



## Houston Willard Butler

February 1, 1920 - October 22, 2015

Houston Butler, 95, of Searcy, died Wednesday, October 22, 2015 at Unity Health-White County Medical Center in Searcy. He was born February 1, 1920 in Wilburn, Arkansas, the son of Benjamin and Sarah Boozer Butler.

Mr. Butler is survived by his wife of 45 years, Betty Butler of Searcy; seven children, Terry Butler (Judy) of Pangburn, Dawn Butler-Graves (Lawrence) of Little Rock, Benjamin McLove Butler (Debbie) of Little Rock, Laura Arnold (Steve) of Little Rock, Sam Furo, Jr. of Searcy, Tricia Leovich (Steve) of Plano, Texas, and Carol Fisher (Ken) of Plano Texas; 11 grandchildren, Brice, David, Wade, Ellizabeth, Matthew, Reed, Sarah, Andres, Leon, Aaron, Kasey and Parker; 9 great-grandchildren, Justin, Chelsey, Evan, Kayla, Braxton, Brylie, Ty, Ethan and Joseph; 2 great-great-grandchildren, Avriann and Adaleigh; and several special nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents, one grandchild, and 11 brothers and sisters.

Mr. Butler was a farmer, cattleman, and the owner of the Farmer's Mercantile of Pangburn along with his brother, David. They expanded it into the Butler Brothers Feed Mill. He was on the Planning Committee of the White County Hospital, and served on the original Board of Directors until he was 80 years old. He was the last surviving member of the original Board of Directors. He served 50 years as the Democratic Chairman of the Big Creek Township. He was also on the Pangburn School Board, and served for 50 years on the White County School Board. He served on the Pangburn Water Commission and as Treasurer for the City of Pangburn.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Searcy First Baptist Church Kingdom Kids Building Fund or the Pangburn First Baptist Church.

Visitation will be Sunday from 3 until 5 p.m. at Powell Funeral Home of Searcy. Funeral services will be Monday at 1:30 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Searcy.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Our thoughts and prayers go out to your entire family. Blessing to all. Mr. Butler was a wonderful man.*

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**Terry Rhoads** - May 04, 2016 at 03:21 PM

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“ *We would like to extend our deepest condolences to the family of Houston regarding his passing from this earth. May The Lord grant the family comfort and peace at this time and always.*

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**Sue and Gerald Clayton** - May 04, 2016 at 03:21 PM

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“ *No other Family in my young life shaped me like the Butlers. These folks were memory makers and invested themselves in others. I'm smiling at all the things running through my mind while growing up around you.*

*You are loved,*

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**Michael Fairchild** - May 04, 2016 at 03:21 PM

JC

“ *Joey and I are so sorry for your losd*

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**Jamie cook** - February 10, 2016 at 01:22 PM

LM

“ *Leave a condolence or a memory.I am so sorry for your lose we love you*

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**Lee Ann Wyatt McIntire** - February 10, 2016 at 01:22 PM

LM

“ I am so sorry for your lose we love you

Lee Ann Wyatt McIntire - February 10, 2016 at 01:22 PM

PH

“ Our deepest sympathy. May God comfort you and your family in this great time of need.

Paul and Karla Gunter Hand - February 10, 2016 at 01:22 PM

CL

“ God bless you at this time with the knowledge that we will all be together again with Jesus. Love and prayers. Charles & Gloria Latina and Carol Smith.

Carol Latina-Smith - February 10, 2016 at 01:22 PM

AC

“ MY GRANDFATHER WOULD TAKE ME TO HIS COUNTRY STORE AND LET ME SIT ON THE SADDLES HE HAD FOR SALE. HE WOULD ALWAYS MAKE A FUSS OVER ME AND GIVE ME CANDY. YEARS LATER WE HAD A VERY FONDNESS FOR EACH OTHER.

I BELIEVED HE CARED FOR ME AND I KNOW HE KNEW I CARED DEEPLY FOR HIM.

HE WAS A GREAT MAN AND I WILL MISS HIM. MY THOUGHTS FOR THE FAMILY AND TO HIS WONDERFUL WIFE BETTY.

AUTUMN CONLEY - February 10, 2016 at 01:22 PM

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“ Houston Willard Butler

Michael Fairchild - February 10, 2016 at 01:22 PM

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“ *Sorry for your loss, our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. Aubrey and Katy Rodgers*

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**Aubrey Rodgers** - February 10, 2016 at 01:22 PM