



The Twenty-Third Psalm

*The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
He leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the
paths of righteousness for His name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of
the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:
for Thou art with me; Thy rod and
Thy staff they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me in the
presence of mine enemies: Thou anointest
my head with oil; my cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life: and I will dwell in
the house of the Lord forever.*



William Rufus Marter

July 4, 1930 – December 10, 2024

William Rufus Marter age 94, passed away Tuesday, December 10, 2024, at North Mississippi Medical Center in Eupora, MS. Rufus was born July 4, 1930, in Webster County, MS to Joseph Andrew Marter and Willie Mae Clanton Marter. Rufus worked for a short while in a factory, but decided farming was his true calling and farmed until the age of fifty. He was well known for his huge gardens as a matter of fact, one of his favorite things to do was give away his vegetables. Another enterprise he enjoyed was farm equipment sales. Rufus loved going to equipment auctions and maintained a tractor lot by his home in Bellefontaine, Marter Equipment for years buying and selling equipment until COVID closed it down. Rufus was a devoted caregiver to his wife, Catherine "Cat" for many years until her death in 2005. In the fall of 2006, Rufus married Faye Pritchett Perkins. They have been married almost eighteen years. Rufus was an avid hunter and loved spending time with his big yellow cat, A.J. and eating at Mitchell's Central Service Grill in Eupora, MS. Mr. Marter is survived by his wife, Faye Perkins Marter, Bellefontaine, MS; four daughters, Linda (Gary) Rook, Mathews, LA, Anne (Woody) McGee, Eupora, MS; Sherri (Barry) Reedy, Bellefontaine, MS and Tammy Ellis, Mathiston, MS; one sister, Patti (Jerry) Toney, Grenada, MS; eleven grandchildren; fourteen great grandchildren and two great great grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his first wife, Mary Catherine "Cat" Marter; both parents, Joseph Andrew and Willie Mae Clanton Marter; one daughter, Rachel McBride; one grandson, Ben Rook and three sisters, Ruby Helen (Kitty) Marter Beck, Mattie Mae Marter Middleton and Earlene Marter.

Officiants

*Rev. Josh Bingham
Rev. Hugh Bland*

Music

*Mrs. Selena Knight
Mrs. Christy Latham
Mrs. Jennifer Roberts*

Pallbearers

*Jonathan Salley
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Matt Ellis
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Professional Services Entrusted to

Oliver Funeral Home
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Service of Celebration and Remembrance of the Life of

William Rufus Marter

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Funeral Service

Sunday, December 15, 2024
Two O'clock in the Afternoon
Fellowship Baptist Church
Bellefontaine, Mississippi

Interment

Philadelphia Cemetery
Webster County, Mississippi

Officiating

Rev. Josh Bingham
Rev. Hugh Bland