew you. God only knows how your family misses you. We know you are resting now, free from pain and suffering. We take comfort in knowing that our loss is Heaven's gain, and that Mother has simply returned to her rightful home. We also believe that, by the Grace of God, we will be with her and the rest of our departed loved ones again there in Heaven, never to part again.

We love and miss you, Mother.

—Your daughter, Mary Lou Casey



HAZEL MADELINE BOYD

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Through many tears and with a trembling Hand, I sit here trying to write the obituary for my 'Aunt Mackie'. Every person who ever met her possesses a special memory of her. Whether brother, sister, niece, nephew—no matter who it was, there are those special memories. Maybe it was her giving the younguns a pack of Juicy Fruit gum or the fact that you could never

leave without her feeding you something. If anybody ever left her house hungry, it was his or her own fault. One of my most special memories of her is from when I was a small girl. Mama had taken her to town and we went into a store and were looking around. Aunt Mackie took Selena and I to the toy section and helped us pick out something. She bought me a pink teddy bear and Selena a doll that was wearing a purple dress and bonnet. I know that a teddy bear and a doll are very trivial possessions, but they were special because Aunt Mackie helped to pick them out. Now I, along with the rest of the family and many friends, must find a way to say this final goodbye. She was a very special person who loved the mountain and made her home at the old home place from the day she was born until the day that she left this weary life and was welcomed into Jesus' loving arms.

Hazel Madeline Boyd was born into this troublesome world on May 31, 1938, to Francis Marion Fanning Boyd, Jr. and Ethel Faye Jackson Boyd of Boyd Ridge, making her in this world 62 years, 8 months and 26 days. Elders Franklin Viers and Jimmy Moore baptized her into the Primitive Baptist faith on July 23, 1978. She was preceded in death by Grandpa Fanning on February 16, 1972 and Maw Boyd on July 19, 1978. She was also preceded in death by two of her brothers...Teddy Wayne on July 16, 1955 and David Francis on July 22, 1996.

2 brothers survive her: Jennings Boyd and Audrey of Bishop, VA; and Ernest Boyd and Betty of Freeburn, KY. She is also survived by 5 sisters: Mrs. Walter (Martha) May of Freeburn, KY; Ms. Myrtle Boyd of Waldo, Fla; Mrs. Glen (Marie) Charles, Mrs. Kathaleen Lockhart, and Mrs. Robert (Dorothy) Hibbitts, all of Vansant, VA. As well as many nieces and nephews and a countless number of friends. Though we are broken hearted, we take comfort in knowing that she is now with Maw, Grandpa, Uncle David, and Teddy Wayne. Not to mention all of the other loved ones waiting for us on that beautiful shore. In a poem that I wrote for Uncle David, I said that he would be smiling and waiting for us when we cross the sea. I can almost see him there...smiling and waving at Aunt Mackie when he saw her the other day, and the happiness that they shared when they embraced on that heavenly shore. She is there with those who have gone on before, but most importantly... she is at home with our Lord.



BERTHA COLEMAN

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With many fond memories, and sadness, too, I am writing this obituary of my mother-in-law. Bertha Thacker Coleman was the daughter of Elisha and Annie Kendrick Thacker, who preceded her in death many years ago.

Bertha was born September 15, 1911 and passed from this life February 4, 2000. She was 88 years old. "Mamaw," as I always called her, was married to George Jefferson Coleman. He preceded her in death on January 4, 1991. To their union was born one son, Jack Coleman, my husband, whom I loved with all my heart. He also preceded Bertha in death on January 9, 1997.

She leaves to mourn her passing, besides myself, five grandchildren: Michael Coleman, Jeffrey Coleman, Judy Coleman, Susie Mullins and Shelia Thompson; five great-grandchildren: Mandy Coleman, Candi Coleman, Cassie Taylor, Kelly Coleman and Nicky Coleman; four great-great-grandchildren: Caleigh Madison Taylor, Kaleb Bruce Coleman, Mason Blake Coleman and Emily Paige Adkins; one brother, Otto Thacker; and two sisters, Gladys Holt and Essie Jude.

We all loved her and miss her. So rest in peace, Mamaw. We believe you, Papaw and Jack will be reunited in that Heavenly Home.

