



## Junior Otey Burnette

December 16, 1918 - December 13, 2012

Junior Otey Burnette, 93, of Gladys with his gentle soul, slipped peacefully into heaven on Thursday, December 13, 2012 at Lynchburg General Hospital. He was the husband of the late Earline Wingfield Burnette.

He was born December 16, 1918 in Gladys, a son of the late Otey Guster Burnette and Mary Hester Keesee Burnette. Junior was a life-long member of Kedron Baptist Church and operated Burnette's Repair Shop for over sixty years. He proudly served his country during WWII with the Army Air Corp, where he received both the Purple Heart and Good Conduct Medals.

Junior loved life and often stated "I enjoy everything I do". He felt if one worked hard and ate good all would be well. He was a simple man who loved good food, fishing and gardening. He loved to watch his flowers and vegetables grow and share them with his family, friends and neighbors.

He is survived by a sister, Marian DeGustis; two daughters, Robin Maloy and her husband Neal and Denise B. Gilliland and her husband Michael; grandchildren, Brittany Maloy, Jonathan Maloy and wife Alexandra and Jarrett Parton; and a number of nieces, nephew and devoted friends.

He was preceded in death by five brothers, Raymond, Lawrence, Willie(Bill), Richard and Curtis Burnette and five sisters, Reva Burnette, Louise Inge,

Frances Cheryba, Eursie Belcher and Pauline Burnette.

A funeral service will be conducted at 2:00 p.m., Sunday, December 16, 2012 at Kedron Baptist Church by the Rev. Brian Reynolds with interment to follow in the church cemetery. Military Rites by Altavista Memorial American Legion Post 36 and V. F. W. Post 4165.

The family will receive friends from 4-7:00p.m., Saturday at Finch & Finch Funeral and Cremation Service, Gladys and other times at residence.

The family suggests that those wishing to make memorials consider Kedron Baptist Church, P. O. Box 38, Gladys, VA 24554.

The family would like to thank the staff of Centra Hospice with special thanks to Kim, Carolyn, Paula and Martha. They are also thankful for his loyal and faithful friends.

He will be deeply missed by his family and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Kedron Baptist Church Cemetery

7862 Brookneal HWY  
Gladys, VA 24554

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 15. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Finch and Finch, Gladys  
124 Flynn St.  
Gladys, VA 24554

## Funeral Service

DEC 16. 2:00 PM (ET)

Kedron Baptist Church  
7862 Brookneal HWY  
Gladys, VA 24554

# Tribute Wall

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“ Thank you Mr. Burnette for your care and Kindness. You will be missed and are thought of. I am sorry i was unaware of your illness and passing. I hope that where you are now has many gardens as that is what you loved. I appreciate your help with my repair and will remember the time we spent talking about your life that I did my college report on. I always learned something new when talking with you.

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**Teresa Baker** - December 28, 2012 at 10:49 AM

DB

“ Robin and Denise,  
I was sad to hear about your dad. I remember seeing him and your mom sitting on their front porch each evening and they always had something nice to say when we would stop by.  
May you feel God's strength through this time.  
Deborah Nash Burman

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**Deborha Nash Burman** - December 15, 2012 at 06:53 PM

BF

“ My prayers are with your family at this time of sorrow. Bill Frazier



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**bill frazier** - December 15, 2012 at 12:40 PM

SF

“ *Denise and Robin,  
You are in our thoughts and prayers at this sad time. Your Dad will greatly be missed! Daddy thought the world of him! He was such an inspiration with his positive outlook on life.*

*Love & Prayers,*

*Sandra Roakes Francis & family*

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**Sandra Roakes Francis** - December 15, 2012 at 06:55 AM

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*Mr. Burnette ran a repair shop in Lynchburg on 12th street between Monroe and Polk in the early 50's. It was a magical place for a lad of ten and Mr. Burnette was the Majorcan who could fix anything. My grandparents were from Gladys (Nelson Dunaway) and were living at the time on Taylor Street. Mr. Burnette knew everyone in the family and allowed me to hang around the shop asking questions until I worried him to death.*

*Lloyd Ayers  
Madison Heights, va*

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**Lloyd A. Ayers** - December 15, 2012 at 12:02 PM