



Ralph Redman

August 31, 1912 - December 25, 2005

OBITUARY

RALPH REDMAN

Ralph Redman, son of William (Bill) and Maude Strader Redman, was born on August 31, 1912 in the Mitchell Campground area of Polk County, MO, and departed this life on December 25, 2005 at the age of 93 years, 3 Months, 25 days.

He was saved at the age of 19, at Campbell Grove Missionary Baptist Church. On December 10, 1933, he married Opha Hensley, who preceded him in death in 1992. To this union was born five children, June, Fern, Donald, Ann and Jim.

In the early 40s God spoke to Ralph and called him to preach. He was ordained by Campbell Grove Church and pastored many area churches. He loved the Bible and spent many hours discussing it and teaching it. He was always ready to pray for a lost soul. He stood to preach for the last time, two weeks before his death, at his home church, Campbell Grove. At the time of his death he was the oldest ordained minister in the Polk County Baptist Association.

He loved his church family and they loved and cared for him with great love until the end.

In 2002, because of failing health, he moved into Butterfield Residential Care Facility, where he met Norma Miller. On August 10, 2003, they were married. Norma stayed by his side, caring for him and bringing happiness into his life for his remaining time here.

Ralph was a Master Horseman and was well known for knowledge of training horses, shoeing them, and treating sick horses. You could always spot Ralph on a horse by the way he sat straight in the saddle, with his hat Just Right. Ralph had a great love for people and always had friends surrounding him. Each of his children sat on his lap and was fed from his plate, from the time they were 2 or 3 days old. All of his grandchildren thought setting on grandpas lap to eat dinner was the biggest treat they could have.

He leaves to mourn his passing, his wife Norma, two sons, Donald Redman and Chris of Brighton, MO; Jim Redman and wife Liz of Fair Play, MO; three daughters, June Stephens of Ellinwood, KS; Fern Carpenter and husband Bub of Willard, MO; and Ann Sprague and husband Joe of Pittsburg, MO. Also three step daughters, Linda Claunch and husband Robert of Halfway, MO; Cinda Copeland and husband Johnny of Ash Grove, MO; and Stacy Hanson and husband Bill of Foley, AL. His 9 grandchildren, Joe Carpenter, Debbie Williams, Rita Orndoff, Sheila Hacker, Mike Redman, Terry McGuire, Chris Sprague, Dustin Redman and Justin Redman. Also 4 step-grandchildren, 14 great grandchildren, 3 great great grandchildren. His sister, Anna Greer of Goodson, MO; his brother, Earl Redman of Bolivar, and two sisters-in-law Mary Childress and Pauline Hensley both of Bolivar. Many nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Bill and Maude Redman, his first wife Opha, his grandson Tyke Redman, 3 brothers, Robert, Loren, Wallace, 3 sisters, Inez Redman, Josie Slagle, and Wilma Ruth Harralson.

Ralph will be sadly missed, but he often spoke of Crossing Jordan and was so tired and ready to make the crossing.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, December 29, 2005 at 10:00 AM in the Butler Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Norman Highley officiating. Music will be provided by the Krtek Family. Burial will be in the Enon Cemetery southwest of Bolivar under the direction of the Butler Funeral Home of Bolivar. Casketbearers will be Joe Carpenter, Mike Redman, Chris Sprague, Dustin Redman, Justin Redman, and Jim Hacker. Honorary casketbearers will be Jim Tennis, and Richard Lowry.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Campbell Grove Missionary Baptist Church % Butler Funeral Home, P.O Box 11, Bolivar, MO 65613.

Friends may sign the guest book or send private condolences at www.butlerfuneralhome.com.

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Tribute Wall



“ *Ralph Redman*

October 05, 2023 at 05:18 AM



“ *Ralph Redman*

January 26, 2023 at 04:15 PM



“ *Dear Loved ones of Ralph,
How sad a day it is for us all, Ralph will be greatly missed. His love and guidance to so many would hold volumes of pages if it were to be told. He was truly a great Christian example. My condolences to the family. May he always shine in heaven.
Beverly*

Beverly Sikes Matthews - December 29, 2005 at 12:00 AM