—Written by Sarah Coleman



EMMA LEE CHANEY

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It is with much sadness that I try to write the obituary of my precious mother. Emma Lee Chaney was born in Pike County, Kentucky on the 29th day of June 1930, until the sad day of her passing on the 28th day of February 2001, making her stay here on earth 70 years, 8 months and 26 days. The daughter of the late Kie and Opal Hylton Anderson of Bowling Fork of

Marrowbone. She had three brothers, Arnold, Eugene (Bud), and Willard Anderson, all of which preceded her in death. She has six sisters living, Loraine (Sis) Younce of Bowling Fork, Hazel Bartley of Pikeville, Nannie McManus of Dayton, Ohio, Gertrude Anderson of Rockhouse, Rosie Tucker of Red Creek, and Betty Parsons of Bowling Fork. She was also preceded in death by two children, an infant son of who was stillborn at birth, and a daughter, Rochelle Chaney, who lived only a few days after birth.

Mom was married to our Daddy, Buster Chaney, on February 20th of 1952. They were married for 49 years just before Mom's passing. They were blessed with seven living children of who was Barbara Bentley of Greasy Creek, Rodney Chaney of Kingston, Tennessee, Roger Chaney of Lower Pompey, Jerry Chaney of Fishtrap Road, Sandra Bentley of Rockhouse, Patricia (Teresa) Hopkins, also of Rockhouse, and Robert Chaney of Lookout.

Mom was a good mother and a good person. She had a hard life, but she didn't let it get her down. She had a long illness with crippling arthritis and other multiple illnesses but she wouldn't give up, she kept going. She had a lot of Faith. She joined the Primitive Baptist Church of Raccoon on February 12, 2001. That was something she had wanted to do for a long time. Mom was much more than just a mother, she was a best friend to us all. She also was a mother-in-law, a grandmother of 16, and a great-grandmother of 9. Our lives will never be whole again without her in it. It will be hard for us to go on without Mom's body in this old world but at least we have our memories of her. And with God's will someday we will be with her again to make better memories, for I believe He has her soul now. I believe she is with God now in that beautiful garden that He is preparing for all his children.

—Written by her loving and broken hearted daughter, Teresa
in memory of my dear sweet Mother

IDA MAE HACKNEY LESTER

Ida Mae Hackney Lester, 75 years of age, of the Home Creek Section of Buchanan County, Grundy, VA, passed away Sunday, August 12, 2001 in the Buchanan General Hospital in Grundy, VA. Born January 7, 1926 in Thacker, WV., she was the daughter of the late Thomas and Matilda Jane Scarberry Hackney. She was a lifelong resident of Buchanan County; 35 year member of the Sulphur Springs Primitive Baptist Church; a loving Wife, Mother,



**IDA MAE HACKNEY
LESTER**

Grandmother, Great-Grandmother and Great-Great-Grandmother. She enjoyed cooking and taking care of all her family.

She is survived by her husband of 60 years, 2 months and 5 days: George Edd Lester of Rt. 1 Grundy, VA; seven Daughters: Mrs. Paul (Florence) Smith of Big Rock, VA, Ms. Edna Lester of Grundy, VA, Mrs. Chester (Ruth) Wolford of Hurley, VA, Mrs. Wayne (Bertie) Hale of Vansant, VA, Mrs. Dale (Nina Jean) Chambers of Shawnee, OK, Mrs. Ida McClanahan of Versailles, MO, and Mrs. David (Edith) McClanahan of Grundy, VA; one son: Herman Lester of Grundy, VA; one sister: Opal Strunk of Monticello, KY; five brothers: Charlie Hackney of Michigan, Lawrence and Jesse Hackney of Ohio, Lacy Hackney of Bristol, VA and Clyde Hackney of Grundy, VA.

She was also survived by 16 grandchildren, including one special granddaughter: Paula Smith; 19 great-grandchildren and one great-great-granddaughter.

She was preceded in death by two brothers: Willie and Carl Hackney.



MARY LOU COLEMAN

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*In memory of my beloved friend,
Mary Coleman*

She was born July 19, 1934 to the late Butler Coleman and Ocie Coleman. She died on March 9, 2000.

