



Eldie "Buddy" Caldwell,

January 10, 1924 - December 24, 2009

Bluefield, WV - Eldie C. "Buddy" Caldwell, Jr. 85 of 625 Albemarle Street Bluefield died Thursday December 24, 2009 at a Bluefield hospital. Born January 10, 1924 in Bluefield, WV he was a son of the late Eldie C. Caldwell, Sr. and Alta Keaton Caldwell. He was a member of First Presbyterian Church of Bluefield and a U.S. Army veteran of World War II. Buddy retired from the Norfolk Southern Railway after 40 years of service, and at the time of his retirement, he was Chief Clerk to the Superintendent. Active in civic and community affairs, Buddy served as a volunteer for over 20 years at Bluefield Regional Medical Center and was a member of Bluefield Lions Club, Bluefield Elks Lodge, American Legion and served his church as both Elder and Deacon. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife Hazel B. Caldwell, and three sisters; Lucille Collins, Aileen Hoilman and Nita Caldwell. He is survived by a daughter Ruth Foster of Bluefield, a son Rod Caldwell and his wife Vicki of Hendersonville, NC and grandchildren Eric Foster of Bluefield and Allison Caldwell of Charlotte, NC, and great-granddaughters Hannah and Emily Jo Foster. Funeral services will be conducted Tuesday December 29, 2009 at 11:00 a.m. at First Presbyterian Church with Dr. W. D. Hasty, Jr. officiating. Entombment will follow at Roselawn Memorial Gardens, Princeton, WV. Friends and family members will serve as pallbearers. The family will receive friends Monday December 28, 2009 at Mercer Funeral Home from 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. The family suggests that memorial contributions, if desired be made to the Bluefield Union Mission,

The American Cancer Society or the American Heart Association. Those wishing to share memories or condolence messages with the family may do so by visiting www.MercerFuneralHome.com Mercer Funeral Home & Crematory of Bluefield is serving the Caldwell family.

Tribute Wall



“ *Eldie "Buddy" Caldwell,*

October 05, 2023 at 06:08 PM



“ *With great sadness we learned of our former neighbor and friend. Buddy will be missed.*

James & Mary Leedy - March 07, 2014 at 04:21 PM



“ *Hi Ruthie, I am so very very sorry to hear about the loss of your father. What a terrific man he was, giving, caring and how warm and friendly he always was! I can still see him on stage for the Lion's Club minsterls - "Good ole days!" Anyway, love and prayers for you and your family! Lindsey Grubb Barilla*

Lindsey Grubb Barilla - March 07, 2014 at 04:21 PM



“ *Dear Ruth and Eric, I am so sorry for your loss. Buddy was always upbeat and had a good sense of humor. I know you'll miss him greatly. My prayers will be with you in this time of need. God Bless you. Sharon*

Sharon Ziegler - March 07, 2014 at 04:21 PM



“ *Ruth and Eric: Sorry to hear about your father and grandfather. We send our heart-felt sympathies to both of you and the rest of the family.*

Linda, Larry and Wendy Bray - March 07, 2014 at 04:21 PM

VA

“ I would like to send my condolence to the Caldwell family. In times like this I reflect on the God's promise in John 5;28,29 of a resurrection of our dead loved ones. I hope this note brings you comfort at this time.

vanessa - March 07, 2014 at 04:21 PM

JV

“ Dear Ruthie, Please accept my condolences on the loss of your father. Your family is in my prayers. Janet

Janet (Helmick) Vaughn - March 07, 2014 at 04:21 PM

JB

“ Rod and Ruth, I am sorry to hear about you Dad. I would see him at all of the Bluefield Coal Shows and talk to him about you and the old days. I missed seeing him this year. I will always keep the memories next to my heart. God Bless. Jim Ball

Jim Ball - March 07, 2014 at 04:21 PM

CG

“ Rod,I know you and your family will miss your father. My brothers and I still miss our father even though it has been over 20 years since his death. Ocasionaly one of the brother can mimic my father almost exactly; and my mother who is doing well will still recite a happy memory or achievement. Thinking of you.

Cindy Lilly Gillespie - March 07, 2014 at 04:21 PM

BS

“ Dear Rod, Ruth, and Family, So very sorry to hear about your Dad's passing. I'm sure Christmas Eve is an extra sad time for such an event, but sometimes we just have to accept God's will and timing. I guess I last saw your Dad at a Lions Club meeting during one of my increasingly infrequent trips to Bluefield (since my parents aren't alive to visit anymore). I know he was a very dedicated member of that organization and a good friend of my Dad. I also remember all the way back to the days when we were playing little league football with the Elks and how Bud Caldwell was always around cheering us on and trying to make us better athletes. He will indeed be missed. Please accept sincerest condolences on behalf of Karen and myself. May your entire family find peace and comfort in the New Year. Bill & Karen Spracher

Bill Spracher - March 07, 2014 at 04:21 PM

DS

“ Rod and Ruth, I am so sorry about your Dad. I visited with him at Westwood about 4 years ago and we had a terrific conversation. He remembered me as a football star, so his memory was fading. Our prayers are with you and your families. Dave and Debby Spracher

Dave Spracher - March 07, 2014 at 04:21 PM

GC

“ Dear Rod and Ruth, Please accept our heartfelt sympathies for the repose of your beloved Father. God grant him eternal rest, and give comfort to you in this great loss. We only read about his passing late this evening. Otherwise, I would have tried to make it to his wake. In sympathy, Alex and Ginny

Ginny and Alex Chryssikos - March 07, 2014 at 04:21 PM

LG

“ Ruth, I was saddened to hear of your father's death. I know you have been through lots of trials over the past few years. Caring for aging parents in poor health is challenging. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Peace be yours in the future days. We lost my mother this month also, so I really know what you are going through. She lived one year with us and two years in the nursing home before passing on Dec. 1. She and your father will both be greatly missed, but we know they must be much better now in heaven.

Lisa Dunn Godwin - March 07, 2014 at 04:21 PM

MC

“ Ruthie, I was saddened to hear of your Dad's passing. (Arch) was a good friend over the years. God Bless you and your family at this difficult time.. Mike

Michael Cash - March 07, 2014 at 04:21 PM

AA

“ Ruthie...my thoughts and prayers are with you as you go through this difficult time!!

Angie Alvis - March 07, 2014 at 04:21 PM