



## George Hamilton Ford, Sr.

June 23, 1918 - February 20, 2020

Mr. George Hamilton Ford, Sr. age 101 passed away on Wednesday, February 20, 2020 at Floyd E. Tutt Fann State Veterans Home. Mr. Ford was born on June 23, 1918 in Saluda, SC to Walter Ford and Pauline Bridges Ford.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, Georgia Annie Scoggins Ford and daughter, Ann Rooks.

Mr. Ford is survived by his daughters, Dorothy Langley of Edgefield, SC and Barbara Clanton of Madison, AL; sons, George H. Ford, Jr. of Athens, AL, Tommy Ford of Clarksville, AR and David Ford of Winder, GA; 15 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren and 15 great-great grandchildren.

Mr. Ford was a member of Sardis Springs Baptist Church.

The family will receive friends from 6:00-8:00 PM on Sunday, February 23, 2020 at Limestone Chapel Funeral Home. The funeral service for Mr. Ford will be at 11:00 AM on Monday, February 24, 2020 at Sardis Springs Baptist Church with Bro. Tim Keenum officiating. The body will lie in state one hour prior to the service. Burial will be in Sardis Springs Baptist Church Cemetery.

Pallbearers are his grandsons, George Daniel Ford, James H. Ford, Blaine

Ford, Sam Rooks, Ryan Ford and Danny Langley.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Reminding those whom you support that your thoughts are with them.

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**Tribute Store** - February 24, 2020 at 09:45 AM

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“ Dear Family, My brother, Dennis Wilson, found out from a post that Mr. Ford, your father/grandfather/great grandfather, has recently passed away at age 101. What wonderful memories have flooded into my mind of him and that time in my life. After working at his job during the day, he would come home in the afternoon and use his lawn mower to clear off an open field in front of our houses on Grote St. in Huntsville. He marked off an appropriately sized baseball field for us neighborhood kids to play on. But he was not satisfied with just doing that. He took many more afternoons after he had made us a baseball field to teach everyone of us how to play the game, how to throw and catch, how to hit, and the rules of the game. There were about 8 or 9 of us neighborhood kids of various ages at that time. Dennis was about 7 or 8, I was 10 or 11, the older Costello boys were 6 to 8 years old and then there were Barbara, George, and Tommy all in those same age ranges. I have shared with my own children about Mr. Ford being the pitcher as he taught us how to bat and that he would tell us to try and hit his Rattlesnake curve ball. And there did come a time when we learned how to play the game that he did not have to pitch to us and we could play more than just in the afternoon after he got off from work. As I said, I have fond memories of Mr. Ford and his sacrifices that he made to teach our neighborhood kids how to play baseball. I am blessed to have known him and to have been touched by his life. Praying for you, his family, as you walk through these difficult days, weeks, and months ahead. Brenda Wilson Giles Panama City, FL

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**Brenda W. Giles** - February 21, 2020 at 11:16 PM