*God saw she was getting tired and a
cure was not to be,*

*So He put His arms around her and
whispered, "Come with Me."*

*With tearful eyes we watched her suffer
and fade away.*

*Although we loved her dearly, we could
not make her stay.*

*A golden heart stopped beating,
Hard working hands to rest.
God broke our hearts to prove to us
He only takes the best.*

Deeply missed by everyone, we feel that one day we will see her again in Heaven, where we believe she will meet us with open arms and a smiling face. She may be gone, but will never be forgotten.

—Brenda McIntosh



BERTIE JANE (SCOTT) WARD

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With sad aching hearts and tear filled eyes, we will try to write the obituary of our precious loving mother, mother-in-law, and Grandma, Bertie Ward. She was born the daughter of the late Bert and Elizabeth (Hatfield) Scott on April 19, 1931. She died September 10, 1999 at Pikeville Methodist Hospital, making her stay on earth sixty-eight years, four months and twenty-one days. Mom was laid to rest at the Family Cemetery at Ransom, Ky. on Sept. 13, 1999. Mom was a member of Samaria Primitive

Baptist Church, also of Ransom, Ky.

Mom was preceded in death by her husband of 39 years, Jarvey Ward; two children, Carolyn Sue Ward, and Jarvey Ward Jr.; brother, Elder Teddy Ball; sister, Elzie Mae Ward.

She was survived by two daughters and sons-in-law: Elizabeth and Elder Jeff Dotson, Stella Denise and James Stanley, all of Ransom; two sons and daughters-in-law: Bert Edward and Tavy Ward of Ransom, Terry Joe and Cheryl Ward of Murfreesboro, TN; six grandchildren: Brandy Ward, Bert Ward Jr., Tyler Dotson, Scott Ward, Alex Ward, and Ethan Stanley.

Mother was a kind-hearted and generous person with many friends and loved ones. She found pleasure in her children and grandchildren. We realize now of all the things she must have done without to make sure we were happy and well taken care of. It is so very true, "There is no love like a Mother's love." Writing this is one of the hardest things we have ever tried to do. We could sit

here and write pages and pages of the wonderful things and the memories of her, but putting into words of how our hearts feel is not possible. She is so sadly missed, but we know our loss is Heaven's gain and that she's only gone away to be with a friend. By the Grace and Mercy of our Lord and Savior, we shall all be together one glorious day.

—Written with love by her family



ALICE VARNEY

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In loving memory of Mom,
Alice Varney

She died February 15th, 2001 at 3 a.m. at home. She was born June 24th, 1929 to the late George Slone and Amanda Honaker Slone. She was married to Lura Varney who preceded her in death. She was also preceded in death by six sisters. Mom became a member of the Primitive Baptist Faith July 11th, 1953.

She is survived by two daughters, Levonnie (Bonnie) Childers and Judy Chapman; two grandchildren, Greg Childers and Melany Chapman; one sister, Bertha Maynard; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, and friends. We will all miss her greatly.



**KATHERINE
COLEMAN**

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With sad hearts we write the obituary of our dear Mamaw. Katherine Coleman passed from this life August 25, 2001. She was born April 2, 1909, making her stay on this earth 92 years 4 months and 23 days. She was united with the Johns Creek Primitive Baptist Church on October 12, 1938.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 61 years, Miles Coleman, and one son, Earl Coleman. She was also preceded in death by her mother,

Annie (Hess) Smith; her dad, Floyd Smith; son-in-laws, Andy and Dave Hunt; brothers, Noah, Elcanie, and Charlie Smith; sisters, Ora Hunt and Pinkie May.

Katherine is survived by one brother, Emzy Smith of Kimper KY; her children, Burlin and Jean Coleman of Pikeville KY, Zettie Hunt of Kimper, KY, Nora Hunt of Kimper, KY, Amos and Sue Coleman of Kimper, KY, and Mabel and Harold Blackburn of Fenton, Michigan.

Mamaw also leaves 13 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren, 4 great-grandchildren, a multitude of nieces and nephews, friends and loved ones.

When God gave us a mother, grandmother, a great-grandmother, a great-great-grandmother, and a wonderful friend, He gave us Mamaw Coleman, the most precious gift of nature we could ever have. So when you think of Mamaw Coleman, think of the Love in her heart, the Joy in her touch, and the Smiles on her face.

