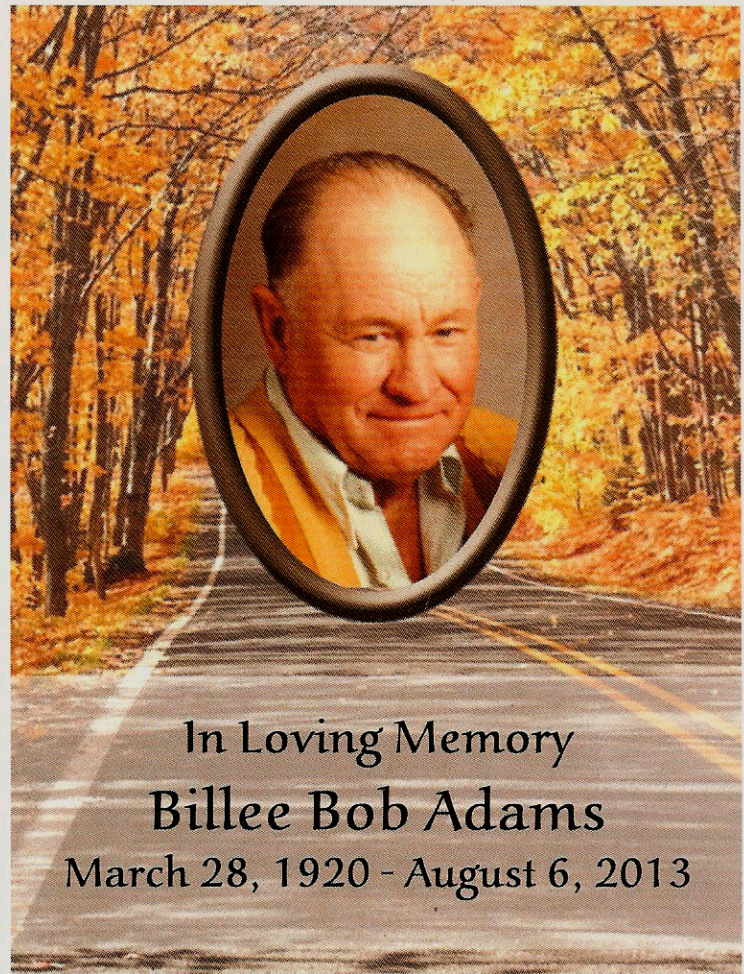


APPRECIATION

On behalf of Billee Bob's family,
we wish to express their gratitude
for your many kindnesses
evidenced in thought and deed,
and for your attendance
at the funeral service.

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Billee Bob Adams, age 93, rural Lamar left behind his tired earthly shell to join his Lord in heaven, Tuesday, August 6, 2013 at Truman Healthcare.

Billee Bob was born March 28, 1920 near Lamar; one of three children born to Oscar Franklin and Sarah Mary "Mae" (Reynolds) Adams. He lost his father a month before his 11th birthday, which placed a large weight on his untrained shoulders. He provided for his grieving mother and himself with his sharp eyed shooting of rabbits which were taken for sale in town. Mae gathered poke and dandelion green to accompany the game he and his gun provided. It was two years into the "Great Depression" which compounded their situation. By age 14 he had begun his truck driving career hauling coal from the Milford coal veins. Partnering with his brother, C.O. "Brother" Adams, he made many trips to Kansas, Iowa, and beyond.

After marrying the only woman he ever loved, Hazel Ryan, on August 1, 1940, he eventually went west to California, hoping to better provide for her and their first daughter. He worked as a city bus driver and in the growing aircraft industry. Before leaving to serve in the Navy during World War II, the family purchased their first home on College Street in Lamar. After his discharge, he purchased two trucks and a combine and with his wife and two small daughters, followed the wheat harvest through many states, returning to Lamar in the fall of 1947.

B.B. continued to follow his trucking business until purchasing his farm in 1951. It was his trucks and driving expertise that made the trip to Washington D.C. in January 1949 when Harry S. Truman took the oath of office as the 33rd President of the United States; and by the Grace of God, three Missouri men with grit and determination made the world aware that great men grow strong in small Midwest towns and villages.

B.B. Adams is survived by three daughters and their husbands; Tina and Don Sieberns of Des Moines, IA, Frances and Dennis Cato and Connee and Mack Forrester, all of Lamar; three grandsons, David (Suzanne) Cato, Stephen (Debbie) Cato, Lamar and Robert (Allison) Sieberns, Olpe, Kansas; and granddaughter, Heather (Matt) Perry, Des Moines, IA. He leaves seven great-grandchildren, Drew (Cristine) Cato, Shelby (Luke) Davey and Johnna Cato, Lamar, MO, Zadok and Judah Perry and Adrianna and Arlis Sieberns; and three great-great-grandchildren, Evan, Dayton and Natalie Cato. Also surviving are four nieces.

Billee Bob was preceded in death by his parents, a brother, C.O. and wife Hazel Adams, and a sister Lona and husband Harry Yohe, a niece, Mary Katherine Casement, a nephew, C. O. Adams Jr., a great grandson, Stetson James Cato, and his wife of nearly 72 years.

IN MEMORY OF

Billee Bob Adams

March 28, 1920 - August 6, 2013

FUNERAL SERVICE

2:00 p.m. Saturday August 10, 2013
Daniel Funeral Home Chapel

OFFICIATING

Rob Wilson

MUSIC SELECTIONS

"Give Me Jesus" - Violinist: Heather Sieberns Perry

"The Old Rugged Cross" - "Amazing Grace"

Vocalist: Mike Gage

Pianist: Jacque Gage

PALLBEARERS

David Cato - Stephen Cato - Robert Sieberns

Matt Perry - Drew Cato - Luke Davey

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Rocky Higgins - Dennis Cato - Don Sieberns

Mack Forrester - Don Morrow

AT REST

Memory Gardens Cemetery
Lamar, Missouri