



John Wendall Kirkland

August 30, 1922 - December 31, 2012

Funeral services for John W. Kirkland, 90 of DeBerry, Texas will be 1:00 p.m., Thursday, January 3, 2013 at the Hawthorn Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Ronnie Mutina and Rev. Billy Hughes officiating. Burial will follow in the Liberty Chapel Cemetery under the direction of Hawthorn Funeral Home. Family visitation will be Wednesday evening from 6–8:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Mr. Kirkland passed away December 31, 2012 at his home in DeBerry and is now reunited with his loving wife Mavis.

Mr. John Wendall Kirkland was born August 30, 1922 in Carthage, Texas. He was the youngest of five children born to the marriage of William Franklin and Frances Epsie Dixon Kirkland. Mr. Kirkland met and later married Mavis Ozell Shires on March 15, 1941 and together they celebrated 64 years until she preceded him in death on November 11, 2005. He worked for Conoco Oil Company for many years, was a member and deacon of Liberty Chapel Baptist Church, enjoyed working his cattle and loved spending time with his family and having company. Mr. Kirkland is also preceded in death by his brothers, Byron Kirkland, J.B. Kirkland, Freddie Kirkland; and sister, Sybil Beck.

Mr. Kirkland is survived by his sons, John F. Kirkland and wife Geri of Beckville, Wendall Kirkland and wife Dianne of DeBerry; daughter, Alice Mathison of Hallsville; 17 grandchildren, 31 great grandchildren; 14 great, great grandchildren; numerous other relatives and a host of friends.

Serving as pallbearers will be Danny Kirkland, Gregg Haden, Todd Kirkland,

Gary Haden, Galen Mathison, Rondall Kirkland, Rodney Kirkland, Adam Porter, Kathy Porter and Brenda Kirkland. Honorary pallbearers will be his great grandsons, Lane Gentry, Seth Kirkland, John Kyle Kirkland, Bodie Kirkland, Kolby Kirkland, Christopher Haden, Zack Kirkland, Ty Kirkland, Clayton Kirkland and Tyler Mathison.

If desired, the family suggest memorial donations be made in Mr. Kirkland's name to Liberty Chapel Baptist Church, 1766 US Hwy 79 N, Carthage, Texas 75633.

Previous Events

Service

JAN 3. 1:00 PM (CT)

Hawthorn Funeral Home Chapel
307 W Wellington St.
Carthage, Tx

Tribute Wall



“ Johnny, Wendall, Alice and family..I was so very saddened to hear of Mr John's passing. Praying for you all and the family and friends of this wonderful man. May God Bless and comfort you.##imported-begin##Brenda Hill##imported-end##

January 04, 2013 at 02:04 AM



“ Want to extend condolences to the Kirkland family at this very difficult time. Mr. Kirkland will be missed by all. Thoughts and prayers going out to his family.##imported-begin##Tere Fry##imported-end##

January 03, 2013 at 02:28 PM



“ To the Kirkland Family,
I'm so sorry for your loss, please know that all of you are in my thoughts & prayers at this hard time in your lives. Let God give you the peace you need right now.##imported-begin##Glenda Chambers Grimes##imported-end##

January 02, 2013 at 01:50 PM



“ TO ALL THE FAMILY. I CAN IMAGINE HOW HARD THIS IS. I AM PRAYING FOR YOUR FAMILY. LOVE TO ALL OF YOU.
DONNA##imported-begin##donna fletcher##imported-end##

January 02, 2013 at 09:44 AM



“ John was the best neighbor we ever had. He was truly a good man. Our sympathy to his family.##imported-begin##Bob & Valeria Evatt##imported-end##

January 01, 2013 at 01:58 PM



“ John, Wendall and Alice sorry for your loss of your Dad, I though a lot of him and all your family##imported-begin##ROBBIE EVANS##imported-end##

January 01, 2013 at 12:58 PM



“ We miss and love u very much... u will be missed but never forgotten... our family has had alot of good time with u and aunt mavis... god took another good angel to heaven ... love u always and forever uncle john w kirkland... love melinda (shires) gibbs... your great niece...##imported-begin##melinda gibbs##imported-end##

January 01, 2013 at 09:51 AM