Mamaw leaves behind many wonderful memories and examples of how she loved and cared for all those around her. The labor of love she so joyfully set forth in caring for Papaw prior to his death, her works and efforts caring for the church, and how she welcomed and cared for all those who came around her. All of her walks we will remember with joy in our hearts. We will miss her here, but thankfully we believe we will see her again.

Time cannot erase the memories, but may God give us strength to go on without her presence.

—Written in love by her Grandchildren



**GERTRUDE ESTELL
STREET CHURCH**

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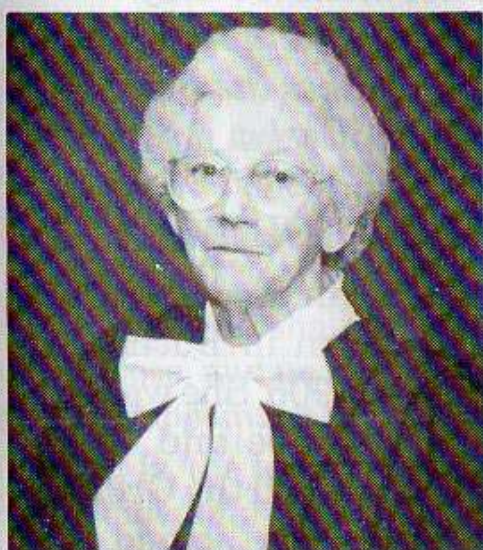
As I try to write the obituary of our dear, sweet and loving mother, my heart is very sad and empty for her love. My mother, Gertrude Estell Street Church, 84, was born in Buchanan County, VA on June 14, 1916. She passed away on July 25, 2000 in Mobile Infirmary Hospital in Mobile, Alabama. She was the daughter of James and Patty Street. She was preceded in death also by her husband William

Claude Church, who passed away November 12, 1989 in Lebanon, VA hospital.

Survivors include: one brother, Joe Street of Vansant, VA; two sisters, Linnie Looney of Spartenburg, SC, and Birthie Shatridge of Oakwood, VA; one son, Ernest Claude Church of Deskins, VA; two daughters, Marie Matney of Grundy, VA, and Esteen Langele of Mobile, AL; two step-sons, Willard Church and Thomas Church, both of Man, WVa.; 11 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

She was a long time member of the Dry Fork Primitive Baptist Church. We miss our darling Mother and Daddy. Until Jesus comes to take us all home, sleep, darling Mother, sleep.

—Written by her daughter Esteen



ELSIE CONN SMITH

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Elsie Conn Smith, born April 22, 1919, was the daughter of the late Joe Conn and Mary Dotson Conn. She was a life long resident of Hurley, Va. She was a graduate of Grundy Presbyterian School and a retired Postmistress of the Kelsa Post Office where she worked 19 years.

She was a loving mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. Her whole life was dedicated to God. She joined the Sulphur Springs Primitive Baptist Church in March 1950 and was baptized in April 1950. She was a faithful member until her death, March 12, 2001.

She married William Smith on Dec. 23, 1933, and to this union was born six children. Survivors include two sons: Willis and Buford Smith of Hurley, Va; four daughters: Helen of Grundy, Va., Evelyn of Hurley, Va., Janice of Pearisburg, Va., and Irene of Cedar Buff, Va.; three sisters: Jean Ganz, Hazel Eades, and Pearl Powell; one brother: Joe Conn, Jr.; seven granddaughters and six grandsons. She is also survived by twenty-two great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandson.

Funeral services were held March 15, 2001 at the Shortridge-Ramey Funeral Home Chapel with Elders Jimmie Smith, Paul Smith, Elmer Brown and Everett Brizendine officiating with burial in the Mountain Valley Memorial Park at Big Rock, Va.

Mother loved to attend church and God blessed her to shout and praise His name and receive a great blessing every time she attended the meetings. There is a vacant seat at church that can never be filled like the vacant spot in our hearts.

Mother was loved by everyone whose lives she touched. She always had a kind word for everyone and a smile on her face. Mom's home was always a sanctuary for those in need of a hot meal or a place to spend the night.

