

Home Going Celebration
for
Mr. James Russell Gwyn



SUNRISE
April 10, 1928
Surry County

SUNSET
September 15, 2005
Surry County

Tuesday, September 20, 2005
Two o'clock

Zion Baptist Church
Mount Airy, North Carolina

Interment
Skyline Memory Gardens
Mount Airy, North Carolina

Reverend John H. Cornelius, *Pastor/Eulogist*
Deacon Cornelius King, *Officiating*

ORDER OF SERVICE

Processional	(People Standing)	
Selection		St. Paul Choir
Scripture	Old Testament	Guest Minister
	New Testament	Guest Minister
Selection		St. Paul Choir
Acknowledgements		Sister Cynthia Cornelius
Church Resolution		
Obituary		Sister Shelby King
Solo		Minister Alice Hickman
Family and Friends Reflections		Patricia Mabry, Deacon King Alexandria Carter
Selection		St. Paul Choir
Eulogy		Reverend John H. Cornelius
Recessional	(People Standing)	
Benediction		
Interment		Mountain View Cemetery Mount Airy, NC
Military Rites		FWF Post# 2019
The Final Flight		Spencer Funeral Home Staff

FLOWER BEARERS

Lannie Edwards	Deon Dodd
Lisa McMillian	Regina Jones
Wilhelmino Williams	Janice Gaither

CASKET BEARERS

Nephews, Grandsons and Friends

HONORARY BEARERS

Paul Rawley	Walter Allen
Raymond Smith	Cornelius King

Professional Services Directed by

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THE OBITUARY

Mr. James Russell Gwyn 77, of 170 Gordon Street, Mount Airy, NC. He was born to the late Arthur Gwyn and Carrie Smith Gwyn on April 10, 1928 in Surry County. Russell and Arlee were married for 53 years of marriage. Russell was a humble person, always had a smile and a kind word to say. He really enjoyed fishing. He loved his wife and children and especially his grandchildren. He was a member of Zion Baptist Church. Russell was a retired Supervisor from the NC Granite Quarry, Mount Airy, NC. He passed away on Thursday night at his residence. Five brothers Grover Gwyn, Hillary Gwyn, Daniel Gwyn, Reverend Melvin Gwyn and Paul Gwyn preceded him in death. He is survived by his wife Arlee S. Gwyn of the home; three daughters Patricia Mabry of Atlanta, GA; Teresa (Wayne) Dawson of Atlanta, GA and Dedria Brown of Mount Airy, NC; three grandsons Bryant Mabry, Michael Mabry both of Atlanta, GA and Chad Brown of Burlington, NC; one granddaughter Victoria Simmons of Atlanta, GA; four sisters Catherine Cobbs of Atlanta, GA, Mollie Mitchell, Mary (John) Gilliam both of Tacoma Washington, Rachel Carter of Mount Airy, NC; two brothers Joseph (Mel) Gwyn of San Diego, CA, David (Betty) Gwyn of Wilmington, DE, Reverend Jerry Gwyn of Tacoma, Washington; sister-in-law Virginia Gwyn of Mount Airy, NC; devoted nephew and niece Raymond and Earlene Smith; one sister Cora Smith; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

LOVE LIVES ON

Loves lives on

*It broke our hearts to let you go
Your memory is our keepsake
With which we'll never part.
But you did not go alone
For part of us went with you
The day God called you home
He has you in His keeping
But we have you in our hearts.*

*I have finished now with this house of clay,
Please kindly and gently lay it away;
And let me rest from this life of pain,
Toiling in sunshine, storm and rain;
Trying to help the sick and poor,
and turning no needy from my door.
I have started to do my Master's work
Never a duty did I shirk;
Many times I was misunderstood
When I had done the best I could.*

*I am tired now, so let me rest.
Don't cry, don't you know God knows best?
Please, no sad hearts, no hung down heads,
Don't weep for me for
I AM NOT DEAD.*

*I have another house you know,
Where God's redeemed can go;
I do not need this house of clay,
So tenderly, carefully, lay it away.*



Thank You

*The flower that you sent that day,
The card you mailed along the way,
The service you stopped by to render,
The gift you brought with thought so tender.
The prayers you said which played a part,
In easing the pain that was in our hearts,
Each helped us to find that strength to bear,
The loss of the one we held so dear.
It was to us a great comfort indeed,
To see you in the time of sorrow and need,
So from our hearts which you tried to help mend,
We thank you sincerely again and again
For being such wonderful friends.*

The Family of -

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