



Mr. Fred Tomlinson Sr.

December 26, 2013

Fred Tomlinson, Sr. age 102 of Kingsport, went home to be with the Lord, December 26, 2013. He was born in DeLong, Kentucky on February, 17, 1911 to Lucretia Williams and James Worley Tomlinson. Although a skilled mechanic throughout his life, his passion was in his wood work, creating beautiful pieces of furniture and notably his clocks that family members will cherish. He officially retired from his hobby at the age of 95 years old. Fred has been a member of Higher Ground Baptist Church for many years and was involved with the Men's Ministry Sunday School Class. He had many loves in his life, his faith in God, being the strongest, the love of his family and all the cherished memories over the course of his life. He was a wonderful story teller, enjoyed working in his garden and would often whistle while he worked. He was known for his mechanic ability and inspired a love for cars (Chrysler), per one of his grandsons. Fred, led by example, making all that were around him feel very loved and cherished. He was a strong man of faith and has passed that along to his family. His family is very thankful for the many years they have had to love him and learn from him; he will be greatly missed.

Fred was preceded in death by his first wife, Elsie Gillenwater (1971), by his second wife, Gladys Gillenwater (1990), his parents and eight siblings.

He is survived by one sister, Evelyn Wolfe of Christiansburg, Va, seven children, F.B. Tomlinson (son), of Kingsport, TN, Doris (daughter) and Bill

Allen of Aylett, VA, John Tomlinson (son) of Hampton, VA, Joyce Ledford (daughter) of Richmond, VA, Joe (son) and Sonnie Tomlinson of Castlewood, VA, Sue (daughter) and Lee Hughes of Bristol, TN, Janie (daughter) and Steve Quiggle (honorary son) of Kingsport, TN and Bill and Patsy Gillenwater of Canfield, OH, along with nineteen grandchildren, twenty-eight great-grandchildren, six great, great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, December 28, 2013 from 4-6 pm at Higher Ground Baptist Church. Funeral services will be conducted at 6:00 pm on Saturday, December 28, 2013 with Dr. Phil Hoskins officiating. Graveside services will be Sunday, December 29, 2013 at 1:00 pm in Powell Valley Memorial Gardens in Big Sone Gap, VA. Family and friends will meet there by 12:45pm

Trinity Memorial is honored to serve the family of Fred Tomlinson. For more information or to send condolences please call (423) 723-8177 or visit www.trinitymemorialcenters.com

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **28**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Higher Ground Baptist Church
1625 Lynn Garden Drive
Kingsport, TN 37665
<http://www.higherground.org>

Graveside Service

DEC **29**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Powell Valley Memorial Gardens
5650 Powell Valley Rd
Big Stone Gap, VA 24219

Tribute Wall



“ Trinity created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Fred Tomlinson Sr.



Trinity Memorial Centers - December 26, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TD

“ What a wonderful, godly man he was! Loved the Lord, taught his word and most importantly, *LIVED IT!!!!* Thank God to have knowm this man! Prayers for comfort for the family. With deepest regards, *Teresa Dorton*

Teresa Dorton - December 28, 2013 at 02:59 PM

CD

“ This man was the most Godly man I have ever known. When we found out I had cancer and I wanted to be anointed. After the service he came up to me and wrapped his arms around me and told me God said "Your are going to be fine!" No one knows what this meant to me. When he was able to come back and visit us we always would gravitate towards each other and it was always a blessing to be in his presence. One of his favorite songs was How Great Thou Art and the other was Use Me Lord. I love this man like my own grandfather!!! God rest your soul Pappaw Fred, you were loved and will be missed by so many! Blessings and condolences to his family.



