



## ROBERT EDWARD GARDNER, JR.

September 23, 2011

Robert Edward Gardner, Jr., affectionately known as Bob, of Hueytown, passed away Friday, September 23, 2011 at the age of 85. He is survived by his beloved wife of 61 years, Martha Faye, two children, Eddy, and Jan Scott, daughter-in-law, Karyl, sisters-in-law, Barbara Orr and Carolyn Bullard with her husband Walt, four grandchildren, Ryan, Emily, Kasey and Bobby, numerous nieces and nephews, the Spears family, John, Billie Jean, Brooklyn, and Chace, and his beloved dog, Molly. He is preceded in death by his daughter, Barbara Ann, parents, Bob and Lucile Gardner, sister, Jo Rohan and husband Buddy, and his niece and nephew, Cathy and Tommy Rohan. Born September 5, 1926 in Wylam, Alabama, Bob went on to serve his country in World War II, returning to attend and graduate from Alabama Polytechnic Institute, now Auburn University, as a chemical engineer. During this period, Bob met and married Martha Faye Garner and soon welcomed Eddy, Jan, and Barbara Ann into his life. Bob faithfully worked at the U.S. Steel Coke Plant for 30 years before retiring to enjoy his other passions in life: God, his family, his home on Smith Lake, and Auburn football.

To his family, "Pawpaw" is remembered as the man who could fix anything, a master handyman with his ever-present tool belt. He had a hand in improving everyone's home, not only in its plumbing, wiring, doors, paint and foundation, but also in its values, generosity, and devotion to God.

A dedicated man of God, Bob Gardner was a life long member and elder of Wylam Presbyterian Church and most recently Hueytown First United

Methodist Church.

The family will receive friends Monday, September 26, 2011 from 5-7 p.m. at Peoples Chapel Funeral Home. A chapel service will be held Tuesday, September 27, 2011, at the Funeral Home, at 1:00 p.m., with interment to follow at Oakwood Cemetery in Fairfield, Alabama.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Our sincerest sympathy in the loss of a great person and dad. I've known "Mr. Gardner" since I was very young. I have great memories of playing ping pong in the garage at the Wylam house, and learning first hand from him how to fly fish. He will greatly missed.*

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