



Harold R. Bennett

April 1, 1941 - February 25, 2013

Harold R. Bennett 71 of Bloomington, IN went to be with the lord on the 25th of February.

Harold was born April 1, 1941 in Paoli, IN to George and Lora (Apple) Bennett.

Harold was married to Bonnie (Apple) Bennett for 51 ½ years she survives also.

Surviving is son, Tim Bennett (Lynn) of Bloomfield; daughter, Beth Wilson (Michael)

of Indianapolis; 5 grandchildren, Amber, Scott and Jason Bennett, Ashley and Joshua Wilson; 3 step-grandchildren, James, Codi and Shay Bays; sisters-in-law, Bernadina Bennett of Paoli, Roberta Bennett of Paoli and several nieces and nephews.

Harold worked 39yrs. At RCA and the last 14 years at Marsh Supermarket on the eastside

Member of the West 2nd St. Church of Christ.

Funeral services will be Friday March 1, 2013 at 11:00 am at Chandler Funeral Home with Bro. Michael Davis officiating. Burial at Valhalla Memory Gardens. Friends may call on the family Thursday 2/28/2013 from 4-8pm at

the funeral home.

Cemetery Details

Valhalla Memory Gardens

310 North Johnson Avenue
Bloomington, IN 47403

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 28. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Chandler Funeral Homes - Ellettsville Chapel
203 E. Temperance Street
Ellettsville, IN 47429
(812) 876-6075
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Service

MAR 1. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Bonnie and kids, although not kids any longer, we all get older. I remember the times at the Ellettsville congregation, some of my first sermons and your faithfulness in always being there. May God bless you in this time of sorrow. Jane and I are both planning on visiting, but just in case I wanted to send this note of sympathy.

Gary & Jane Fiscus - February 28, 2013 at 12:10 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Harold R. Bennett.



February 28, 2013 at 08:46 AM

MM

“ Harold was such a great example of a Christian. He showed his love for the Lord in all he did. He had a great knowledge of the Scriptures. Don and I both thought so much of him and had such high respect for him. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him. Bonnie, Beth, and Tim I'm so sorry for your loss.

Margo Miller

Margo Miller - February 27, 2013 at 11:14 PM

CJ

“ I’ve known Harold and Bonnie for several years-what a truly wonderful couple! Their love for each other is inspirational. Of course we will miss Harold’s wisdom, humility, hospitality and genuine concern for others...these qualities would be hard for anyone to be able to duplicate to the degree that he exemplified them, but we should be encouraged to try. I believe he would want that. He would encourage us all to do our best to live our lives the way Christ lived his life. When I read this verse, Harold comes to mind: “He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?” (Micah 6:8) What a quiet, humble man! I will miss the sparkle in Harold’s eye, his sense of humor, and his quiet way of seeking out the truth. We lost a valuable and much loved member of our (spiritual) family this week and we will miss him dearly. I’m truly thankful for all the wonderful memories I have of Harold. Our entire family will miss you, dear friend. Thanks for your kindness, patience, and humble example.

Cymme Jent & Family

Cymme Jent - February 27, 2013 at 10:40 PM

“ Mike’s Musings

How Are the Mighty Fallen

When King David learned of the deaths of King Saul and his son Jonathan (David’s “best friend”), his cry was, “How are the mighty fallen!” (2 Samuel 1:19 – 27) Last Monday afternoon, a similar cry rose from the grieving hearts of Spiritual Israel when we learned of the death of HAROLD BENNETT.

Harold’s life was never one of luxury; it wouldn’t have suited him. His was not a life of formal education; it wouldn’t have suited him. However, when exemplifying humility and appreciation for “all things that pertain to life and godliness” (2 Pet. 1:3), Harold was comforted, and extremely well educated! In fact, when you consider the life of Harold Bennett, you find a life of many trials and tribulations; some being of such severity one wonders how he endured! His answer was, “God’ll get us through. We’re alright.” God always did and they were!

Harold had served the Lord’s church at Ellettsville, IN as an elder for several years. As is the life of most men whose God given gifts have enabled them to fulfill their desire of being elders (1 Tim. 3:1-7; Titus 1:6-9), Harold’s met with criticism (1 Tim. 5:17-20). Yet, he met with these critics, proved himself and in the estimation of those who truly investigated and knew him (Heb. 13:7; 17) he was worthy of “double honor.” His love for the Truth was contagious and how often I personally gained from asking his wisdom and guidance in spiritual matters.

When health caused his resignation from the eldership at Ellettsville, he shared with me his doctor’s orders. He truly did NOT wish to resign, but his health demanded such if he wished to continue life and providing for Bonnie. Even then, he continued working as he could with the obvious physical limitations. When Bonnie and he came to West Second, they immediately took their part in preparing communion, helping with others in need, taking part in worship services, etc. Harold’s influence and love remained strong and viral for the Lord – of those elements, his strength NEVER abated!!

And now, “how are the mighty fallen!” No one is “replaced” when

they die and their presence made void. Instead, such vacancies become necessary opportunities for others to increase their zeal, their work, and abilities for the Lord. It is a process of GROWTH, and a rather drastic dose of reality for those of us remaining: the mighty fall, and those who remain must now stand in the gap (Ezk. 22:30) as the work of our Lord continues till He come. Miss Harold? – Oh, indeed we will! But muse on this: If he taught us anything by his example, he taught us to “Trust in the Lord” (Prov. 3:5) and serve Him! I muse on how many observed and LEARNED that lesson from Harold Bennett!

Michael Davis - February 27, 2013 at 11:06 AM