Catherine Hall (Bill Sallings daughter) - December 28, 2013 at 11:51 AM

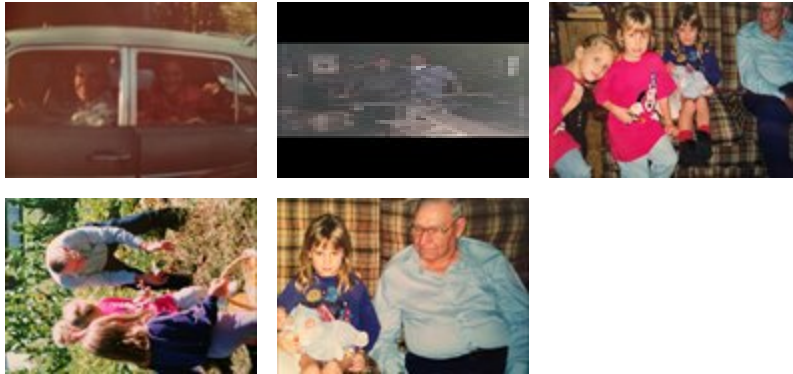
DL

“ Fred was a wonderful and God fearing man, he loved everyone. He was the adult Sunday School teacher at Wood Riverview Baptist Church, in Fort Blackmore Va for many year until his health forced him to move to Kpt. I always enjoyed his teachings there, he will be greatly missed.

D'lynn Lawson - December 28, 2013 at 11:41 AM



“ 105 files added to the album Tribute Photos



Trinity Memorial Centers - December 28, 2013 at 11:18 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Fred Tomlinson Sr..



December 28, 2013 at 09:02 AM

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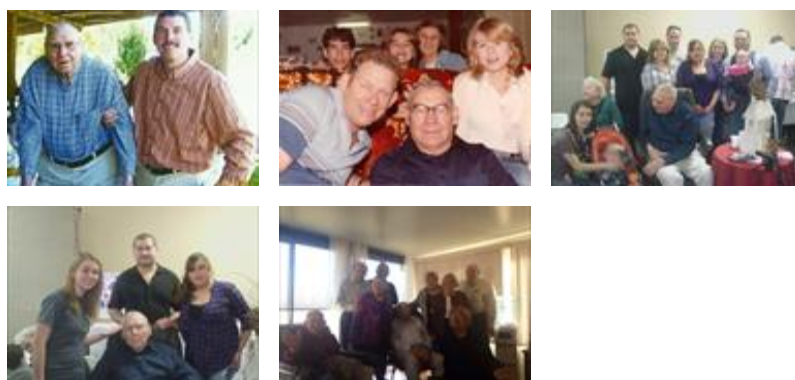
“ *Brenda Stanley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Tomlinson Sr.*



Brenda Stanley - December 28, 2013 at 07:06 AM

TO

“ *7 files added to the album Papaw Fred*



Tonya O'Rourke - December 27, 2013 at 03:07 PM



“ *Heaven's Comfort was purchased for the family of Mr. Fred Tomlinson Sr..*



December 27, 2013 at 02:17 PM

JC

“ J.D. And Janice Cassell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Tomlinson Sr.



J.D. and Janice Cassell - December 27, 2013 at 01:05 PM

TO

“ 3 files added to the album Papaw's Cars



Tonya O'Rourke - December 27, 2013 at 11:54 AM

TO

“ 71 files added to the album Papaw Fred



Tonya O'Rourke - December 27, 2013 at 11:46 AM

SS

“ Dear Donna and family, Sending our Love, Prayers, Sympathy and Support to you all during this difficult time. Take comfort in knowing that you will be reunited in heaven when we are all called home. I never had the privilege of meeting your grandfather, but from what you shared with people, I know where you get a lot of your wonderful traits from! If there is anything we can do, please let us know. May God bless and keep you in his loving arms and remember, when our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ comes again and takes us home we will have a reunion with so many loved ones and church friends that can never compare to one we have on earth. Love to all, Tim, Sheri, Aaron, Logan and Peyton Shaffer

Sheri Holbrook Shaffer - December 27, 2013 at 08:58 AM