



Craven Cornelius O'Bryant

February 6, 1925 - February 8, 2021

Craven C. O'Bryant, age 96, passed away on Monday, February 8, 2021. His funeral service will be at Crossville Memorial Chapel at 2 p.m. Thursday, February 11, 2021. Rev. Buddy Strickland will officiate. Burial will be at Mt. Flat Cemetery, Crossville, Alabama. Visitation will be from 1 until 2 before the service. Pallbearers will be John Jordan, Steve Bryant, Tyler Bankston, Cory Bankston, Jacob Jordan, Keith Davis and Ben Johnston. Honorary pallbearers will be the Sand Mtn. Gideons. Everyone is invited to attend the burial at Mt. Flat Cemetery following the funeral service.

Craven was born on Hughes Avenue in Attalla, Al. on Feb. 6, 1925. He graduated from Etowah High School and The Gadsden Business College and attended the University of Alabama (Gadsden Center). He received the chartered Life Underwriter designation from the American College, Bryn Mawr, Pa. and conducted a practice in insurance and securities for many years. He lived in Southside, Al. a number of years and was a member and deacon of Southside Baptist Church; later moved to Sand Mountain and was a long-time member of Union Grove Baptist Church, served as a deacon and church treasurer for 18 years and other capacities.

He was a Gideon, serving as Treasurer and Vice President. In earlier life, one of his hobbies was diving and spear fishing. He dived around oil rigs in Louisiana, off the coast of Florida and in the Bahama Islands.

He was a member of the "Greatest Generation: or as some have said the "unluckies." Craven served in the Third U.S. Army under the command of

General Patton during WWII in England, France, Germany, Austria and other countries.

Craven is survived by his sister, Doris Beaird and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by wife, Reba Jean O'Bryant, brothers, Harry, Howard, Emil, and John, sisters, Corrine Hollis and Dorothy Wilson, and parents, Craven O'Bryant, Sr. and Gracey Raley O'Bryant.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Gideon International, Sand Mtn. Camp, P. O. Box 395 Fyffe, Al. 35971. All funds will be used to purchase Bibles.

Crossville Memorial Chapel Directing

Cemetery Details

Mt. Flat Cemetery

Co.Rd. 21
Crossville, AL 35962

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 11. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Crossville Memorial Chapel
13812 Al Highway 68
Crossville, AL 35962
(256) 528-2500

Service

FEB 11. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I was one of the members of "Pop Obryants " first youth groups at Union Grove Baptist church . Mrs. Jean and Mr. Craven were known as "mom and pop " to all of us kids because they treated us like their own . Wonderful memories of our youth trips with them . Pop always tried to give us kids advice on how to make it in this world . Advice I still try to live by today . One of the finest men I have ever been blessed to know and he will be missed dearly . What a reunion he must be having with his dear Mrs Jean and with Jesus . Love you "Pop" . RIP .

James Clayton - February 11, 2021 at 07:57 AM