



## Melvin "Poppy" Mitchem

June 25, 1920 - December 13, 2011

Melvin C. "Poppy" Mitchem, age 91, of Sevierville, TN formerly of Gaston County, NC, went to be with his Lord on Tuesday, December 13, 2011 in Sevierville, TN.

He was born in Bessemer City, North Carolina on June 25, 1920 to the late Sidney Melachia and Sarah Ada Shires Mitchem.

He was raised in Gaston County and worked all his life in cotton mills in and around Belmont, NC.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Dolly Jenkins Mitchem and first wife, Margaret Armstrong Mitchem; and son Reverend Dean Mitchem; 1 brother, 4 sister, 2 stepdaughters and 2 grandchildren.

"Poppy" is survived by his children, Brenda Helton (Roger) of Belmont, NC and their children, Chris, Kevin, Heather and their spouses; Gwendolyn Waddle (Ron) of Belmont, NC and their children, Brian Whiteside and Rick Whiteside and their spouses, Lynn Dixon (Sammy) and her children, Scott and Chynee of Belmont, NC; daughter-in-law, Nancy Mitchem and her children, Keith and Andy of Kannapolis, NC; sixteen great-grandchildren; nine great great-grandchildren; stepson, Bobby Hamrick of Gastonia, NC; stepdaughter, Kathy Dixon of West Virginia; sister, Zona Metcalf of Dallas, NC; special nephew and his wife, Bob and Gail Reese of Claremont, NC; and numerous other nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends from 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Thursday December 15, 2011 in Manes Funeral Home Chapel with funeral services following at

1:00 pm with Mark Nantz officiating. Burial will follow in Hannon-Bryant Cemetery, Newport, TN.

Manes Funeral Home in charge.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Melvin "Poppy" Mitchem*

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November 17, 2022 at 06:00 PM