This poem sums up how we feel today:

*God saw she was getting tired, and a cure was not to be,
So He put His arms around her and whispered, "Come with Me."
With tearful eyes we watched her suffer, and saw her fade away.
Although we loved her dearly, we could not make her stay.
A golden heart stopped beating, hard working hands to rest.
God broke our hearts to prove to us, He only takes the Best!*

—Written with Love by her daughters: Helen, Evelyn and Irene



**DELSA CONN
COLEMAN**

DELSA CONN COLEMAN

Delsa Conn Coleman died Tuesday, February 6, 2001. Born in Buchanan County, November 6, 1906. She was the daughter of the late Joe and Mary Dotson Conn. She attended the Grundy Presbyterian School. She joined the Sulfur Springs Primitive Baptist Church of Paw Paw.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, William Anthony Coleman; one son, William Anthony, Jr.; one daughter Ann; two brothers and three sisters.

She is survived by three sons, Benny, Bobby and Douglas; four sisters, Elsie Smith, Hazel Eades, Pearl Powell and Jean Gantz; one brother, Joe Conn, Jr.; 18 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and 12 great-great-grandchildren.

Services were held February 8, 2001 at Ramey-Shortridge Funeral Home Chapel with Elders Elmer Brown and Jimmie Smith officiating. Burial followed in Mountain Valley Memorial Park at Big Rock, Va.

*Lift is the seasons
 Each one its changes bring
 A fertile seed takes root and grows.
 Thus youth is like the Spring
 Maturity comes in Summer as we work and play and sing
 In Fall we gather harvest from the seeds we sowed
 And then, alas, too soon it's Winter
 And our eyes have grown quite dim.
 Have faith, no need to worry
 Tis not the end of everything
 For our souls will be returned again To Heaven,
 Where God is King*

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 and 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 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 Secretary 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 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 rife 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 fullness, 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 sovereign, free and unmerited grace of God.

5. We believe the atonement 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 eternal, 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. The Association shall have a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk and Assistant Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrage of the messengers present, and that by secret ballot.

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 Association 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 appellation but the title of "Brother."

10. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member in a speech or prohibit him from speaking until he give his light on the subject, except they break the Rules of Decorum.

11. Names of 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 willfully or knowingly break any of these rules shall be reprovved 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 the 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.

STATISTICAL ANALYSIS OF THE ORIGINAL MATES CREEK REGULAR PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION											2001
CHURCHES	CLERKS	RECEIVED BY BAPTISM	RECEIVED BY LETTER	RECEIVED BY RELATION	RESTORED	DISMISSED BY LETTER	EXCLUDED	DIED	TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	SATURDAY OF MEETING	Contributions of each Church
Louisa	Bradley Worrix, Jr.	0	0	0	0	7	6	5	80	2	\$125.00
Old Pond	Shelby Jean Hill	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	60	2	120.00
Big Creek	Michael Elswick	4	1	0	0	0	8	1	65	3	125.00
Raccoon	Timothy Coleman	2	4	0	0	0	0	1	74	4	200.00
Peter Creek	Randy Smith	4	0	0	0	2	0	2	101	4	135.00
Sulphur Springs	Ronald Moore	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	44	1	70.00
Little Hope	Frank Ball	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	31	1	80.00
Grapevine	Olen J. May	1	2	0	0	0	2	1	23	3	60.00
Samaria	Leslie D. Hatfield	7	2	0	0	2	2	1	169	3	150.00
Little Union	Ernest Blair								10	1	0.00
Johns Creek	Carl Coleman	0	0	0	2	1	1	2	30	2	100.00
Calvary	Andrew Hunt	1	0	0	0	0	2	1	39	1	100.00
Dry Fork	Ruth Maynard	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	56	2	120.00
Friendship	Martin Childers	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	21	4	20.00
Columbus	Sandra Harris	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	85	4	120.00
Deerfield	Barbara Holyfield	5	0	0	0	1	0	3	45	4	125.00
Pleasant Hill	Ann Barton	0	3	0	1	0	0	1	38	1	60.00
New Hope	William Dotson	1	0	0	1	0	4	0	16	4	50.00
18	TOTALS	31	14	0	4	15	27	28	987		\$1,760.00

person who speaks before us as to make remarks on his life, failings and imperfections, but fairly state the case and matter as he can to convey his views.

