



L.S. Bales

December 14, 1924 - September 6, 2013

L.S. Bales, 88, of Rose Hill, went to be with the Lord on Friday, September 06, 2013 at Claiborne County Hospital from complications due to a long battle with kidney and cardiovascular disease.

L.S. was born on December 14, 1924, in Rose Hill, the third out of five children, to the late Howell Edgar and Etta Jane Dean Bales. He lived in Rose Hill all of his life and was a member of Rose Dale Baptist Church from a young age. He served his country proudly during World War II in the Pacific Theater as a member of the United States Army's 305th Infantry, Company A, 77th Division. He saw action in areas including Guam, Leyte, Ie Shima and Okinawa where he was wounded and received the Purple Heart. He drove a school bus for twenty years for the Lee County Public School System and was a farmer who worked and loved his family farm his entire life.

In addition to his parents, L.S. was preceded in death by his sister, Hallene Kelly, two brothers-in-law, Ben Kelly and Edgar "Jack" Smyth, a nephew, Gene Kelly and parents-in-law, Frank and Birdie Turner.

Left to cherish his memory are his loving wife of 57 years, Jewell Turner Bales and two devoted children, Jay L. Bales and Sue Ann Bales, all of Rose Hill; one brother, Eugene Bales and wife Jeanette, of Chattanooga, TN; and two sisters, Ada Dare Smith, of Noblesville, IN and Betty Ruth Jones and husband

Roscoe, of Vinton, VA. Seven nieces and nephews also survive along with a host of extended family members, special neighbors and close friends to mourn his passing.

The family will receive friends from 6 until 8:00 p.m. Sunday, September 8, at Robinette Funeral Home in Rose Hill. The funeral service will follow at 8:00 p.m. with Reverends Kevin Jerrell and Norman Clark officiating. The committal service and interment will be held at 11:00 a.m. Monday, September 9, at Lee Memorial Gardens Park West in Rose Hill. Everyone is asked to meet at the funeral home by 10:30 a.m. Monday to travel in procession to the cemetery.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 8. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Robinette Funeral Home (Rose Hill)
207 DeRoyal Industries Drive
P.O. Box 388
Rose Hill, VA 24281
(276) 445-5101

Funeral service

SEP 8. 8:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *L.S. Bales*

October 05, 2023 at 07:31 PM



“ *Jewell, Sue Ann & Jay, I am so sorry to learn about the loss of L.S. We have so many fond memories of L.S. Your husband and father was such a good man. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time.*

*Our deepest sympathies,
Rose Anna Edds Copeland and Family, Brandon, Mississippi*

Rose Copeland - September 16, 2013 at 03:16 PM



“ *Jewel, Sue Ann & Jay, I am sorry about the loss of LS. He was a fine fellow and i enjoyed all the times that i spent with him. He will truly be missed. I am so glad that I had the opportunity to meet him and all of you. My thoughts are with you at this time.*
Ronnie & Pam Marsee Middlesboro, Ky.

Ronnie Marsee - September 15, 2013 at 09:11 PM



KL

“ *Jewell & Family,*

We're sorry to hear of the passing of L.S. He was always kind and compassionate, with words of encouragement, particularly in our formative years. One often doesn't realize the influence they have and perhaps L.S. may have been one of those. As for Jerry and me, we were always impressed with the man L.S. exhibited in life. May God comfort you.

The Loftice Family in Georgia (Ken, Jerry, & Ruth)

Ken Loftice - September 11, 2013 at 12:12 PM

JL

“ *My brother, David and I, were privileged to spend a week every summer on the farm with our Bales relatives. We have such fond memories of Uncle L.S. and the farm- we think our time spent helped make us the people we are today. He will be missed. It was such a delight to talk to friends and relatives to share memories on Monday. As my minister says, "It's Easter morning " for L.S.*
Joy Bales Ludwig

Joy Bales Ludwig - September 11, 2013 at 10:23 AM

BB

“ *To the Bales family -*
I am sorry about your loss. My dad drove the school bus with Mr. Bales and always had good things to say and good stories to tell about him. I'm sure you have many good memories.
Brenda Bailey

Brenda Bailey - September 09, 2013 at 02:42 PM

SA

“*Jewel, Sue Ann and Jay- We send you our deepest sympathy for the passing of Uncle L.S. He was a great man, and he will be deeply missed. All of you are in our thoughts and prayers! I have many fond memories of family reunions spent on the farm and riding on the tractor with Uncle L.S. I know that he will be missed by many!!*



Scott & Kristin Allen

Scott & Kristin Allen - September 09, 2013 at 08:26 AM

DM

“*Many prayers for the family of LS. I have many fond memories of him driving me home from Rose Hill Elementary School. He was such a nice man with a kind heart. I enjoyed talking to him daily and I am sure he will be missed by many.*

Diane Maness-Kegley - September 08, 2013 at 12:13 PM

KB

“*Jewel, Sue Ann and Jay - On behalf of LS's dear friend, Charles Hobbs, we are so very sorry on the loss of LS. We always enjoyed our visits with you and are saddened with LS's passing. Please accept our sincerest sympathies and know you are all in our thoughts and prayers during this most difficult time. How fortunate to have lived his life surrounded by a loving family and friends. We will miss our friend.*

Charles & Bernice Hobbs and family of Connersville, Indiana

Karen Hobbs Bales - September 08, 2013 at 08:46 AM

KB

“ Karen Hobbs Bales lit a candle in memory of L.S. Bales



Karen Hobbs Bales - September 08, 2013 at 08:36 AM

NN

“ Sue Ann and Jay, I am so very sorry that you lost your father. I know that you cherished him.

Nell Newman - September 08, 2013 at 07:03 AM

RH

“ Sue Ann...sorry to hear about your loss. Thinking of you and your family.

Robin Cody Hall - September 08, 2013 at 03:07 AM

HL

“ We are sorry and want to let you know that our love and prayers are with you.
Both Sharon and I lift you up to God; may He give you peace.

Harry Layell - September 07, 2013 at 07:32 PM

SK

“ Sorry to hear of L S passing. He leaves another empty seat at Rose Dale, always knew where to look for him. Love to Jewel, Jay and Sue Ann. Will be praying for you all.

Sandra Wilson Kohlhepp - September 07, 2013 at 06:18 PM

JM

“ Sorry to hear of your father's passing. I know he fought a hard battle. We will be praying for your family.

Josh McMurray - September 07, 2013 at 05:05 PM

FP

“ Sorry for your loss ..Heaven sure gained a great man..Kindness and caring for all of you the family was what he wanted to do...God Bless you all with love and great memories...Fred Pauley

Freddie Pauley - September 07, 2013 at 02:30 PM