



E. L. Sneed

March 25, 1920 - May 15, 2010

ADRIAN – Rev. E. L. Sneed, age 90, of Adrian, went to be with The Lord, Saturday, May 15, 2010 at Bixby Medical Center.

E. L. was born March 25, 1920, in Erwin, Tennessee, the son of Alfred T. and Bettie (Pate) Sneed. On October 8, 1942, he married Melba B. Jones in Tennessee. Melba, his wife of over 67 years, survives.

Rev. Sneed pastored the Adrian Free Will Baptist Church and later, the Lenawee Free Will Baptist Church. While serving as pastor, he also worked for Stubnitz Greene, Plymouth Tube, and then Cargotainer, where he retired in 1982. He was a member of the First Free Will Baptist Church and was also instrumental in establishing several other churches in the area.

E. L. gave his heart to Jesus Christ in 1947. He spent the next 63 years telling people about his Savior, even during his final days in Bixby Medical Center. He was a wonderful husband, dad, grandpa and pappaw. He lead untold numbers of people to faith in Christ, but his most powerful sermon was the life he lived in front of us.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two sons, Larry (Frances) Sneed of Tecumseh, and Dan (Betty) Sneed of Ypsilanti; four grandchildren, Christy (Howard) Crick, Nicholas (Renae) Sneed, Bruce (Rebecca) Sneed, and Carrie

(Jason) Ekle; five great grandchildren, Zachary Waters, Kyle and Allyson Sneed, Kaylynn Sneed, and Austin Ekle; and a brother, Maurice (Juanita) Sneed of Erwin, TN.

He was preceded in death by two sisters and seven brothers.

The funeral service for Rev. Sneed will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 20, 2010 at Wagley Funeral Home with Pastor Darrell Hyder officiating. Burial will follow at Lenawee Hills Memorial Park. Visitation will be held at the funeral home on Wednesday from 4 to 8 p.m. Condolences are welcome at www.wagleyfuneralhome.com. Contributions in memory of Rev. Sneed may be made to the First Free Will Baptist Church or his family. Envelopes are available at Wagley Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall



“ *E. L. Sneed*

January 28, 2023 at 12:24 PM



“ *Dan, you and your family are very much in my family's thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Your father certainly seemed to be a wonderful person during his time here on earth, and I'm sure he is rejoicing in the presence of his Savior now. May God comfort you and your extended family during this time.##imported-begin##Bill Pinard##imported-end##*

May 19, 2010 at 05:40 PM



“ *What a great man and life he lived, our condolences to the family.
Rick Byrd
(Drummer for The Graceways)##imported-begin##Ricky Byrd##imported-end##*

May 19, 2010 at 05:03 PM



“ *Dear Mrs. Sneed I will always cherish the church services that we shared with you and Mr Sneed. There is no doubt that Jesus was waiting with open arms and i can't wait for his coming again for me or for all of us at once. in JESUS name Hollis "hoss" byrd.##imported-begin##Hollis & Mary byrd (hoss bass singer of graceway,s)##imported-end##*

May 19, 2010 at 11:28 AM



“ Dear Melba, and family. We send our Heart felt Sympathy, Love & Prayers in this time of Bereavement.
May the Good Lord be with you all.
Love,
Brother David, & Theresa.##imported-begin##David & Theresa Jones##imported-end##

May 19, 2010 at 11:18 AM



“ Br. Sneed was always special to me! I first met him and Sr. Sneed at The First Church of God on Summit Street where my uncle Vance Miller was the pastor. This was oh so many years ago, but yet seems like just yesterday. I would always make it a point to stop and talk to them when I saw them out shopping. I will miss seeing him but now he is safe in the presence of his God and Savior Jesus Christ,##imported-begin##Yvonne (Baughey) Johnson##imported-end##

May 19, 2010 at 10:13 AM



“ Larry & Dan,

I remember when my dad passed away almost ten years ago. I felt such a sense of destiny, like the mantle was passed on to me to carry before my children and their children. Perhaps, the greatest thing we will ever leave to our family is not in a Will but in a Legacy-a godly legacy. The God of comfort and peace strengthen your spirit, soul and body. The funeral is a CELEBRATION of going from one life to an eternal (much better) life. We do have HOPE! You are loved.

*Blessings,
Ron & Gin Sparks###imported-begin##Pastor Ron Sparks###imported-end##*

May 19, 2010 at 08:05 AM



“ We know this is a bitter-sweet time for all of you. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers. We love you so much. Sherrie and Jerry###imported-begin## Rev. Jerry and Sherrie Lacey###imported-end##

May 18, 2010 at 11:11 PM



“ Melba, Larry, and Danny,
I was deeply saddened to hear about the death of E.L. I know this is a difficult time for you_please know that you will be in my thoughts and prayers today, and the weeks to come.
~Sharron (Byrd) Patterson~###imported-begin###Sharron (Byrd) Patterson###imported-end###

May 18, 2010 at 09:16 PM



“ Larry, So sorry to hear about the passing of your father. You and your family have my deepest sympathy. God Bless you all.###imported-begin###Rose Vajcner###imported-end###

May 18, 2010 at 04:33 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers go out for you and your family in this great time of loses. We must remember the good times to get us through until we are reunited again.###imported-begin###Casey Harris###imported-end###

May 18, 2010 at 02:42 PM



“ Thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. There will always be the fond memories from years past.###imported-begin###Louise Foster Beadles###imported-end###

May 18, 2010 at 12:58 PM



“ Larry, you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.###imported-begin###Angie Seiser###imported-end###

May 18, 2010 at 12:15 PM



“ Larry, we are thinking about you and your family at this difficult time. Our thoughts and Prayers are with you...

Chairty

Tammy

Judy###imported-begin##Devlis Lake Office (UBT)##imported-end##

May 18, 2010 at 11:57 AM



“ Dear Aunt Melba and Family,
We are so sorry to hear of Uncle E.L.'s passing; however, we do know he has already begun his new life with Christ. Please know we are thinking of you and are so very sorry we cannot be there with you. God will give you the strength you need to get through this difficult time in your life. Just think what a wonderful homecoming it must have been for Uncle E.L. when mom and dad were there to greet him!!

Love you!###imported-begin##Cindy Hill & Gail Powers##imported-end##

May 18, 2010 at 09:30 AM



“ We are so very sorry and wish we could be there with you. We will be praying for all the family.###imported-begin##Aunt Betty, Aunt Dink and Shelia##imported-end##

May 18, 2010 at 08:15 AM