

MONDAY, Mr. Lucas(Luke)

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Mr. Lucas (Luke) Monday, 78, of 1505 Chatham Road, died Wednesday night at Northern Surry Hospital. He was born in Carroll County, Va., on March 10, 1909, son of the late Rufus T. and Abbie Thompson Monday.

He was a veteran of World War II, a member of Flower Gap Primitive Baptist Church and was retired from the American Tobacco Company.

Surviving are three daughters: Mrs. Barbara Bareford of Mechanicsville, Va.; Mrs. Diane Chapman of Sandston, Va.; and Mrs. Judy Hicks of Richmond, Va.; seven grandchildren, four great-grandchildren; one sister: Mrs. Lila Jones of High Point, four brothers: Allen Monday of Norfolk, Va., Walter Monday of Mullens, W.Va., Ophir Monday of Cana, Va., and Zephyr Monday of Mount Airy.

Funeral plans are incomplete and his body rests at Moody Funeral Home.

John T. Monday, Mount Airy, NC oldest resident died January 10, 1935 of pneumonia. He was born in Carroll County, VA and came to Surry County 22 years ago. He was in the grocery business. He was a veteran of the Spanish American War 1898. He volunteered in Virginia. He is the husband of Love Monday. He had 8 children by his former marriage. He is buried at Oakdale Cemetery in Mount Airy. (Kallam Cem. Book 15, pg. 1)

Circular Letter

Read Brethern and Sisters of the Zion Association:

One year has passed since we met and they named me to write a circular letter. I feel so little and know there are others who could write much better and I will say in the beginning that unless God directs my hand it will be a failure.

I like to think of a God being a Whole Savior, one who works in the armies of heaven and among the inhabitants of earth and no man can stay his hand, or say, "Jehovah, what doest thou, who knoweth the end from the beginning, who hath measured the waters in the hollow of His hand, comprehended the dust of the earth in a measure, weighed the mountains in scales, and the hills in a balance, one who owns all the gophers and cattle of a thousand hills." Then how can we help as we often hear? This God is a rich God; rich in mercy, grace, truth, and love. We are poor and nothing to pay with, or at least I feel that I haven't. I am not disturbed as to the Primitive Baptist being the children of God, but whether I am or not is the question with me.

I believe if we love, it is because we were first loved. There is a drawing power which is love: God's children do love one another which is different from that of strangers. So much of my time I am crying within myself, "Create in me, O God, a clean heart and renew within me a right Spirit." There is one thing I do know; ever since that first Sunday morning in August, 1935, when old Elder W. H. Atkinson and Elder J. W. Beasley led me and my dear companion into the water I have had a different love for these people, and it seemed on that morning that the birds were praising God and from then until now I have tried to tell something and I have never got it told and never will. If I live to be old, God being my helper, I beg for peace, hope, love, and fellowship to remain among us. So as I bring my remarks to a close I hope you all will look over my mistakes for good and that I may be blessed to have a home with you the remainder of my days here, for I want to live with you and I want to die with you and be buried with you if it is God's will for me to do so. Submitted in love.

Yours in hope,

E. G. McKinney

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Rufus T. Monday

Elder Rufus T. Monday was born in Floyd County, Virginia, December 25, 1868 and departed this life on September 22, 1947, making his stay on earth 78 years, 9 months and 22 days.

In early life he was happily united in marriage to Miss Abbie Thomas and to this union their home was blessed with 13 children.

He is survived by his widow, eight sons and five daughters: Arthur, Scottsville, Va.; Walter, Mabon, W. Va.; Walker, Gettersville, Va.; Allen, Norfolk, Va.; Jim and Lucas, Richmond, Va.; Zepher, Mt. Airy, N. C.; Opher, Rt. 5, Mt. Airy, N. C.

Mrs. Ada Harris, Richmond, Va.; Mrs. Emma Stuart, High Point, N. C.; Mrs. Alice Ellidge, North Wilkesboro, N. C.; Mrs. Francis Towe and Mrs. Lila Jones, Rt. 5, Mt. Airy, N. C.

Also 53 grand children and 15 great grand children, one brother Cal Monday, Rt. 5, Mt. Airy, N. C.; three sisters: Miss Hattie Monday, Rt. 5, Mt. Airy, N. C.; Mrs. Mollie Crews, Pulaski, Va.; and Mrs. Dionna Goad, Hillsville, Va.

He was given liberty to speak in public on May 25, 1901 at Fellowship Church, Carroll County, Virginia. From that time until his death he was a good neighbor that stood firm on the doctrine of salvation by grace and no other.

He will be greatly missed by all of those who knew him, but we feel that our loss is his eternal gain, that he is now sleeping that blessed sleep from which none ever wake to weep.

Written by request by Elder J. W. Beasley

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