



Rev. Olaf Ozell Patterson

January 11, 1924 - July 17, 2008

Rev. Olaf Ozell Patterson, of Sweetwater, TN, went home to be with the Lord on Thursday, July 17, 2008 at Sweetwater hospital. He was 84 years of age and a charter member of Erie Church of God. Preceded in death by infant daughter, Loretta Mae Patterson, granddaughter Joy (Patterson) Youakim and grandson-in-law, David Sproul. He is survived by his devoted wife of 65 years, Anna Mae (Rinehart) Patterson; three children, Judy Henry and husband Ron of Knoxville, TN ; Noel Patterson and Wife Kathi of Lenoir City, TN and Wayne Patterson and wife Denise of Sweetwater, TN; six adoring grandchildren, Scott (Margy) Henry, Kristal Sproul, Noelle (Brian) Walker, Holly (Chad) Powers, Whitney (Travis) Tilley and Ashley Thacker; nine loving great-grandchildren, Corey Spoon, Madison and Savannah Walker, Sydney and Riley Henry, Charli Barry, Stella and Silas Tilley and Shelby Sproul. Coming from a family of 12 children, he is survived by four sisters, two brothers and a host of friends and family. Ozell was a decorated veteran of World War II, having served in the European theater. The family will receive friends on Saturday, July 19, 2008, from 4 to 8 pm at Kyker Funeral Home, Sweetwater, TN. Funeral services will be conducted on Sunday, July 20 at 11:00 AM at the Erie Church of God, with Rev. Tommy Patterson, Rev. Melvin Walker, and Rev. Arnold Whitson officiating. Interment will follow at Clark Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Clark Cemetery. Kyker Funeral Home, Sweetwater, in charge of arrangements.