

GILBERT ADAMS



It is with much sadness I try to write an obituary of our dear brother. It is by a request of his dear wife, Sister Clara Adams. Brother Adams, born 1908, departed this life September 15, 1977.

He joined the Old Regular Baptist and was a member of the Kiser Branch Church at Grahn, Ky.

At a very early age he lost his eye sight. He was married to Clara Johnson. To this union were born 7 children, 1 boy and 6 girls, all of whom are still living. He has one sister still living,

Erie Cotton, Grayson, Ky. Brother Adams was struck by that dreadful disease known as cancer.

Dear children, if you want to see Daddy again, you must follow in his footsteps. For I feel that he is gone to rest with Jesus until that great judgment morning. He will rise again that morning, for Jesus paid for him in his own blood.

Written by one who love you all, your Brother in Hope,
Elder Eales Cotton

GARY M. DAMRON



By the request of Bro. Norman Damron, I will try to write a short obituary of Gary M. Damron. He was born May 8, 1951, and departed this life February 15, 1977, making his stay here on earth 25 years, 9 months and 7 days. He was the son of Norman and Glenna Case Damron. Gary was married to Dixie Sturgill in the year of 1973, and unto this union was born one son, Edgar.

Gary was raised up and spent his entire life here in this state, and will be missed by all who knew him. He was working in the coal mines, trying to make a living for his family, when he was accidently killed. But the good Lord and His great loving arm of love and mercy were able to reach him there in that old coal mine. Yes, He can reach His hand to all who are in need, and if Gary just had time to say, "Lord, remember me, a sinner." He will forgive and take Gary with him in paradise.

Now as I write this obituary, I know I am dealing with two different denominations, but to the side that says it takes water baptism to be saved, do you think that God failed to give the woman at the well that water? St. John Chapter 4 Verse 15 "The woman saith unto him, sir, give me this water, that I thirst not. Neither come hither to draw." Also, St. John 8 Chapter, Verses 1 - 2: she said "No man Lord." and Jesus said unto her, "Neither do I condemn thee. Go and sin no more." Did He say go and be baptised? No. But baptism is good in its place. It shows the world you are no more of the world. Well, this is enough of that.

Gary leaves to mourn his passing his wife and son, father and mother, 3 brothers, Estill, Harold and Buel, and 4 sisters, Emogene, Susie, Lottie and Madaline, and a host of friends and relation. May God bless his wife to care for and raise his little boy, who will never have a father's love to know. Yes, I think by the drawing the department of mines put in the paper I received, that Gary had time to ask Jesus to forgive him of any and all sins he had committed. To his loved ones, I believe Gary is with Jesus and his sister that has gone. And I pray that you all meet in heaven some sweet day.

So young, so fair and so faint, to us he was
a saint.

He was our life and our guide through toils and
sickness; he stood by our side.

To visit him you would find a smile.

He seemed so humble, as a child.

He loved the good old time way.

And I hope in heaven we will meet some day.

Written by Mack Kidd, Jr.

ROXIE MAE PRATER



By the help of the Lord, I'll try to write an obituary of Sister Roxie Mae Prater.

Sister Roxie was born November 19, 1913. She passed this life October 10, 1976, making her stay here on earth 62 years, 10 months and 22 days.

Sister Roxie was the daughter of the late William Thomas and Mary Ann (Pitts) Salmons. Sister Roxie was united in marriage to Robie Prater December 21, 1933, at Risner, Ky., and unto this union were born 3 children, 2 sons and 1 daughter. One infant son preceded her in death. Sister Roxie is survived by her hus-

band, Robie Prater, a daughter, Bobbie Jean Endicott, Abion, Mich., and a son, William Thomas Prater, Georgetown, Ky. Sister Roxie also raised a grandson, Michael Ray Endicott, at home. Also surviving are two brothers, Elic Salmons, Washington, D.C.; Berlie Salmons, Risner, Ky.; and four sisters, Mrs. Carl Stephenson, Prestonsburg, Ky.; Mrs. Neddie Ousley, Sidney, Ind.; Mrs. Oliver Prater and Mrs. Hobart Reffitt, North Manchester, Ind. She has six grandchildren surviving her.

Sister Roxie had been failing in health for one and a half years. She joined the Old Regular Baptist Church about two years before she died. She was a good and faithful member as long as her health permitted.

I have known Sister Roxie all of my life. She was a kind and sweet person. The way you would find her today was the way you would find her tomorrow. She had love for everyone. I've visited her many times in her home and heard her say so many times, "I'll never forget about the goodness of the Lord."

I would like to say to her husband, children and kindred to fall out with sin and meet Mother again in that city where no pain and death ever come.

One so dear from us is gone
Now she rests in that sweet home.
Her lovely smile we see no more
Until we meet again on Heaven's shore.

Although you have crossed Jordan's River so deep
As time goes on we still mourn and weep.
And as long as life and memories last
I'll thank God for the days of the past.

