



## Bill Payne

December 3, 1938 - July 9, 2014

Bill Payne, 75, of Pleasant Plains died Wednesday, July 9, 2014 at White County Medical Center in Searcy. He was born December 3, 1938 in Marie, Arkansas to the late Sam and Edia McAlister Payne. He was a member of the VFW post 10007 in Pleasant Plains and enjoyed helping with the bingo; Bill was also of the Church of Christ faith.

Survivors include his children, Debra Kay Spradlin of Sherwood, Lisa Diane Payne of Beebe, Larry Allen Payne of Seminole, Texas, Clead Terrill Payne of Conway, Clayla Annette Hicks of Cabot and William Howard Payne of Pleasant Plains; one brother, George Payne of Searcy, 11 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents, a son, Robert Clark Payne; daughter, Bella Ann Payne; and siblings, Juanita Hardin, Harold Payne and Truel Payne.

Visitation will be Friday from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at Powell Funeral Home-Bald Knob. Services will be Saturday, July 12, 2014, 10:00 a.m., Powell Funeral Home Chapel Bald Knob. Interment will follow in Pleasant Plains Cemetery. [www.powellfuneralhome.net](http://www.powellfuneralhome.net)

# Tribute Wall

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“ Bill would be busier than Wylie Coyote with an ACME rocket strapped to his back, getting ready for Friday night bingo. I'd walk in and say, "Hi Bill! How's it goin'?"  
Bill would stop dead in his tracks and glare at me, "Who wants to know?"  
I don't know how he did it, but Bill's 'glare' always twinkled a little. There was a kindness behind his eyes that radiated out to those around him, even when he would regale me with the military insults that show friendship in our Band of Brothers. I spent many afternoons with Bill on his porch, where we discussed and solved the World's problems together, and I feel his loss deeply. I believe those he leaves behind, though, will all take a part of Bill with them. I'll take with me the 'twinkle' that was never absent behind his kind eyes. I visited Bill on his last day. When I left, I told him to rest easy, get well, and I saluted him. Through the pain he was in, with all the wires and tubes attached, Bill found the strength to raise his arm and return the salute. I will miss you, Bill. i will miss you.

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**Mike Smith** - February 10, 2016 at 02:29 PM

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“ Sorry for your loss. You're family is in our prayers.

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**Tami McDougal Pruett** - February 10, 2016 at 02:29 PM

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“ *Clayla and Bodie:*

*We were sorry to hear of the passing of your dad. Our prayers are with you. We still live in Darden TN and would love to hear from you.*

*With Love,  
Barbara Wallace Russell*

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**Barbara Wallace Russell** - March 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM