



## Harold Wilson

January 25, 1932 - October 26, 2021

Harold L. Wilson, 89 of Cordova, passed away on Tuesday October 26, 2021 at his residence.

After humble beginnings in Empire, he was drafted into the U.S. Army, where he was a member of the 4th Infantry Division during the Korean War. He was honorably discharged on March 14, 1955. During his service in Europe, he received the National Defense Service Medal, the Army Occupation of Germany medal and the Good Conduct medal. He enjoyed the sport of boxing while in the service.

Following his discharge from the service, he married the love of his life, Barbara, and moved to Indiana to pursue an apprenticeship in machining technology. In 1972 he founded his own company, Wilson Machine and Welding in Sipsey, AL. He later expanded his business in Cordova in 1979, with continued expansion to Decatur, AL in 2006.

He remained a selfless and generous man throughout his life. He devoted his life to the pursuit of owning his own business and providing a legacy for his children to carry on. After only spending a brief moment with him, you would know that his greatest passion was his work at his shop. He always said, "There's no job too big or too small, we do them all".

He was a devoted Christian, always placing God first, above everything. He was a member of Dilworth Church of God for 53 years. Keeping God first, he was blessed with seeing the success of his family as well as his business. He had a few hobbies besides working at the shop. They included country

music, horses, and spending time in the garden. Vacation and traveling weren't an interest of his unless WWE was on tour.

Funeral services will be Friday October 29, 2021 at 1:00 pm at Dilworth Church of God. Rev. Nelson Kimberly and Patrick McKinney will officiate. Burial will follow in the adjoining cemetery. Visitation is Thursday evening 6-8 pm at the church.

Pallbearers will be Chad DeFoor, Patrick McKinney, Jay Herron, Tim Roberts, Spencer DeFoor and Shane Ratcliff. Honorary pallbearers will be Jimmy Stewart, Richard Wilson, Joe Wilson and Dennis DeFoor.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Robert Lee and Lillian Mae Wilson and his siblings, Stella Roberts, Carl Wilson and Audie Wilson.

Survivors include his wife of 66 years, Barbara Wilson; his children, Debbie Wilson, Richard Wilson (Michelle), Janet Wilson (Dennis DeFoor) and Joseph Wilson (Terri); grandchildren, Shane Ratcliff (Keri), Melanie McKinney (Patrick), Chad DeFoor (Kaylen), Mindee Herron (Jay), Morgan Wilson, Spencer DeFoor (Erin) and Maggie Wilson; ten great grandchildren; several other relatives and a host of friends.

New Horizon Memorial Funeral Home directing 205-648-2323

# Cemetery Details

## Dilworth Church of God Cemetery

3688 Hull Rd.  
Empire, AL 35063

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **28**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Dilworth Church of God

## Funeral Service

OCT **29**. 1:00 PM (CT)

Dilworth Church of God

# Tribute Wall



“ *Harold Wilson*

October 05, 2023 at 01:15 PM



“ *I knew Mr. Wilson most of my life. He and his wife Barbara were a blessing to my children at church and on trips. He is loved and forever missed but never forgotten by so many. Much love and hugs and prayers for his family. Lorrie Estes. Jonathon and Anthony Fendley mom*

**LORRIE ESTES** - November 14, 2022 at 03:05 PM



“ *Scotty Westbrook lit a candle in memory of Harold Wilson*



**Scotty Westbrook** - October 30, 2021 at 09:23 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Harold Wilson.*



October 29, 2021 at 12:42 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Harold Wilson.*



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October 28, 2021 at 04:54 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Harold Wilson.*



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October 28, 2021 at 11:56 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Harold Wilson.*



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October 28, 2021 at 09:46 AM

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“ Barbara I am so sorry to learn about the passing of Harold. You and family are in my thoughts and prayers! I think of you and wonder how you are doing. Such good memories of my Mother, Daddy, Pearl and Harvey when we all lived in Sipsey. You and Harold had a long, loving life together. My brother Jimmy just asked me a few days ago if I ever saw or heard from you. I used to hear through my sister, Dot Burgess Ragland before she passed away almost two years ago. May God comfort you and the family. Hugs to you. Mary Ann Burgess McAnnally



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**Ann McAnnally** - October 28, 2021 at 08:51 AM

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Mrs. Wilson you and your family are in the Bridier/Vinson thoughts and prayers. May God comfort you and your family, till you all meet again heaven.  
Sincerely,  
Lana Bridier Vinson

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**Lana Bridier Vinson** - November 07, 2021 at 09:42 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Harold Wilson.



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October 28, 2021 at 07:57 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Harold Wilson.



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October 28, 2021 at 05:06 AM



“ *Scotty Westbrook lit a candle in memory of Harold Wilson*



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**Scotty Westbrook** - October 27, 2021 at 11:29 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Harold Wilson.



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October 27, 2021 at 09:28 PM



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses* was purchased for the family of Harold Wilson.



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October 27, 2021 at 09:05 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Harold Wilson.*



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October 27, 2021 at 04:47 PM



“ *Dear Sister Barbara and Janet and rest of family: I am deeply touched to see Janet's post that Brother Harold has gone on to glory but we can rejoice because he is totally healed and never to be sick again and we all can go to him one day and I beleive it will be very soon. He was a blessing to all the lives he touched. My deepest prayers are with you and that the precious Holy Ghost will under girt you with HIS divine presence and comforting power only HE can give. Love all of you, many memories of all of us at church.*

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**David Williams** - October 27, 2021 at 03:35 PM