A rose in that garden in the promised land
Was planted by our Savior's hand
To bloom forever in the sweet by and by
Where there's no death in Heaven on high.

The memories for me you left behind
Are a good Sister, so gentle and kind
So sleep on, Sis, I'll meet you above
When the door swings open on hinges of love.

Written by a Sister in Hope,
Alice Mae Ousley

DEE HOWELL



By the help of the Lord, I'll write a short obituary of a dear loving and sweet friend to wit, Dee Howell. Brother Dee was born January 20, 1900, and passed from this life to his eternal home on August 3, 1977, making his stay on earth 77 years, 7 months and 18 days. He was married to Polly (Mosley) Howell. Unto this union were born 16 children; 2 preceded him in death, Ruth and Lucy Howell. Fourteen children remain. James and Earl reside at Hamilton, Ohio; Hetty Hall, Claude, Dee Jr., and Homer at McDowell, Ky.; Julia Elliott at E. McDowell; Eugene, Abe, Dallas, Olivin and Olive Rose Hall at Orkney; Estill at Stanford, Ky.; and Donald Ray at Ashtabula, Ohio. He also leaves 69 grandchildren and 36 great-grandchildren and a host of friends and neighbors to mourn their loss.

Brother Dee joined the Pilgrims' Rest Church the 2nd Saturday in June and was baptized the same day. He suffered a stroke and remained in the hospital until his death. The family said there was never a more patient or humble man through all his sickness. We believe when the death angel came to carry his sweet soul to rest, it was a happy exchange. The Bible says, "Blessed are they that die in the Lord." If the children want to see Daddy again, those that haven't made peace with God must repent and go to the same God Daddy went to.

He also leaves one sister, Minda Bates

Written by a Sister in the Lord, Juanita Compton, and the family

WILLIAM NEWSOME



With a sad and aching heart we will try, by the help of God and of his dear son, Jesus Christ, to write this obituary of a dear Brother, to wit: Bro. William Newsome. He was born December 25, 1897, and passed from this life December 30, 1976, at the age of 79 years and 5 days.

Bro. William joined the Little Dove Church and was baptized by Elder J.P. Hall October 28, 1967. God gave us ten commandments, and 1968 the

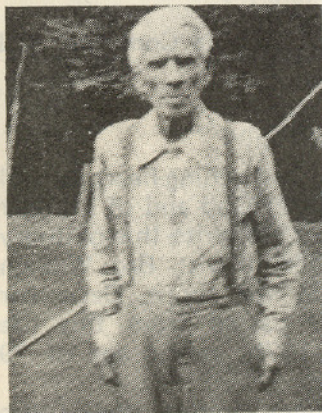
Association went back behind the Brother's experience and asked that Little Dove remove his name from their records. I have oft times looked back to where Jesus Christ said that all sins shall be forgiven except one, that one is sin against the Holy Ghost. I would like to say, Revelation 22, Chapter 17, Verse says "And the spirit and the bride say, come and let him that heareth say, come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely." No, if Bro. Newsome got that water the Association could not take it away or remove his name from the Lamb's Book of Life. The above written by clerk of the Little Dove Church [Mack Kidd, Jr., Clerk]

Bro. William Newsome leaves to mourn his death his wife, Lillie Newsome, whom he married in 1953 and 5 step-children; 4 girls and 1 boy. Bro. Newsome loved to go to church every time he could get a chance and was able, and lots of time went when he wasn't able. He loved the Little Dove Church and Bro. Johnny Hall, and his other Brothers and Sisters at the Little Dove Church.

William was a Daddy to us children. He told us so many times how much he loved us. And we loved him. Mom and we children did all we could for William. We feel in our hearts Brother William is better off, and our loss is a home in heaven for him. Brother William was sick for about 3 years but he still went to church when we could take him. In closing we will say, he is sadly missed by his wife and step-children and the members of the Little Dove Church.

Written by his family and in part by Mack Kidd, Jr.

JONTS ISAAC



It is with much sadness I will try to write an obituary of my beloved father, Jonts Isaac.

He was born May 28, 1886. He was the son of Ruben and Nancy Hall Isaac. Papa was married to Annie Hall, the daughter of Wess and Merica Hall. To this union were born 5 children. Annie and 4 children preceded him in death, leaving him one daughter, Floria Hall, Dry Creek, Ky.

On September 21, 1922, Papa married my mother, Victoria Cook, the daughter of Lewis and Margaret Hall Cook. To this union were born 9 children. One died as an infant. Still living are: Hesta Bates, Melvin, Ky.; Leslie Scott and Berlin Isaac, both of Dry Creek, Ky.; Sterlin Isaac, Topmost, Ky.,

Sadie Hicks, Garrett, Ky., Gertrude Jones, Lillie Coleman, Shurl Isaac, all of Columbus, Ohio. Papa and Mama had a good life together, working hard to raise us children. Mama died February 7, 1955.

