



Arlee Hays

October 16, 2010

Arlee Trent Hays, 86, of Bradford, departed this life on Saturday, October 16, 2010. He was preceded in death by his parents, Bill and Bessie Edens Hays and his brother, Gerald "Jack" Hays.

He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Reba Falwell Hays; a daughter, Joanne Hays Guasco and her husband Ray of Eads, Tennessee; a son, Kevin Trent Hays and his wife Gaye of Conway, Arkansas and two grandsons, Christopher Hays and Raymond Guasco. He is also survived by several cousins, nieces and nephews and a host of friends and a faithful dog, Molly.

Born December 6, 1923 in Bradford, Mr. Hays joined the United States Navy and served his country during WW II in the Pacific as a Petty Officer First Class. After the war he returned to Bradford to join his father in their family business of radio and television repair. A job opportunity in Chicago, Illinois led him there to work as a dock hand and continue television repair. In 1963, he moved his business, Hays Television Repair, and his family back to his hometown of Bradford. Mr. Hays also owned and operated a men's store during the 1970's in Bradford.

Mr. Hays was a faithful member of the Bradford Baptist Church since 1963. During this time he donated his time to make sure the sound system operated correctly, did carpentry and electrical work, drove the church van for various activities and provided guitar accompaniment for his wife, Reba.

An automobile enthusiast, Mr. Hays has been a member of the Razorback Antique Auto Club and was currently a member of the Kustom and Klassic Car Club of Searcy. Having restored a 1930 Ford Model A Coupe and a 1955 Buick Roadmaster, he enjoyed showing and driving them in parades throughout the state. In addition to his love for cars, he enjoyed traveling, playing his many guitars and other instruments and spending time with his family and friends.

Visitation will be at the Powell Funeral Home in Bald Knob, Sunday from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. Services will be conducted on Monday, October 18, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. at the Bradford Baptist Church. Interment will follow in the Heard Cemetery by Powell Funeral Home, Bald Knob-Judsonia. Memorials to Trent Hays may be made to the Gideons International or Parkinsons Disease Research. www.powellfuneralhome.net.

Tribute Wall



“ I was sorry to hear of Trent's passing. It was in your home that I first saw a TV program some 60 odd years ago. My family (Carson and Mattie McPherson) and I walked across Frank Rogers property to your house to see the wonderful new (to us) invention.

October 19, 2010 at 12:00 AM



*“ Kevin,
My prayers and thoughts are with your family. After reading the obituary, I know your father has a new home in heaven.*

October 18, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with your family in your time of loss.

October 18, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ reba, joanne, kevin: we are so sorry for your loss. trent was a very special friend to us and i know lots others feel the same. we have often thought about you all and how you and trent were doing - sometimes we wait too late to talk to our friends - of which we are sorry. May your lives be filled with peace and we know trent is at peace. i had lost your phone number but you all were in our thoughts. Love you all.

October 18, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Reba, We remember how gracious you and Trent were to us when we moved to Bradford. I can still hear your singing while he played the guitar for you. Our sympathy to you and your family. Sorry that we could not be there for the services.

October 18, 2010 at 12:00 AM



*“ Reba, Joanne and Kevin,
Thank you for the visitations and contact I had with you all many years ago. They were most enjoyable for me.*

I am saddened by your loss of Trent and wish each of you consolation and contentment in the future.

*Best regards,
Mike Cline
Seattle, WA*

October 18, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ GOD BLESS AND BE WITH YOU AT THIS TIME. REBA, MAY YOU BE STRENGTHENED AND COMFORTED. LOVE, Marshall and Lorene Moody

October 18, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Our deepest sympathy goes out to all Trent's family in this great loss. Trent was a good friend and will be greatly missed.

October 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Sorry to hear of your loss. Me, Daddy and Cindy tried to keep abreast of what all was going on. We all remember your dad as being a good honest and sincere man. We all enjoyed our many visits growing up. Now he's in heaven with my mom, Marcelette. We'll come to visit w/you Reba later, sorry we couldnt make the funeral.

March 18, 2010 at 12:00 AM