



Willie "Bill" Joe Murphree

January 29, 1932 - February 3, 2011

Norris, SC—Willie Joe “Bill” Murphree, 79, of 413 Norris Highway, Norris, SC, husband of the late Alice Erhline Henson Murphree, died Thursday, February 3, 2011, at Greenville Memorial Hospital.

A native of Salem, SC, Mr. Murphree was the son of the late William Samuel and Amanda Josephine Barker Murphree. He was retired from Libco Mills and was a member of Stamp Creek Baptist Church. Mr. Murphree was a charter member and past Fire Chief of Norris Volunteer Fire Department.

Mr. Murphree is survived by daughter, Melissa (Lisa) Routh and husband, Gary of Sandy, UT; brother, Davis Ray Murphree and wife, Sarah of Salem; sisters, Lucille Lee of Seneca and Blanche Smith of Salem; and grandchildren, Vanessa and Kelsey Routh.

In addition to his wife and parents, Mr. Murphree was predeceased by brother, Thomas Murphree and sister, Esther Murphree.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2:00 p.m., Sunday, February 6, 2011, from the Chapel of Davenport Funeral Home, Walhalla, with burial to follow in Stamp Creek Baptist Church Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 6:00-8:00 p.m., Saturday, February 5, 2011

at the funeral home.

Flowers are accepted or memorials may be made to Stamp Creek Baptist Church, 250 Shallowford Road, Salem, SC 29676 or Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, Western Carolina Chapter, 37 Villa Road, #109, Greenville, SC 29615.

Tribute Wall



“ Willie "Bill" Joe Murphree

January 28, 2023 at 01:03 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Bill was always such a joy to be around. He will truly be missed by everyone that knew him. Our comfort is that we will meet again someday soon. Love you all.##imported-begin##Billy, Ralph, and Lady Bug Ni##imported-end##

February 08, 2011 at 10:31 AM



“ Lisa, my sincere sympathy is extended to you and your family in the recent loss of your dad. For many, many years I prepared your parents' income taxes, and both your parents were the sweetest and most kind couple I've known. Each year I looked forward to them coming by. They always caught me up on what had been going on the past year with them and with you and your family. They were proud parents and grandparents. May God comfort you in the days ahead as you cherish the fond memories of both your parents.##imported-begin##Elaine Adams##imported-end##

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“ Our thoughts & prayers are with you all. Mr. Bill will be missed dearly at Church. What a sweet man he was, but what a blessing it is to know he is now rejoicing up in heaven! Love always, Joe, Lisa, Hope, Amie, & Tyler Price##imported-begin##Lisa and Joe Price##imported-end##

February 05, 2011 at 11:58 PM



“ *##imported-begin##Elaine Adams##imported-end##*

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“ *It was an honor to know you and a privilege to serve on the Norris Fire Department with you. You are going to be missed in Norris. Tommy Davis##imported-begin##Tommy Davis##imported-end##*

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“ *Sweet sweet family.....our hearts are so sad in our having to give up Bill from this life. Knowing that he is with our Lord and Savior and precious Erhline and all of his other loved ones makes the loss easier to bear but he is surely going to be missed by all of us at Stamp Creek, his friends, and everyone that knew this dear man.*

I am so glad he enjoyed the fantastic 79th birthday celebration before he went to his homegoing. We love you all more than words can express.##imported-begin##Glenn and Jan Price##imported-end##

February 05, 2011 at 08:18 AM



“ *I am painfully aware that words alone will not take away the grief and sorrow we feel when we lose those we love. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family, in their time of grief. I have known Bill my entire life. He was a "salt of the Earth" man that came from a Christian family, and his entire life reflected those values. He will be sorely missed! Rod & Katherine Albertson##imported-begin##Rod Albertson##imported-end##*

February 04, 2011 at 08:04 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. May the words in Isaiah 25:8 give you hope and comfort.##imported-begin##Barb & Tom Layton##imported-end##*

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