



Ester Taylor

November 20, 1927 - April 23, 2022

Ester Taylor, age 94, passed away on Saturday, April 23, 2022, at the State Veterans Home in Kosciusko, Mississippi. Visitation will be from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. on Thursday, April 28 at Nowell-Massey Funeral Home in Louisville, Mississippi, and one hour prior to the service at the church on Friday. Funeral services will be 12 p.m. Friday, April 29 at Poplar Flat Baptist Church with Dr. Jim Futural and Bro. Doug Wise officiating. Interment will immediately follow the service in Poplar Flat Cemetery with full military honors.

Ester was born November 20, 1927, to John and Virgie Bagwell Taylor in Winston County, Mississippi. He was a devout Christian and a member of Poplar Flat Baptist Church.

He was a combat veteran who served as a corporal in the 25th Infantry "Tropic Lightning" Division of the US Army during the Korean War, where he was awarded the Bronze Star with V for Valor.

After returning from war, he married Marjorie Clark and worked for Southern Natural Gas until his retirement.

He was a popular and upstanding member of the local community, an avid member of "Wrinkled Roosters" coffee club. He loved mission work and relished his trips to build churches for those in need. He loved fishing and

crappie across the state feared for their lives every spring.

His loved ones will remember him as a loving husband, father and grandfather. Ester is survived by two daughters Patti Rushton and husband Ronnie of Brandon, Mississippi, and Debra Coward and husband Dell of Louisville. One of his greatest joys was being “Granddaddy” to his six grandchildren: Trey (Andrea) Jordan, Christy Jacobson, Dawn (Heath) Dyer, Brandy Stevenson, Lauren Hill, and Carlee Hill. He also enjoyed his eight great-grandchildren: Owen Jordan, Ethan Jacobson, Michael (Emily) Dyer, Nick Dyer, Trace Dyer, Canon Dyer, Josiah Stevenson and Zoe Kate Usry. He also leaves behind loving nieces, nephews, other family members and friends.

Ester was preceded in death by his wife Marjorie Taylor; his daughter Susan Jordan; his parents; four brothers: Burtron, J.B., Freeman, and Morris Taylor; and five sisters: Gladys Merritt, Allie Mae Cockrell, Bonnie Ellis, Bessie Alene Taylor and Mattie Doris Taylor.

Honorary pallbearers are the men’s Sunday School Class at Poplar Flat. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that all gifts be made to the Susan Jordan Memorial Scholarship at Mississippi State University. Memorials may be made through the MSU Foundation and designated for the Susan Jordan Memorial Scholarship. Commitments may be made online at www.msufoundation.com or checks payable to the MSU Foundation, Inc. may be mailed to PO Box 6149, Mississippi State, MS 39762.

Services are under the direction of Nowell-Massey Funeral Home, 724 North Columbus Avenue, Louisville, MS. Memories and condolences may be shared with the family by signing the guest register at www.nowellmasseyfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Poplar Flat Cemetery

2188 Poplar Flat Road
Louisville, MS 39339

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **28**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Massey Funeral Home
724 N. Columbus Avenue
Louisville, MS 39339
(662) 773-3501
nowellfuneral@bellsouth.net
<https://www.masseyfuneralhome.net/>

Visitation

APR **29**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Poplar Flat Baptist Church
2188 Poplar Flat Road
Louisville, MS 39339

Service

APR 29. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Louisville, MS 39339

Interment

APR 29 (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Ester Taylor*

January 29, 2023 at 06:32 AM



“ *My sincere thoughts and prayers are with the Ester Taylor family at this time. Among many attributes, Mr. Taylor is fondly remembered as a much welcomed visitor at the local BeeHive Assisted Living home, along with other deacons/men from Poplar Flat Baptist Church where my mother resided some years ago. His bright smile, thoughtful demeanor, & servant's heart I shall forever covet in fond/thankful remembrance of Mr. Ester Taylor. ❤️🙏 to his dear family.*

Betty (Smith) Charlton - April 29, 2022 at 09:57 AM



“ *What a nice man Mr Ester was! We enjoyed the time that we knew and spent with him.
Sincere sympathies to his family!*

Sissie Watts - April 27, 2022 at 05:50 PM



“ *Hugs and Prayers for all!! Jewell Hill & Janet White*

Janet Whiy - April 27, 2022 at 08:34 AM

LM

“ *Lee & Lu Taylor, Joel & Alice Brownlee, Dorothy and Hugh Mixon purchased the Multicolor Bright Sympathy Basket for the family of Ester Taylor.*



Lee & Lu Taylor, Joel & Alice Brownlee, Dorothy and Hugh Mixon - April 25, 2022 at 04:44 PM

MH

“ *Sincere sympathy,
Mozell Hull*

Mozell Hull - April 25, 2022 at 12:05 AM

RP

“ *What a wonderful friend! He loved life and people. I am thankful He was my friend for 40 years. He left a wonderful legacy in His family? Carley brought such wonderful to Him for several years. He loved His FAMILY!!!*

Ron Phillips - April 24, 2022 at 09:52 PM

JM

Great man. A joy to be around. Can't imagine anyone not enjoying ester Taylor

Johnny Mitchell - April 25, 2022 at 11:59 AM