

*In Loving Memory  
Of  
Mr. Arther "Big Boy" Griffin*

**1927**

**1993**



*Saturday, February 13, 1993*

*12:00 Noon*

*Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church  
Batesville, Mississippi*

*Reverend Zannie Leland, Jr.  
Pastor And Officiant*

## OBITUARY

MR. ARTHUR "BIG BOY" GRIFFIN WAS BORN TO THE PARENTAGE OF THE LATE MR. ROBERT GRIFFIN AND THE LATE MRS. VERNA CLAY GRIFFIN ON MAY 10, 1927, IN CANTON, MADISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI.

HE WAS EDUCATED IN THE MADISON COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM.

ACKNOWLEDGING HIS NEED FOR SALVATION, HE ACCEPTED CHRIST AS HIS PERSONAL SAVIOUR AT AN EARLY AGE AND JOINED THE MARY MAGDALENE BAPTIST CHURCH, CANTON, MISSISSIPPI.

UPON MOVING TO LAMBERT, MS, TO LIVE WITH HIS UNCLE IN 1940, HE ATTENDED THE WALKER CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH.

AFTER MOVING TO BATESVILLE, MS, IN 1950, HE UNITED IN FELLOWSHIP WITH MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH. THERE HE REMAINED A LOYAL AND FAITHFUL MEMBER UNTIL HIS TRANSITION.

ON FEBRUARY 2, 1948, MR. ARTHUR GRIFFIN CHOSE AS HIS LIFE'S MATE, MS. NANCY LEE BROOKS. TO THIS UNION, ELEVEN (11) CHILDREN WERE BORN. ONE SON, THOMAS ARTHUR, PRECEDED HIM IN DEATH.

"BIG BOY" AS HE WAS AFFECTIONATELY KNOWN THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY. HE WORKED AS A FARMER FOR OVER FIFTY (50) YEARS. "BIG BOY" ATTAINED JOY FROM TILLING THE SOIL AND WATCHING IT YIELD ITS INCREASE. "BIG BOY" WAS A MAN OF SERVICE, WILLING TO HELP ALL THOSE HE CAME INTO CONTACT WITH. A MAN OF FAITH AND CONVICTION WHO EVIDENCED IT THROUGH WORD AND DEED.

ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1993, IN BAPTIST HOSPITAL EAST, MEMPHIS, TN, AT 6:30 A.M. MR. ARTHUR "BIG BOY" GRIFFIN EXCHANGED MORTALITY FOR IMMORTALITY. SWEETLY HE RESTS IN HEAVEN'S GLADNESS.

IN MEMORY WITH LOVE HE LEAVES: A DEVOTED WIFE, MRS. NANCY LEE B. GRIFFIN OF BATESVILLE, MS; THREE (3) SONS: MR. M.L. (ANNIE) GRIFFIN, SR. AND MR. GARY (ADRIANA) GRIFFIN OF BATESVILLE, MS, AND MR. TERRY (ANNIE) GRIFFIN OF LAMBERT, MS. EIGHT (8) DAUGHTERS: MRS. ROSEMARY P. (ROBERT) SHEGOG, MRS. MELEDIA G. (CALVIN) FREEMAN, AND MRS. SHARON (ELROY) FORD ALL OF BATESVILLE, MS; MRS. VIVIAN G. (CARL) HENTZ OF POPE, MS, AND MRS. FRANCES G. (STEVE) YOUNG, MS. JACKIE GRIFFIN, MRS. JULIA G. (EARL) BLACK, AND MS. PATTIE GRIFFIN ALL OF MILWAUKEE, WI; TWO COUSINS HE REARED AS HIS CHILDREN: MR. A.Z. (CLYDE) BOOKER OF JONESTOWN,



MS, AND MR. ALBERT PRITCHARD OF BATESVILLE, MS; 22 GRANDCHILDREN, 5 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN; THREE (3) BROTHERS: MR. CHARLIE B. GRIFFIN OF SARDIS, MS, MR. HANDY MURPHY OF CANTON, MS, AND REV. JOHNNY L. NICHOLS OF SIKESTON, MO; ONE (1) SISTER: MRS. CATHERINE G. HENRY OF CANTON, MS; MOTHER-IN-LAW: MRS. FORDIA KIMBLE; EIGHT BROTHERS-IN-LAW; 10 SISTERS-IN-LAW; AND A HOST OF NEPHEWS, NIECES, RELATIVES AND FRIENDS.

SPECIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS TO COUSINS, THAT WERE RAISED AS SISTERS AND BROTHERS:

LUELLE CHILDS	EFFIE BONDS
ANNIE MAE TATUM	SADIE GRIFFIN
LULA B. JONES	MOSE GRIFFIN, JR.

### ORDER OF SERVICE

PROCESSIONAL	FAMILY AND MINISTERS
SELECTION	CHOIR
SCRIPTURE /INVOCATION	REV. ARTHUR POLLARD
SONG	CHOIR
SPECIAL REMARKS	(ONE MINUTE EACH)
	BRO. LYGUNNAH BEAN
	BRO. JOE C. GARDNER
	SIS. MARSHA MCDANIEL
SELECTION	CHOIR
POEMS	SIS. LULA B. JONES
	BRO. GARY L. GRIFFIN
ACKNOWLEDGMENT	SIS. CORDELLIA MILLER
OBITUARY	READ SILENTLY
WORDS OF COMFORT	SOFT MUSIC
SOLO	REV. ELIJAH CHILDS
EULOGY	SIS. EMMA HENTZ
	REV. ZANNIE LELAND, JR.
FUNERAL DIRECTORS IN CHARGE	
RECESSIONAL	

### MAGNIFY THE LORD

I WILL PRAISE HIS MIGHT AND POWER. I WILL MAGNIFY HIS NAME. I WILL GIVE HIM ALL THE GLORY, AND REJOICE FROM WHENCE HE CAME. I WILL MARVEL AT HIS WONDERS. I WILL WITNESS EVERY DAY. I WILL WAIT UPON HIM PATIENTLY, AND NEVER CEASE TO PRAY. I WILL PUBLICLY ACKNOWLEDGE HIM. I WILL STRIVE TO DO HIS WILL. I WILL SHARE MY LOT WITH OTHERS, AND WHEN HE SPEAKS- BE STILL!

HELEN PARKER