



Mr. David Wendell Black

September 24, 1937 - January 2, 2017

David Wendell Black, 79 of Arab Alabama, died Monday, January 2, 2017 at Marshall Medical Center North.

Mr. Black was born September 24, 1937 in Blount County Alabama to Dallas W. Black and Claudia Phillips Black. He served in the U.S. Army and retired from Civil Service where he worked as a procurement clerk. Mr. Black was married to the former Doris Rebecca Bright for 56 years. He loved music and playing the fiddle. He played at various events and with his group the Golden Strings. His last performance was at Arab First Baptist Church this past December during their Christmas program.

He was a member of Sweet Home Baptist Church.

Mr. Black is survived by his wife of 56 years: Doris B. Black; a sister: Sue Borden; step brothers and step sisters-in-law: Clarence and Jan Bagwell and J.D. and Sandra Bagwell; step sister and step brother-in-law: Martha and O'Neal Kelley. He was preceded in death by his parents: Dallas and Claudia Black; his sisters: Maxine Maze, Royce Dean Maze and Hazel Haney; step sisters: Iva Bagwell, Doris Holaway, Melba Ruth Bodine and Mary Smith.

Funeral service will be 2:00 p.m. Thursday January 5, 2017 at Sweet Home Baptist Church with Brothers: Ryan Childers and Tim Lynch, officiating. Burial will be in Brookwood Cemetery with Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel, directing.

Pallbearers will be Richard Maze, Larry Haney, Lanny Haney, Rickey Berry, Faron Hollaway, Jim Dunnagan, Clint Maze and Johnny Chamness.

Visitation will be 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Wednesday January 5, 2017 at Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel. He will also lie-in-state at Sweet Home Baptist Church from 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. prior to the service.

Cemetery Details

Brookwood Cemetery

2059 Old Guntersville Road
Arab, AL 35016

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 4. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel
1340 North Main Street
Arab, AL 35016
(256) 586-4100

Lie-In-State

JAN 5. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Sweet Home Baptist Church
1474 Union Grove Road
Guntersville, AL 35976

Service

JAN 5. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Mr Black was wonderful man and a fiddle player. Sorry we didn't know it till tonight. So sorry.*



Charles Hasting - January 05, 2017 at 06:52 PM

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“ *Melody Wilks Lusk lit a candle in memory of Mr. David Wendell Black*



Melody Wilks Lusk - January 04, 2017 at 01:25 PM

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“ *What a beautiful soul....David was so encouraging to me as I began learning to play the fiddle. I was 30 years old and very shy to play for anyone, even my own family members. David shared his collection of fiddle tapes and albums with me and invited me to join him and friends to play at the local nursing home. I probably would never have dared to play if David had not encouraged me so kindly. I always loved to hear him play and enjoyed playing twin fiddle harmony with him.*

Now, I volunteer twice a month to play for residents near my home.....I am so thankful to have known him. My life is much richer because of this friendship.

*My prayers are with Doris and the family,
Rhonda Beam Kelley*

Rhonda Beam Kelley - January 03, 2017 at 08:17 PM