



Edward Watkins

AUG 16, 1932 - AUG 20, 2025



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Edward Oneal Watkins, 93, of Chattanooga, passed away Wednesday, August 20, 2025, at his daughter's residence. He worked as a farmer in his early age. Edward married and decided to make a better living for his family by moving to Chattanooga, Tennessee. He started a career with Mueller Company and after 39 years, retired. Edward was a member of New Enon Baptist Church and served on the Usher Board. He worked on cars and loved building things around the house. He did not use a pattern, he would just "eye ball" it, then build it. He also loved helping others if he could.

Edward was preceded in death by his wife, Lillian Watkins; sons, Thomas Watkins, James Watkins, and Cecil Watkins; father, Robert Watkins; mother, Alberta Watkins; stepmother, Nazel Watkins; brothers, Richard Watkins, Willie Watkins, and Leo Watkins; sister, Dorothy Watkins Ballard; and sister-in-law, Dorothy Mae Watkins.

Edward is survived by his daughter, Dora (Paul) Knight of Chattanooga; brothers, Hayward Watkins of Chattanooga, Benford (Romona) Watkins of Elyria, OH, and Ben Thomas (Emma Sue) Watkins; stepsisters, Vernita Haney of Rogersville, AL, Ellen Ruth Fuqua of Buffalo, NY, and Lulu Watkins of Florence, AL; special granddaughter, Tameka Guy; great-granddaughter, Alexis Russell; and a host of grandchildren; other relatives and friends.

Edward will lie-in-state on Friday, August 29, 2025, at 9 a.m. at Taylor Funeral Home. Funeral service will follow at 3:00 p.m. in the Chapel with Pastor Andrew Bullard, III as the Eulogist. Burial will be Saturday, August 30, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. (CST) in Little Zion Baptist Church Cemetery, 955 County Road 610, Rogersville, Alabama 35652.



Events

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Lie-In-State

Friday, August 29, 2025

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM ET

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3417 Wilcox Boulevard, Chattanooga TN 37411-1076



Funeral Service

Friday, August 29, 2025

3:00 PM - 4:30 PM ET

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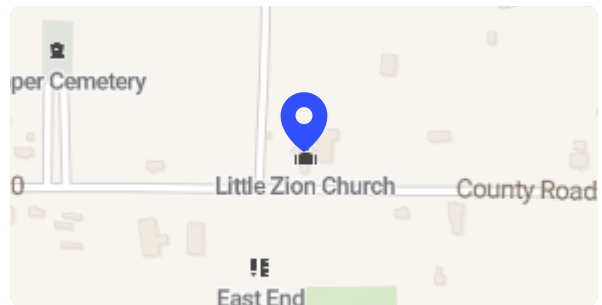


Burial

Saturday, August 30, 2025

11:00 AM - 11:30 AM CT

LITTLE ZION BAPTIST CHURCH CEMETERY
955 County Road 610, Rogersville AL 35652-6455





Tribute Wall

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YS

Yvonne Sanders lit a candle in honor of Edward.

Sorry to hear about the passing of your Father, Sending Condolences to You and Family

September 3 at 12:49 PM



AL

Angela Logan lit a candle in honor of Edward.

My deepest condolences to the Watkins Family our families were neighbors since as long as I've been alive so I consider us more like family and one my fondest memories was getting to ride in the back of the yellow pickup truck with the covered bed area a highlight of my childhood ... Mr Watkins will truly be missed and my prayers are with you all during this difficult time... sending hugs and love to the entire family

August 29 at 2:25 AM



FL

Felix Logan posted:

my deepest condolences goes out to Dora and family in the passing of Mr.Watkins A truly great and God fearing man who loved his family . Someone who would do all he could to help others. I thank God for the friendship that we shared i pray that God will comfort you all in this time of sorrow. MR.& MRS. Felix Logan Aka Tabe!!!!!!

August 27 at 3:12 PM

LC

Little Zion Missionary Baptist Church lit a candle in honor of Edward.

We the Little Zion MB Church Family of Rogersville, AL extends our most sincere condolences to your family during this difficult time of bereavement. We know to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. May God continue to comfort and keep you. You are in our thoughts and prayers. 🙏❤️

August 27 at 9:06 AM



CS

Carolyn Sandilands lit a candle in honor of Edward.

August 27 at 6:38 AM





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RB

Rodney Billups lit a candle in honor of Edward.

My condolences to family

August 26 at 5:23 PM



LR

Lera Richmond lit a candle in honor of Edward.

August 26 at 4:35 PM



EB

Evelyn Willis Baker lit a candle in honor of Edward.

August 26 at 8:36 AM



PH

Peggy Haney Harris posted:

Dora, my family will be in prayer for you and your family, Edward was such a kind man and will truly be missed.

August 26 at 7:50 AM



Anonymous sent a Serene Reflections Bouquet to the Watkins family.

August 25 at 10:37 AM



Anonymous planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Edward.

August 25 at 10:37 AM





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DD

Diane Dews lit a candle in honor of Edward.

My condolence to the family

August 23 at 4:57 AM



DO

Dewander Lavoyce Okeefablunt lit a candle in honor of Edward.

Cousin Dora and family we learned of Uncle Edward' transitioning last evening. We are praying for the family during this time of bereavement. May you all find strength and comfort in the coming days.Wanda & Family

August 22 at 2:29 PM



GE

Greggory A Ellison posted:

To my family " Watkins family" my condolences Nephew Gregory Ellison

August 21 at 6:50 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Edward by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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