



Mr. Earnest Pate

March 13, 1926 - December 29, 2014

Mr. Earnest Pate, 88, of Poulan, died Tuesday, December 30, 2014 at Phoebe/Worth Medical Center.

The funeral service will be at 2:00 PM on Saturday, January 3, 2015 at Banks Funeral Home Chapel with interment to follow in the Poulan Cemetery. The Rev. Robert Nipper will officiate.

Mr. Pate was born on March 13, 1926 in Ashburn, GA to Dan and Lula Mae Rooker Pate. He served during WW II in the United States Army from 1943 to 1947. He retired from the Worth County Board of Education where he was employed as a bus driver. Mr. Pate loved spending time with his family, sitting on the front porch chatting with visitors, attending yard sales, and his cat, Milky.

Survivors include his wife, Jewel Windham Pate of Poulan; sons, Dan Pate (Melissa) of Sylvester, Stoney Pate (Michelle) of Sylvester; daughters, Dorothy Pate (Amber) of Leesburg, Rena Webb (Evan) of Sumner; grandchildren, Kyle Pate (Britney), Christen Gibbs (Jon), Chelcie Pate, Isabella Webb, Stacy Tidey, Anthony Cross, Dodie Albritton; great grandchildren, Lakyn Pate, Trevor Pate, Naomii Knowles, Nevaeh and Elijah Albritton; and his loving sister-in-law Catherine Windham; his nephew, Richard Windham (Jeanna) who cared for him until his death.

Mr. Pate was preceded in death by two granddaughters, Hanna and Brooke Webb.

The family will receive friends on Saturday, January 3, 2015, from 1:00 to 2:00 PM at Banks Funeral Home.

Please sign our online guest registry at www.banksfh.com

Banks Funeral Home in Sylvester is in charge of the arrangements.

229-776-2055

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Earnest Pate*

January 28, 2023 at 12:53 PM

BB

“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Pray that God will keep you cradled in His loving arms during this time of sorrow. Mr. Pate was a good man. He will be missed. Peace my friends. God bless.*

Barbara L. Bozeman - May 14, 2018 at 03:29 PM

JO

“ *We will sure miss Mr Ernie waving at and stopping by. ..*

Jr Osborne - May 14, 2018 at 03:29 PM

BB

“ *Mrs. Pate and family, Im so sorry for your loss. Pray that God will keep you cradled in His loving arms during this time of sorrow. Mr. Earnest was a special person. He will surely be missed. Peace my friends. God bless.*

Barbara Bozeman - May 14, 2018 at 03:29 PM

SM

“ *I am so sorry to hear about Mr. Pate. I never seen him in town that he didn't speak to me or talk to me. I remember one time He and I stood outside the bank and talked it seemed like forever, and it was so enjoyable to talk to him. He always had a great story to tell. God Bless the family, You are all in our prayers.*

Sandy and Charles McCarty - May 14, 2018 at 03:29 PM

DL

“ *You will always be one of the most important men in my life. So many times you healed the hurts of a past childhood riddled with pain from my own family whom you never even knew. Your kind words strong heart and unending compassion not to mention uncountable laughter will be the things I miss the most. You were a daddy, granddaddy, uncle and brother all rolled into one. Now you will always be an angel watching over us keeping the demons at bay. Our loss is TRULY Heavens gain.Fly high Uncle Erny Fly high.*

Debbie "candy" Lambert - May 14, 2018 at 03:29 PM

AS

“ Things sure aren't going to be the same without pawpaw pate. Always smiling and happy with a funny story to tell. I'm going to miss driving over to buy fresh produce from him. One thing is for sure he loved everyone he met and always welcomed you with a warm hug and a smile. He is loved and missed by so many. I'm going to miss sitting on the porch listening to all his story's and laughing until I cried.

ashley shubert - May 14, 2018 at 03:29 PM

BL

“ We will miss seeing Mr.Earnest at the yard sales around Sylvester. Family we are praying for each of you.

Bambi Lawson - May 14, 2018 at 03:29 PM

RA

“ I miss pops,i CALLED THAT,HE WAS GOOD TO MY FAMILY,AND VERY GOOD FRIEND.

rachel - May 14, 2018 at 03:29 PM