8. No person shall rise and speak more than three times on any subject and must identify himself from the beginning.

9. No person shall speak more than once on any subject without permission.

10. No member of the Association shall speak more than once on any subject without permission.

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12. The Moderator shall have the right to suspend any member from the Association for any cause.

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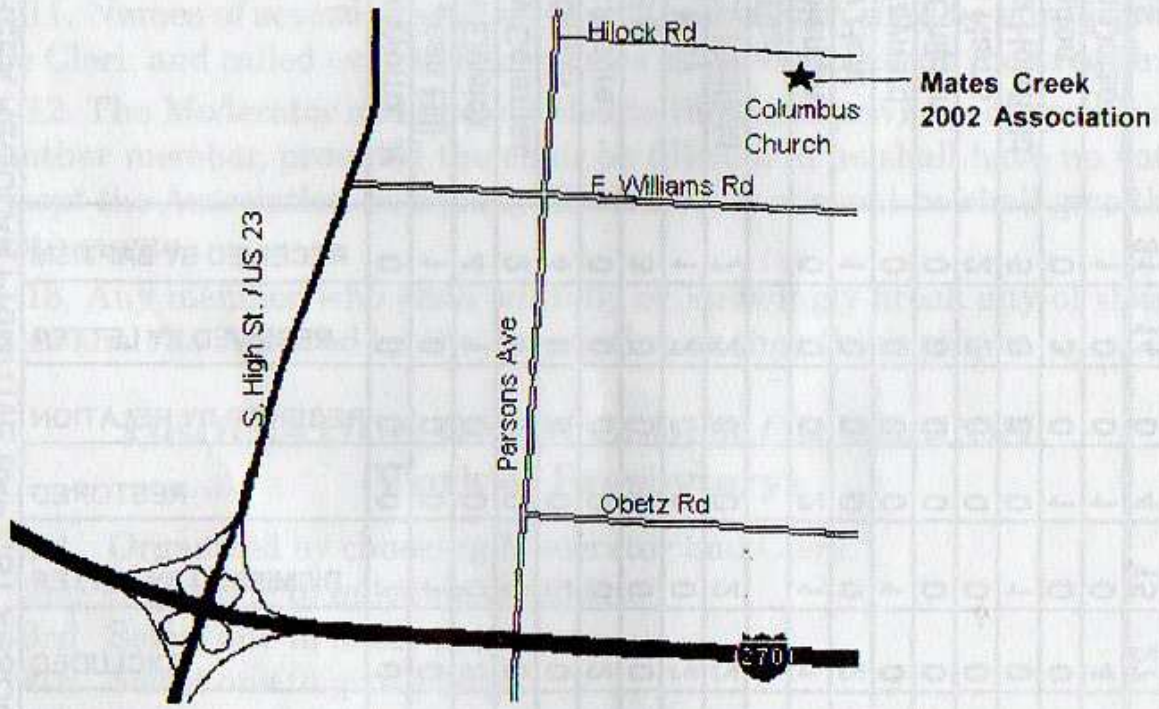
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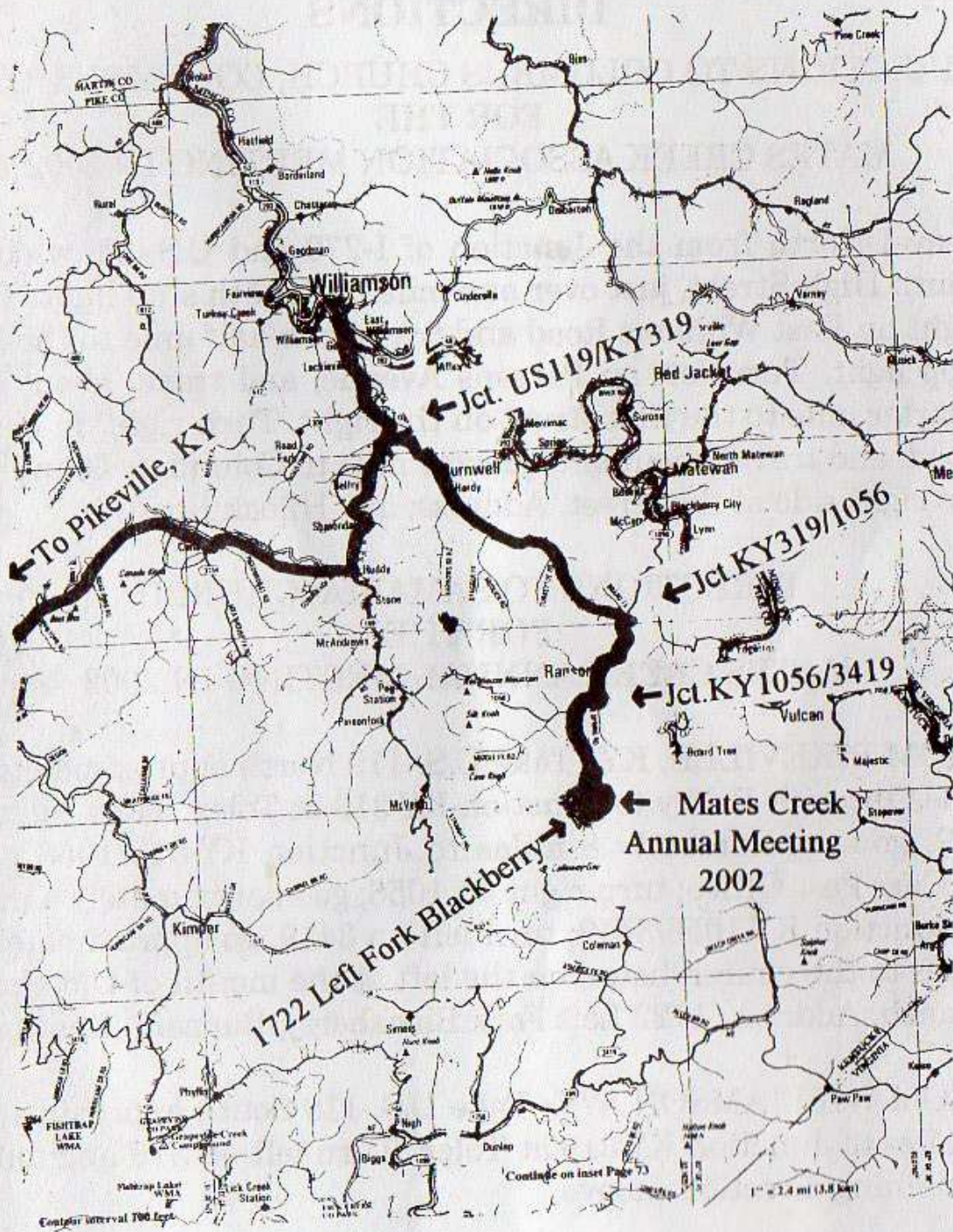
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DIRECTIONS

