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## Monroe Freeman Bentley



83, a resident of Prairie Grove, passed away February 11, 2016 at Willard Walker Hospice Home in Fayetteville. He was born January 30, 1933 in Collin County, Texas, the son of Oscar Franklin and Mary Kate Long Bentley.

He was a member of the Church of Christ in Prairie Grove where he served as Bible Class teacher and Elder.



Monroe retired from the United States Air Force after 20 years and retired from the United Postal Service after 20 years.

He also served for 19 years at the Prairie Grove Senior Center delivering Meals on Wheels with his wife.

He was preceded in death by his parents, five brothers and four sisters.

Survivors include his wife of 55 years Sylvia Bentley; four children Pam Parker of Frisco, Texas, Robbie Rich of Ohio, David Bentley and wife Jamie of Fayetteville and Connie Casey and husband Robin of Prairie Grove; twelve grandchildren, Allison, Jennifer, Jacob, Christopher, Whitney, Rachel, Chris, Greg, Chelsea, Brandi, William, and Lisa. Sixteen great grandchildren; Asher, Elisha, Liam, Vivienne, Matthew, Parker, Preston, Pax, Chandler, Campbell, Caitlyn, Chloe, Joseph, Ashley, Blair, and Jamie. One sister Bonnie Chambers of Atoka, Oklahoma, and several beloved nieces and nephews.



### APPRECIATION

On behalf of the Bentley family, we wish to express their gratitude for your many acts of kindness, and for your attendance at the funeral service.

**Luginbuel Funeral Home**  
**Prairie Grove, Arkansas**

online guest book, visit [www.luginbuel.com](http://www.luginbuel.com)



**Monroe Freeman Bentley**  
January 30, 1933 - February 11, 2016

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## The Old Family Table

The old family table where the hungry always came  
It's been through all the good times, the happiness, and pain  
As the children went away, they would all look back and say,  
"Save my place at the old family table!"

Every night at supper time we all held hands to pray  
We took out a leaf each time a loved one went away  
The table is much shorter, and so many leaves are gone  
If it could talk, this table could tell stories on and on

The first leaf we took out was for little baby Joe  
Why God permits such things to happen only Heaven knows  
We put him in a pine box and we laid him in the clay  
And we wept around the family table on that awful day

When the girls got married, they were so proud of their rings  
We sat around the table planning weddings in the spring  
We put away another leaf when Andy went to war  
Nobody knew how many sleepless nights we walked the floor

So many elbows rested there upon that wooden plane  
It's doubtful that the world will ever see its like again  
The old family table scarred and weathered to the eye  
Will be our family table in our home up in the sky

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**Save my place at the old family table!**

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CELEBRATING THE LIFE & MEMORY OF  
Monroe Freeman Bentley

DATE, TIME & PLACE OF SERVICE  
Tuesday, February 16, 2016 - 10:00 A.M.  
Church of Christ - Prairie Grove, Arkansas

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### ORDER OF SERVICE

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#### Prelude Acapella Selections

"In The Garden" David and Connie  
"My Latest Sun is Sinking" Congregational  
"Life's Railway to Heaven" PG Church of Christ Choral Group

Obituary Charles Jackson

Prayer Johnny Dockery

"Heaven Holds All To Me" David and Connie  
"Where Peace Like A River" PG Church of Christ Choral Group  
"Precious Lord Take My Hand" Congregational

Words of Comfort Bill Hooten

#### Family Memories Video

"The Old Rugged Cross"  
"Homesick"  
"The Rose"

*Full Military Honors will take place outside the church following the video*

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GRAVE SIDE SERVICES WILL NOT BE HELD AT THE CEMETERY.  
THE FAMILY WILL REMAIN TO VISIT WITH FRIENDS IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL.

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#### FINAL RESTING PLACE

Prairie Grove Cemetery

#### PALLBEARERS

Jacob Bentley - Eli Holland - Dan Bingaman - Robin Casey  
Terry Tidwell - Kenneth Thomas - Jack Scroggins - Alan Brandley

#### HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Chris Casey - Wayne Hall - Al Samples - Ira Matthews - Charles Berger

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