



## Mr. William Louis Deere

July 23, 1911 - June 1, 2014

William Louis Deere, age 102 and eleven months, passed away on the evening of Saturday, May 31. He was born in the Rock Hill community to Annie Hesse Deere and Joe Allen Deere. He joins five generations of his family interred in the Rock Hill Cemetery. He became a member of the Rock Hill Baptist Church ninety years ago and was a staunch supporter over the many years. He loved Rock Hill and its people and never wanted to be anywhere else. He is survived by his wife, Ophelia Hall Deere; his son, William J. Deere; grandchildren: William M. Deere, Rebecca Deere Boscarino, Phillip Bryant, and Jeffery Bryant; great-grandchildren: Daniel Lee, Chris Lee, Stephanie Bryant Powell, Trent Bryant, and Stefanie Boscarino; and great-great-grandson, Brody Powell. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Laura Mae Graves Deere; his daughter, Cornelia Bryant, and his granddaughter, Sherry Bryant Lee. For many years he was employed as a construction superintendent and contractor. He specialized in concrete bridge construction, and a long-time employer said that he was the best bridge man in Tennessee. During all those years, he never lost touch with his real love, farming in Rock Hill. He was an extremely generous and moral man who contributed greatly to this family and community. He graduated from Lexington High School in 1929 and briefly attended UT Martin. The family wishes to express their deepest appreciation to Dr. Charles White, Sr. for over forty years of quality medical care and to the owners and staff at Northcliff Assisted Living who provided him with exceptional, loving care during his declining

years. Visitation will begin Wednesday, June 4 at 1:00 p.m. at the Rock Hill Baptist Church followed by the funeral service at 2:00 p.m. Burial will be at the Rock Hill Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family encourages donations to the Rock Hill Baptist Church Building Fund, 605 Rock Hill Road, Lexington, TN 38351.

# Cemetery Details

## Rock Hill Cemetery

Lexington, Tn

# Previous Events

## Church Service

JUN 4. 2:00 AM (CT)

Rock Hill Baptist Church  
Lexington, TN

## Visitation

JUN 4. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Rock Hill Baptist Church  
Lexington, TN

# Tribute Wall

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“ *RIP Mr. William Deere,  
Rock Hill will never be the same without you.  
My deepest sympathy to your family.  
Mr. William was a sweet man and will be missed by so many.  
Amy Campbell  
Daughter of Ella McPeake*

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**Amy Campbell** - June 16, 2014 at 02:45 PM

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“ *Prentice Page lit a candle in memory of Mr.  
William Louis Deere*



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**prentice page** - June 03, 2014 at 12:39 AM

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“ *i saw mr. deere at out fifty year and over class reunion the first of  
may. all ways looked forward too seeing him there as he attended  
every year since i have been going. he will be greatly missed.*

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**prentice page** - June 03, 2014 at 12:38 AM

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“ *Greg Tinin And Family lit a candle in memory  
of Mr. William Louis Deere*



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**Greg Tinin and family** - June 02, 2014 at 08:32 PM

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**Mike** - June 02, 2014 at 08:04 PM