



Clarence Watkins

April 18, 1928 - November 7, 2006

Clarence Eugene Watkins, 78 year old resident of Siloam Springs, Arkansas, died November 7, 2006, at Regency Hospital, Springdale, Arkansas. Born April 18, 1928 in Chewey, Oklahoma, he was the son of Jesse James Watkins and Amanda Phelps Watkins. He grew up in Chewey, Oklahoma and worked in maintenance for Simmons Industries for over 30 years. He enjoyed mechanic work in his spare time. He married Ruby Todd on April 24, 1951. He was preceded in death by his wife in 1995; and one grandson, Frankie Thomas. Survivors include one son, James Earl Watkins, Sr. and wife Pamela of Lowell, Arkansas; two daughters, Thelma Welch and husband Dave of Siloam Springs, Arkansas, and Lynn Alexander and husband Dave of Rogers, Arkansas; six grandchildren; two brothers, Perry "Bee" Watkins of Wichita, Kansas and Delmar "Tub" Watkins of Siloam Springs, Arkansas. Funeral services will be 2:00 p.m., Friday, November 10, 2006, at Wasson Memorial Chapel, Siloam Springs, Arkansas, with Pastor Kirk Hartness officiating. Burial will follow at Bell Cemetery, Adair County, Oklahoma. Visitation will be 6:30 to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, November 9, 2006, at Wasson Funeral Home, Siloam Springs, Arkansas.

Tribute Wall

LT

“ I write this as a message from all the Browning Family members:

"Time passes quickly...grief does not...In the days and months ahead, please know that your loved one is warmly remembered...and your sorrow is held in the hearts and thoughts of those who care."

We will really miss seeing Clarence on our trips to Siloam from TX and AL. We were always so thankful to be able to come up and visit with our family and neighbors Clarence and Mr. Younger. He will be missed so greatly by us. We felt safe knowing he was just right across the street, and he always let us know that he was keeping an eye on us as well as our place.

Wow, we as kids grew up with Lyn and Thelma and James across from my Grandma Browning's house. Your Mom and Dad were so very good to my grandma and she always appreciated having them as neighbors and friends. She thought highly of them, as do all of us.

On one of our visits, he let me take cuttings off of some of his plants and bushes out of the yard. I was so thrilled to be carrying those cuttings back to TX. I now have a beautiful large red rose bush and several others from cuttings off of his. I was also able to get a Paw Paw tree started off a cutting. I have babied that along for so long and it is now a sturdy bush. He also brought me a bunch of Calla Lilly bulbs from downtown when they were thinning them out, ha! I brought them back and planted them in various places at our farm and ranch out of Brazoria TX. They all still thrive for me and now I will make sure they cover more areas and will remember Clarence as they all bloom.

I was so upset when I got the email from my cousin Carolyn Jones the other day, I know that he is in a better place now and having a wonderful visit with his wife Ruby and other family, if that is any comfort to you. Please take care and know that we all share in your

grief and that Clarence will truly be missed.

Linda West Gassen & husband Mike; and other family, Jean West; T -
September 19, 2012 at 11:31 AM

DL

“ *Dear Thelma,
So sorry to hear about your loss of your father. You are in my
prayers and thoughts. I never knew your father but I am sure he was
a special dad as you are a special woman and I am sure he will be
greatly missed.*

Donella Leeman - September 19, 2012 at 11:31 AM

PK

“ *Lynn, Jeanie, James and family,
So sorry to hear about Clarence. We were neighbors for along time
and friends, too. My heart goes out to you all. It was good to see
him not long ago.
Lynn, if you need to talk or anything get in touch with me. My
prayers are with you all. Sorry I wont be at the service.
Patty*

Patty Harrison Kinzey - September 19, 2012 at 11:31 AM

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“ *I WANT TO LET EVERYONE KNOW THAT MY DAD WAS KIND
MAN. WHO HAD TROUBLE SHOWING HIS LOVE WITH HUGS
AND KISSES BUT IF YOU NEEDED HIM . HE WAS ALWAYS
THERE WITH THE RIGHT WORDS AND HELP. I WILL MISS HIM
DEARLY AND FOREVER. LOVE YOU DADDY !!*

thelma welch - September 19, 2012 at 11:31 AM