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WILLIAM CLAUDE SMITH

William Claude Smith, son of Martin and Easter Smith, was born March 9, 1900, near Berryville, Arkansas, and departed this life, due to a heart attack, July 30, 1963 at the Waynesville General Hospital at the age of 63 years, 4 months and 23 days.

In 1924 he was united in marriage to Lula G. Turner and to this union 6 children were born.

His wife Lula having passed away in September 1954, he was again united in marriage March 24, 1956 to Edna Scarson of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Six years ago he rededicated his life to Christ and joined the Hopewell Baptist Church, where he remained active in church activities until his passing.

Three Children, also, having preceded Mr. Smith in death

he leaves to mourn his passing, his devoted wife Edna of the home, 1 Son William Claude

Smith Jr. of Houston, Missouri, 1 Stepson Jonnie Scarson of

Iowa City, Iowa, 2 Daughters,

Virginia M. Page and Vesta A. Welch both of Big Piney, Mis-

souri. His Father and Mother

Martin C. and Easter Smith,

Big Piney, Missouri, 1 Step-

daughter Bonnie Welch, Tulsa,

Oklahoma; 6 Brothers, Clyde

Smith, Hazelgreen, Mo., Dewey

Smith, Roby, Mo., Henry Smith,

Dallas Smith, Shorman Smith,

Modesto, California, Floyd Smith

of Ceres, California, One Sister

Bessie Page of Merced, Califor-

nia. One Brother and Sister Roy

Smith and Clara Iano having

preceded him in death. He

also leaves 6 Grandchildren and

3 Step Grandchildren. One Grand-

child having preceded him in

death. Also surviving are his

many friends and other relatives.

Funeral services were held

Friday August 2, 1963 at 2 PM

at the Hopewell Baptist Church

at Big Piney, Missouri with the

Reverend Reavil Hunkins of-

ficiating. Interment was in Big

Piney Cemetery under direction

of Moss - Williams of Waynes-

ville.