Papa joined the Little Rock Church and was baptized in August, 1954. He filled his seat as long as he was able. I have seen him cry many times, because he wanted to go so bad and wasn't able to go. He had a little call meeting at my home and I believe he enjoyed himself the best I have ever seen. Two weeks later he took down sick and for five weeks we sat by him day and night. Some of his children were good to visit him. It did him so much good for anyone to come and see him. His eyes would fill with tears and he would say, "Hurry back and don't stay away too long." My brother Berlin stayed every day and night to help me and my two girls care for him. Then on that cold night of December 18, 1976, the Lord called him away. I believe with all of my heart his suffering is over. He leaves children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren to mourn the loss.

Written by his daughter, Leslie Scott

BERTHA HAYS HALL



With much sadness, I will write the obituary of my beloved sister, Bertha Hays Hall. She was the daughter of Liberty and Lizzie Blair Hays.

She was born July 26, 1899, and departed this life October 25, 1976. Bertha was united in marriage to Jeffie Hall June 29, 1936. He preceded her in death May 2, 1975. They were not blessed with any children.

She leaves three brothers, Troy, Kenneth and Karl Hays, and six sisters, Ethel King, Mattie Amburgey, Maggie Hall, Lila Thacker, Dortha Slayback and

Georgia Reppise.

Sister Bertha joined and was baptized into fellowship of the Rebecca Regular Baptist Church May, 1965. She was a faithful member until the dreadful disease cancer took hold of her body. She told the family there wasn't anything in her way. She was just waiting for her train.

I want to thank Brother Orvil Hall and Noma. Also, the other Brothers and Sisters that went in and prayed and sang for her. She loved and enjoyed them so much. May God bless her Brothers and Sisters who stayed by her bed day and night and waited upon

her so patiently and kindly until death.

Written by her sister, Ethel King, and Noma Hall, a
Sister in Hope

OLLIE CAUDILL



In much weakness, but by the help of an all wise and merciful God, I will try to write a short obituary of a dear sister in the Lord, Sister Ollie Caudill.

Sister Ollie was born July 8, 1903, and departed this life December 8, 1976, making her stay on earth seventy three years and five months. She was born in Lewis Co., Ky., the daughter of Henry and Elizabeth Conley.

She was married to McKinley Caudill, May 18, 1922, and to this union were born seven children. McKinley

and three of the children preceded her in death. Four of the children remain to mourn her death; Edna of Galipolis, Ohio; Russell of Springfield, Ohio; Gaylord, of Martin, Kentucky; and Archie, of Dayton, Ohio. Also left are three sisters; Hazel, of Dayton, Ohio; Rose, of California; and Nora, of Virginia.

Sister Ollie suffered the usual misfortunes of life and I remember when she came down the aisle of this little church and told her friends that she had been praying and what great things the Lord had done for her. Sister Ollie was a faithful member as long as she lived in this part of the country, and after she left here, some of us heard from her quite often. Now we would love to hear her children say that they will meet Mother in that beautiful home that we feel she has gone to rest in.

Written by her unworthy Brother in the Lord,
Elder John C. Frazier

A. VINCENT ADAMS

Born September 30, 1911, at Blackey, Letcher County, Ky.; Deceased September 10, 1977: funeral September 12, 1977 at 10:00 A.M. at the Dinwood Community Church; burial in the Dingus Cemetary at Martin, Ky.

He was the son of John and Ella Back Adams. With much sadness, I will try to write the obituary of a dear beloved husband, daddy and father-in-

law. He was married to Christine Symon Adams June 16, 1933. To this family were born five children, one son and four daughters Kelly Vincent Adams, deceased, Mary Ellen Adams deceased twin to Mary Elizabeth Stumbo, Johnnie Francis Sizemore and Georgie Ann Allen, all of Martin, Ky.; two foster sons, Johnny Lee Symon of Louisville, Ky., and David Harold Symon of Martin, Ky. He also leaves one brother, Bramle Adams of Brownstown, Ind., and one sister, Inez Howard of Indianapolis, Ind. He leaves nine grandchildren, Rocky R. and Jennifer Lynn Adams and Mark Hicks, all of Minnie, Ky.; Randy and Donna Stumbo, Tammy and Ramona Sizemore, Bobby and Kelly Allen, all of Martin, Ky. He also leaves a host of relatives, neighbors and friends.

He was a United Mine Worker for 35 years. A good moral and honest man, he gave his family and all good advice. To the grandchildren, do as PaPaw told you and you won't go wrong. Most of all, he belonged to the church for many years. The Bible tells us a person's death is far greater than birth if they die in the Lord. I believe with all my heart he's at rest. So, sleep on. We know he can't come back to us, but by the grace of God, we can go to him. Not our will, but thine be done.

Written by the Adams family

