



## William L. Thompson Sr.

August 7, 1920 - April 8, 2015

William L. Thompson Sr., age 94, of Philadelphia passed away on Wednesday, April 8, 2015. He was a lifetime member and deacon at First Baptist Church of Philadelphia. A former owner and operator of the Thompson's General Store in Philadelphia, and he later became a rural mail carrier for the Philadelphia Post Office for 18 years. He also worked in Washington D.C. as a telegraph messenger during WWII. He was a graduate of Joe Tinker's Baseball Academy in Orlando, Florida. He was a devoted Christian who loved God. He also loved playing baseball and softball and watching ballgames. He truly loved his family.

He is preceded in death by his wife of 67 years, Ruth McDaniel Thompson, Parents: C.E. and Pearl Hartsell Thompson, Brothers: Buster Thompson and David Thompson, Great – Grandson: Mark Collier, Jr.

Survived by Son: William L. Thompson Jr., Daughter and Son-in-Law: Sherry and James Thomas, all of Philadelphia, Grandchildren: Cindy and Mark Collier, Lee Ann Marie and Le Brandon, Ashley Coursey & Darrell, Great-grandchildren: Taylor Collier, Laken Collier, Noah Collier, Emma Harness, Chloe Coursey and Carston T. Coursey, Sisters-in-Law and Brother-in-Law: Jean and Bob Shell, of Philadelphia, and Ann Thompson, of Knoxville, Brother-in-Law: Clarence Ray McDaniel, of Sweetwater.

The family will receive friends at The First Baptist Church of Philadelphia on Friday, April 10, 2015 from 5P.M. until 7P.M. with the funeral service to follow at 7P.M. with Rev. Brian Courtney officiating. Graveside service and interment will be held on Saturday, April 11, 2015 at 10A.M. in the Christianburg Cemetery. Kyker Funeral Homes, Sweetwater is in charge of all the arrangements. [www.kykerfuneralhomes.com](http://www.kykerfuneralhomes.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Christianburg Baptist Church Cemetery

Sweetwater, TN 37874

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 9. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church of Philadelphia  
Philadelphia, TN

## Funeral Service

APR 9. 7:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church of Philadelphia  
Philadelphia, TN

## Graveside Service

APR 11. 10:00 AM (ET)

Christianburg Baptist Church Cemetery  
Sweetwater, TN 37874

# Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of William L. Thompson Sr..*



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“ *Deepest sympathy to all Thompson family members,so very sorry for your loss! Pat, Donnie,& Lisa Thomas*

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