



Kenneth Wilson

May 31, 1920 - March 27, 2011

Kenneth Wilson, affectionately known as "Daddytruck," 90, formerly of Lake Hamilton, Florida, passed away Sunday, March 27 at Westminster Oaks after a long, full life.

A memorial service will be held on Thursday, March 31 at 3 p.m. at Faith Presbyterian Church, 2200 North Meridian Road, with a reception to follow in the Fellowship Hall.

Ken was born in Chestnut Lick, West Virginia, on May 31, 1920, into a large, hardworking family. After his childhood, he moved to Florida and married Lorene Johnson Wilson in 1941. They resided in Lake Hamilton until 2006 when they relocated to Tallahassee.

Ken served on the front lines during WWII as a staff sergeant under General George S. Patton. His company was attached and fought wherever and whenever they were needed most. He fought in the Battle of the Bulge in 1944 and in the Ardennes Forest. He earned two purple hearts and surprised himself by returning home to his wife and first-born, in one piece. After his military service, he owned a commercial trucking business for more than 40 years, traveling all over the United States, making friends everywhere he went. Ken could give you detailed directions to almost any place in the United States and quote mileages between places with great accuracy.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Henderson "Bill" and Rachel Meadows Wilson; brothers Ferrell, Arland and Arnett Wilson; and sisters Josephine Sims, Garnett Hartman and Flora Wilson.

In addition to his devoted wife of 69 years, Ken is survived by a son, Kenneth R. Wilson and his wife, Ann, of Tallahassee; daughter, Lynn Wilson Cox and her husband Tom, also of Tallahassee; five grandchildren, Chris Cox (China) of Big Sky, MT; Darbi Cox of Tampa; Meghan Cox Mick (Russ) of Tallahassee; Kelly Wilson Garland (Mark) of Tallahassee; Kevin Wilson (Sarah) of Neptune Beach; four great-grandchildren, Katie Garland, Grace Garland, Kasey Mick and Lowell Mick; a brother, Harold Wilson (Jean) of Grantsville, WV; sisters Pauline Bennett of Orlando and Carolyn Kemper (Jim) of Camden, WV; and numerous nieces, nephews, and great-nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests contributions be made to Lake Hamilton Presbyterian Church, Post Office Box 116, Lake Hamilton, Fla., 33851 or Faith Presbyterian Church, 2200 North Meridian Road, Tallahassee, 32301; or Big Bend Hospice, 1723 Mahan Center Boulevard, Tallahassee, FL 32308. Bevis Funeral Home is handling arrangements.

Previous Events

Service

MAR 31. 3:00 PM (ET)

Faith Presbyterian Church
2200 North Meridian Rd.
Tallahassee, FL 32303