



Lewis Erwin Yingling

March 19, 1926 - April 4, 2020

Lewis Erwin Yingling, 94, of Searcy, died on Saturday, April 4, 2020. Born on March 19, 1926 in Harrison Township, White Co., Arkansas, and preceded in death by parents, James Osco and Hettie Yingling, wife Dot Munger Yingling, son, Phillip Yingling; second wife, Helen McLeod Yingling; and siblings Wanda Jackson, Robert Yingling, Dorothy Arnold, James Yingling and Kathryn Meadows. During World War II he was a corporal in the Army Air Corp and was part of the occupation forces in Bavaria, Germany. There he witnessed the aftermath of the death camps and the Nuremberg War Crimes Trials. At Harding College he met Dot, who became his wife of 61 years. Lewis had a broad career, including stops at Kroger, the HUD Agency, the White County Hospital, and the Kensett and Judsonia Housing Authorities, plus his own house design business. He was a lifelong member of churches of Christ, most recently at the Westside church in Searcy. His fondest church memories were at Sylvan Hills. Beginning in the early 1950s he and Dot joined this congregation just after it started. For over 15 years he was the song leader there as well as a deacon. He will long be remembered for his kindness and humility. He loved growing roses and many enjoyed the hundreds of roses he gave away from his garden.

He is survived by sons Dewitt Yingling of Beebe and J. D. Yingling and wife Kim of Searcy; beloved grandchildren Sebastian Yingling of Little Rock, Christina Yingling of Little Rock, Kevin Yingling of St. Paul, Minnesota, Trent Yingling of Little Rock, and Derek Yingling of Searcy; many dearly loved

nieces, nephews, friends, and fellow residents of his beloved Harding Place. The family thanks Randy and Sandy Reynolds and the Harding Place staff for their loving care for dad over the last ten years.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Yingling Family Scholarship Fund for students majoring in Bible and Ministry at Harding University.

Memorials may be sent to the Harding University Advancement Office, Box 22238, Searcy, AR 72149 designating the Yingling Family Scholarship Fund in the memo line of checks or online at www.harding.edu/advancement

Due to the current COVID-19 pandemic situation, a memorial service for family and friends will be announced at a later date.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Sweet Lewis! He was a neighbor and close friend of our family for years. My dad loved Lewis, and with his design business he helped our family with many additions to our childhood home then later an addition to our home. Rest in peace Lewis!*

Randy and Trish Price

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