DIRECTIONS TO COLUMBUS CHURCH, COLUMBUS, OHIO FOR THE MATES CREEK ASSOCIATION MEETING IN 2002

Travel North from the Junction of I-270 and U.S.-23, which is South High Street, just over one mile to the 5th stop light. Turn right on East Williams Road and travel one/half mile to the first stop light. Turn left on Parsons Avenue, and travel about one/quarter mile to the first street on the right. Turn right on Hilock Road, and travel about one/quarter mile to Columbus Church on the right side of the street. Address: 599 Hilock Road.

DIRECTIONS TO SAMARIA CHURCH FOR THE MATES CREEK ANNUAL MEETING IN 2002

FROM PIKEVILLE, KY.: Take U.S.-119 North approximately 25 miles through Belfry to Junction KY-319 at Toler; Turn right on 319, go approximately 8 miles to Junction KY-319/1056 near McCarr Post Office; turn right on 1056, go approximately 4 miles to Junction KY-1056/3419; turn left on 3419, go approximately 2 miles to the church house on the left at the mouth of Old House Branch. Address: 1722 Left Fork Blackberry, Ransom, Kentucky.

FROM WILLIAMSON, WV.: Take U.S.-119 South approximately 4 miles to Junction KY-319 at Toler; Turn left on 319 and follow remaining directions above.

