



Willie Edgar "Bill" Clark

June 12, 1920 - May 13, 2011

Mr. Willie Edgar "Bill" Clark told his LORD "good Morning", on Friday, May 13, 2011.

Mr. Clark is survived by his loving wife of 68 years, Flora Weathers Clark, daughter, Debbie C. Babcock, son, Stanley Ray Clark, daughter-in-law- Marilyn Lipscomb Clark, one granddaughter- Lynnley Clark, a sister – Idella Hughes, and 41 nieces and nephews.

Mr. Clark was preceded in death by his son- Ronald "Tex" Clark, his grandson, William Lloyd Clark, his parents, Raymond and Etta Mae Ward Clark, his siblings, Arlin Clark, Elbert Clark, Rosa Clark, John Clark, Lee Morrow, Lewis Clark, Louise Allen, Ola Clark, Dora Turner and Arilla Johnson.

Mr. Clark was the oldest member of Ai Baptist Church. Ai Baptist Church bears much evidence of his talents as a builder.

Mr. Clark built churches for the United Methodist Church Council of Atlanta, Georgia. He built churches in Georgia and Atlanta and Cedartown; in North Carolina at Greensboro, Thomasville, Durham, High Point, Parris; in Tennessee at Chattanooga, Memphis, Nashville, Pittman Center in Gatlinburg; in Mississippi at Chapel, Winona, Laurel, Biloxi; in New Orleans, Louisiana; in Panama City, Florida; in Wilmington, Delaware; in Alabama at Ft. Morgan, Mobile; and he remodeled numerous churches in Calhoun and Cleburne Counties. He enjoyed working on the eight sided steeples and he would go back at night to hand rub and varnish the altars of all the churches he built. His standard of excellence in workmanship was highly respected by his peers. Mr.

Clark left the Church Council and moved back to Alabama so that his children could attend school and be near family. He built the house that he and his precious family lived on and would call Oxford his home for over 60 years. This dedicated family man with his twinkling blue eyes treasured and cherished his wife Flora, and his children.

He loved family, friends, quality workmanship, laughter, John Deere tractors, Chevrolet trucks, good food, fellowship, visiting and helping those in need and gave his last witness about his Jesus to his ICU doctor. The song he sang repeatedly over the last few days was This Little Light of Mine. Mr. Clark not only built churches, homes and offices, it was his habit to built up people, never tearing down anyone, but constantly encouraging each and everyone he met.

His going home Celebration Services will be as follows : Visitation will be Sunday, from 6 till 8 PM at Miller Funeral Home in Oxford. Services will continue at Ai Baptist Church in Cleburne County on Monday, at 3:00 PM with burial to follow at the Ai Cemetery. Mr. Clark will lie in state one hour before the service at the church. Ministers are Rev. Buford Gaines, Rev. Chester Pesnell, Rev. Charles Wright, Rev. Clearence Bright and Rev. Donald Leggett. Pallbearers will be David Weathers, Gary Cheatwood, Brent Taylor, DeWayne Edwards, Bobby Bright, Shane Leggett, Richard Gentry and Coe Thompson. Dear friends serving as Honorary Pallbearers will be Henry Britt, Jimmy Loveless, James Howard, Lloyd "Red" Watkins, Bobby Lipscomb, Homer Wysner, Ricky Caldwell, Donald Spradlin and Dr. Michael Hanna.

There are no words to describe how much his honorable, hardworking, dedicated, delightful, loving man will be missed.