



## Jesse Phelps

July 4, 1920 - January 30, 2012

PHELPS, Eld. Jesse C. "Mr. 'Smiley" - Age 91, passed away Monday, January 30, 2012 at Genesys Convalescent Center. Family hour 10:30 a.m. Friday, February 3, 2012 at Bethel United Methodist Church, 1309 N. Ballenger Hwy., with funeral service commencing at 11 a.m. Rev. Dr. Tara Sutton, officiating. Interment Great Lakes National Cemetery, G-4200 Belford Rd., Holly, MI. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 10:30 a.m. Friday. Eld. Phelps will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., and may be viewed from 1-8 p.m. Thursday. Eld. Jesse C. Phelps, affectionately, called "Mr. Smiley" was born July 4, 1920 to the late Jesse and Marie Phelps in Watkinsville, Georgia. He attended the Oconee County School System. At an early age he accepted Christ at the Friendship Baptist Church. Eld. Phelps joined the U.S. Army serving in World War II as a Sergeant. He met and later married the love of his life Ruth McKinney on January 19, 1946 in Memphis, Tennessee. After relocating to Grand Blanc, Michigan and joining Bethel United Methodist Church, he was acknowledged as an Elder. Eld. Jesse C. Phelps leaves to cherish his memory: devoted wife of 66 years, Ruth M. Phelps; brother, Hal L. Phelps; 14 nieces and nephews; a host of great-nieces and nephews, cousins and friends. The family would like to express special thanks to Rev. Dr. Tara Sutton and the Bethel United Methodist Church Family and Genesys Convalescent Center, especially, Christa England and Pat Bowen.



# Tribute Wall



“ *Jesse Phelps*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *We are truly sorry to hear of your loss. Our condolences go out to you and your family. Often during difficult times people turn to the bible. Two scriptures that come to mind are Revelations 21:3,4 and Acts 24:15. I hope that these verses are comforting to you.*

**R. and K. Muex** - January 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Cousin Ruth  
I am thinking of you at this time. Please try not to feel alone, for remember God has blessed you so very much to have such a wonderful, kind, loving, strong providing husband, who adored you so very much. My fondest memory of you both was/is that great sense of humor, kindness and unconditional love for your family. I am so very grateful for Renee and all that she does for you and Cousin JC. I love you and hold you in my prayers. Cousin Ruth, you were a wonderful wife, and that will never change. Your goodness is as everlasting as your love for each other, and may you find comfort, mercy and beautiful heartfelt memories. -- Love always  
Peggie*

**Pearl "Peggie" Williams** - January 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. My love, thoughts and prayers are with each of you. May The Lord wrap His loving arms around you, may He give you strength, comfort and peace.*

**CONNIE COVINGTON** - January 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ KNOWING WE HAVE A PROMISE OF A REUNION DAY GIVES COMFORT AND HOPE THROUGH OUR PAIN.

WE ARE PRAYING THAT YOU WILL FEEL GOD'S LOVING ARMS AROUND YOU UNTIL THAT WONDERFUL DAY.

WITH OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS,

CURTIS & ANNETTE  
Donovan & Anton

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**Curtis & Annette Dixie** - January 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM