



Denton Watson

June 26, 1913 - March 11, 2011

Denton Isaac Watson, 97, of 305 Clover Lane died Friday, March 11, 2011 after a short illness. Mr. Watson was born June 26, 1913 in the Climax community of Pittsylvania County a son of Wiley T. Watson and Hattie Walker Watson. He owned and operated a dairy farm in the Ringgold area for 15 years. He was co-owner and operator of Boxwood Dairy, a local distributor of Sealtest Dairy Products, for 28 years until his retirement. On July 28, 1935, he was married to the former Carrie Daniel, who died May 1, 2001. Mr. Watson was a member of Ringgold Baptist Church, where he had served as a deacon and a trustee. He served on the Board of Directors of Virginia Bank & Trust Company for 23 years. Mr. Watson also was previously on the Board of Southern States Cooperation, Registrar and Election Clerk for the Glenwood precinct, member of the Dan River Ruritan Club, where he served as president and treasurer and on the Board of Directors for the Ringgold Volunteer Fire Department, serving as treasurer. Survivors include two daughters, Nevada Watson Grubb and husband, Carl Grubb of Mocksville, NC and Lorell Watson Jefferson and husband, Jimmy Jefferson of Danville; grandson and wife, Larry and Patti Clark of Charlotte, NC; granddaughter and husband, Karen and Gary Webb of Salisbury, NC; granddaughter and husband, Robyn and Joe Earnhardt of Rockwell, NC; granddaughter and husband, Terri and Todd Anthony of Wake Forest, NC; granddaughter and husband, Kelly and Dustin Bowman of Harrisonburg, VA; great-grandchildren, Brandi Lipe, Brooke Sellers, Chelsea and Andrew Clark; Dustin, Jennifer,

Brittany and Alex Earnhardt; Parker, Kellan and Camryn Anthony; Grady Bowman and two great-great-granddaughters, Sophie and Stella Lipe. Mr. Watson is also survived by three sisters, Becky Owen of Chatham, Margaret Edwards of Gretna and Agnes Williams of Ringgold. In addition to his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by four brothers, Harold, Wesley, Rhoderic and Wiley, Jr. and six sisters, Myrtle Owen, Gertrude Linthicum, Eva Ramsey, Jane Nance, Hazel Oakes and Mabel Tomberlin. Funeral services will be conducted on Saturday, March 12, 2011 at 3:00 P.M. from the Ringgold Baptist Church by the Reverend Carl Burger, the Reverend John Groff and the Rev. Dr. Steve Ellis. Interment will follow in Highland Burial Park. The family will receive friends beginning at 1:30 at the church prior to the service and other times at the residence. The family suggests memorial contributions to the Ringgold Fire & Rescue P.O. Box 10 Ringgold, VA 24586. Wrenn-Yeatts North Main Chapel is serving the Watson family.

Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Family,

*I don't think I have seen Uncle Denton but once since I was a teenager (and I am now 46), but looking at the picture posted here, I see a smile and expression that are familiar to me through my grandmother, his sister, Hazel Oakes. I wish you all comfort and peace in your time of loss. Blessings--
Beth*

Beth Oakes - March 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ *We were so blessed to get to know my Uncle Denton. We will always remember his kind ways and loving heart.*

Kathy and Gil Collins - March 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM