

Billy O. Frye

February 7, 1927 to May 26, 2013

Billy O. Frye of Tellico Plains, passed away at 7:05 p.m. Sunday, May 26, at Woods Memorial Hospital. He was 86.

He was a veteran of World War II, a master craftsman, retired general superintendent with the U.S. Forestry Service and was a lifelong member of Center Presbyterian Church. He loved the mountains of the Tellico area and was an avid hunter and fisherman.

Preceded in death by: wives, Lyles A. Frye and Juanita Frye; infant daughter of Billy and Lyles, Winda June Frye; parents, Grover and Edith Akins Frye; sisters, Pauline Wilson and Alberta Shaw; brothers, Tom and Ray Frye.

Survivors include: several nieces and nephews; stepchildren, Darriel Gardner, Penny Holder, Patty Taylor and Sonya Harris, all of Tellico Plains; and Susie Martin, of Madisonville; thirteen step-grandchildren; special step-granddaughter-Jasmine Harris; seven step-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be 8 p.m., Tuesday, in Biereley-Hale Chapel, with Rev. Steve Teague officiating. Interment will be 10 a.m., Wednesday, in Center Cemetery.

Family will receive friends from 5-8 p.m. before services Tuesday. Biereley-Hale Funeral Home, Tellico Plains, in charge of services.