



William Raymond West

October 25, 2007

William Raymond West, age 81, of Nelson, passed away Thursday morning, October 25, 2007 at his home. He was born May 23, 1926 in Camden County near Roach, MO, the son of Elijah Joshaway and Eliza Annie Ray West.

He was united in marriage on March 25, 1944 with Ruby E. Freeman, who preceded him in death on December 29, 1999. On June 25, 2000 he married Barbara Gregory Owen.

Mr. West was a dry wall contractor in Clinton, MO for several years prior to moving to Lee's Summit where he was a heavy equipment operator for 28 years for the City of Lee's Summit before his retirement in 1988. He was a member I.A.M. Local 778 and Memorial Baptist Church in Nelson.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara West of the home; eight children, Judith E. Busick of Raymore, William M. West of Lee's Summit, Beverly A. Thompson of Stover, Donald W. West of Greenwood, Gary L. West of Nelson, Brenda J. Rush of Greenwood, Wanda J. Villines of Lee's Summit, and Kenneth D. West of Lone Jack; two brothers, John West of Grandview, and Carl West of Camdenton; 26 grandchildren, 50 great-grandchildren, 2 great-great-grandchildren, many other relatives and friends. In addition to his parents and wife he was preceded in death by two brothers, Clyde and James West, three sisters, Velma Busick, Mary Busick, and Ruby West, one grandchild and two

great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, October 28, at the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home in Versailles, with the Reverends Donnie Hayworth and Carl Lee West officiating. Interment will be in the Stover Cemetery with family members serving as casketbearers. The family will receive friends from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. Sunday at the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home in Versailles.

Sympathy condolences may be sent online at www.kidwellgarber.com.

Memorial contributions are suggested to Memorial Baptist Church in Nelson or Open Arms Community Church in the Ivy Bend Community near Stover.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home of Versailles.