



Hillard Derossett

June 30, 1920 - August 7, 2012

Mr. Hillard Derossett, age 92, passed away Tuesday, August 7, 2012 at Roman Eagle Memorial Home after a decline in health. Mr. Derossett was born on June 30, 1920 in Prestonburg, Kentucky, a son of the late Saul Derossett and the late Belle Sizemore Derossett. He had lived in Kentucky and West Virginia and moved to Danville after his retirement from Aromco Steel Company. He was a member of Brush Arbor Baptist Church. He was the last survivor of his generation. He was first married to Gwendolyn Derossett, who died on June 4, 1988 and later married Mary Jane Moorefield Derossett, who died on November 1, 2006. Mr. Derossett will be missed by his devoted friend and Christian caregiver, Nancy Kapornyai of Danville. A Celebration of Life Service will be conducted at 11:00 am, Thursday, August 9, 2012 from Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel with the Reverend Daryl Joyce officiating. Interment will follow in Danville Memorial Gardens. A visitation of friends will be held one hour prior to the service, 10:00 to 11:00 am at the funeral home. Mr. Derossett requested, In lieu of flowers, donations to be made to the Danville Life Saving Crew, 202 Christopher Lane, Danville, Va. 24541. Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel is respectfully serving the Derossett family.

Tribute Wall

JF

“ I am saddened today to hear of the death of Hillard. He was a good man...a friend and neighbor to our family for many years. He worked at the same mines as my father. I spent many hours over the years sitting in their yard talking and laughing. I was just a boy, but Hillard and Gwendolyn treated me kindly and with respect. Our family thought a great deal of them, and their extended family. We send them all our love and sympathy at this time.

Eddie Farley

James E. Farley - August 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RD

“ Uncle Hillard DeRossett, Ronnie and I are heartbroken and heartsick to learn of your passing. Thank you for intrusting us to get the ball rolling and the word of your passing spread among your nieces and nephews. You knew we would do it for sure. We did not spend much time together, however, that did not reflect any less love shared between us. You will be remembered as one who rose above and beyond his upbringing. We will remember you as a hard working, fun-loving, honest, generous, caring, good moral Christian man. Ronnie remembers when you bought Ashland's kids their first TV. You made four kids very happy. I remember the happy-go-lucky, positive attitude, concerned soul who was a delight with whom to socialize. So sorry your name was not spelled correctly...it is here. Oh, and by the way...you made it on Facebook! I know you had to TeeHee for at least one hour over that!!! For as long as we live...you too will live in our hearts. We love you. Rest In Peace
Uncle Hillard DeRossett~~~

Ronnie & Jackie DeRossett - August 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

NH

“ Dear Uncle Hillard All your nieces and nephews on Gwen's side mourn your passing and loved you very much. You will forever be in our hearts. You were greatly admired by all of us. So sorry you were taken advantage of. May you rest in peace from all of us!

nieces and nephews of Hillard - August 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ I will always remember him for his generous and humorous attitude whenever he was visiting. I was always amazed by the way he handled his disability and never let it bother or comprise any thing he did. He was a constant joy to be around and me and my wife deeply regret his passing.

Carl & Diane Lafferty - August 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AD

“ I Love you, Uncle Hillard. I'm sorry I didn't get to come see you in May like I had wanted. I will see you tomorrow one last time with Aunt Gwendolyn..Love, Alan

Alan DeRossett - August 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

FB

“ Uncle, You will be missed by all of the family, I know we didn't get to see you but you were always in our prayers. So glad my Mom(Lula Mae DeRossett and I got to talk to you last fall.

Fern Breault - August 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ You were my wonderful neighbor in Longacre, WV during all my childhood years. May you rest in peace.....

Miriam (Bell) Taylor - August 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM