

Dalton Harris, 85, Lamar, Mo., went home to be with his Lord on Dec. 28, 2007, after many years of ill health. He passed away at home by the side of his loving wife of 63 years, Mary Jo.

Dalton was born on July 11, 1922, in Kenoma, Mo., to Homer and Effie Harris. He graduated from Golden City High School and then attended the University of Missouri at Columbia, majoring in agriculture. After college he married Mary Jo Frow on March 18, 1945. The couple purchased a farm in the Kenoma area where he farmed for 44 years. He was the proud father of four children. During his life he was a member of the First Baptist Church, of Lamar. He was a deacon for over 60 years and taught Sunday school for many years.

Dalton's achievements include the 1952 Outstanding Achievement Award for the Balanced Farming Contest; 1965 Region V Second Place Missouri Soy Bean Contest; and the 1971 Outstanding Achievement Award for the Farm Management Program. Dalton was presented the Missouri College of Agriculture Centennial Medallion and was a charter member of Barton County Ambulance District Board of Directors.

He loved Barton County and the surrounding areas history and was very active in the Barton County Historical Society. He loved to write in his journal and wrote a daily entry beginning in 1980, and ending in August of 2007.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Jo; four children, Jim and wife, Glenda Harris, of Alamogordo, N.M., Nancy and husband, Steve Gilkey, of Lamar, Marianne Reed, of Lamar, and David and wife, Kim Harris, of Lake St. Louis, Mo.; nine grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren and two on the way. He was preceded in death by his parents, Homer and Effie (Hunter) Harris; and brothers, Dwight Harris, Claude Harris and Dwain Harris.

IN MEMORY OF
Dalton Harris

July 11, 1922 – December 28, 2007

FUNERAL SERVICE

3:00 p.m. Sunday
December 30, 2007
First Baptist Church

OFFICIATING

Rev. Robb Hodson
John Gilkey, Eulogy

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"How Great Thou Art"
Joe Ramseyer, Vocalist
"Shine Jesus Shine"
Trombone Solo, Nathan Ramseyer
"I'll Fly Away"
Kevin Stewart, Vocalist
Carol Reavley, Organist

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Fishermen Sunday School Class & Wives

PALLBEARERS

John Gilkey Chad Harris Adam Reed
Brad Reed Andy Harris Jeff Gardner
Daniel Young Greg Harris

AT REST

Lake Cemetery



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