



## Walter A. Rice

January 4, 1927 - December 21, 2010

Walter Arvin Rice, age 83, of Adams, passed away Tuesday, December 21, 2010 at his home. Funeral services were held Tuesday, December 28, 2010 at 2pm in the chapel of the Austin & Bell Funeral Home in Springfield. Burial followed in the Sango Cemetery with family and friends serving as pallbearers. Visitation was held at the funeral home Tuesday afternoon from 1pm until the hour of service. Mr. Rice was born January 4, 1927 in DeKalb County, Tennessee to the late William and Mary Steele Rice. He worked as a welder for the Arvin Company for many years and was a very hard worker all his life. In addition to his parents Mr. Rice is preceded in death by his wife, Laura Holt Rice and two brothers, Bill Rice and Andrew "Bug" Rice. He is survived by his sons, Tom (Kathleen) Rice, Dale (Maggie) Durham and Raymond Lynn (Rose Mary) Durham; daughters, Pat (Larry) Van Vooren, Rita Faye (Donnie) Rice, Angel Mae Durham and Sarah Anne Durham; brother, Harvey Rice; sisters, Louise Redick, Gladys Smith and Evelyn (Leonard) Herd; grandchildren, Tina True, Tommy Rice, Jr., Matthew Lee Rice, Amy Ann Rice, Ruth Anna Thompson, Phyllis Reeves, Christie Conway, Julie Cole, Scott Van Vooren, Jessica Bowlen, Matthew Durham, Nathan Durham, Jennifer Rice, Curtis Rice, Ray Rice, Tommy Joe Durham, Brian Durham and Calvin Durham; 20 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren. The family requests memorial contributions be made to your local Animal Shelter, your local Church or to your local Food Bank.