

Delford Ernest Rieff



99, a resident of Prairie Grove, Arkansas, passed away February 1, 2009 at the Washington Regional Medical Center in Fayetteville. He was born October 2, 1909 near Strickler, Arkansas, the son of Clint Wade and Eunice McBride Rieff.

Delford married Mamie Edmiston on June 27, 1935. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Prairie Grove where he was a trustee and past treasurer. He was associated with The Farmers and Merchants Bank from 1929 until 1992, served as president from 1954 until 1980, and was chairman of the Board of Directors from 1980 until 1992. He was past Prairie Grove City Treasurer and City Council member for thirty years. He served as a member of Prairie Grove School Board, Washington County Fair Board, Washington County Democrat Central Committee, Washington County Election Commission, Masonic Lodge Number 436, Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Valley of Fort Smith, Shriners International, Washington County Soil Conservation, Arkansas Industrial Development Commission and Prairie Grove Battlefield Park Commission. For twenty years he served on the Washington County Hospital Board and was a charter member of Prairie Grove Lions Club.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mamie, three sisters, Alice Baker, Bessie McKnight and Jewell McNeeley, and one brother, Arvil Wade Rieff.

Survivors include one son, James C. "Jim" Rieff and his wife Susan of Prairie Grove, Arkansas; two granddaughters, Leslie Fitzgerald and her husband Pat of Carl Junction, Missouri, and Barbara "Boo" Edmiston and her husband Steve of Prairie Grove, Arkansas and four great-grandchildren, Parker and Kennedy Fitzgerald, Alex and Cole Edmiston; one nephew, Doyle Baker; two nieces, Shirley Lowry and Sue Ann Brixey.



APPRECIATION

On behalf of the Rieff 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



D. E. Rieff

October 2, 1909 - February 1, 2009



Trust placed in one another
builds friendships that will last;
respect and understanding help
the family bond hold fast.



CELEBRATING THE LIFE & MEMORY OF

Delford E. Rieff

DATE, TIME & PLACE OF SERVICE

Wednesday, February 4, 2009 - 2:00 P.M.
First United Methodist Church
Prairie Grove, Arkansas

ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude Music	Cathy Moore
Opening Statement	Matthew Johnson Pastor - First United Methodist Church - Prairie Grove, Arkansas
Prayer	
"He Touched Me" Organist - Joyce Cunningham	Charlotte Cunningham Fisher
Scripture Reading Psalm 23 Former Pastor - First United Methodist Church - Prairie Grove, Arkansas	James Harrison
Family Tribute	Greg Reed & Doyle Baker
Words of Encouragement	Matthew Johnson
"The Old Rugged Cross" #504	Congregational
Benediction & Dismissal	Matthew Johnson
Family Memories "Begin the Beguine" "Sunrise Serenade" "Sentimental Journey" "And the Angels Sing"	Lawrence Welk
Postlude Music	"Stardust" - Artie Shaw "Swanne River" - Tommy Dorsey "Tuxedo Junction" - Glenn Miller

**GRAVE SIDE SERVICES WILL NOT BE HELD AT THE CEMETERY.
THE FAMILY WILL VISIT FRIENDS FOLLOWING THE SERVICE IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL.**

INTERMENT

Prairie Grove Cemetery - Prairie Grove, Arkansas

PALLBEARERS

Billy Joe Bartholomew - Wayne Hall - Paul Jones - Loyd Jordan - Huland Nations - Greg Reed
Charles Thompson - Dr. Calvin Bain - Dr. Joe B. Hall - Dr. Doug Manning - William Giles

MEMORIALS

Prairie Grove Library - P.O. Box 10 - Prairie Grove, AR 72753
or
Life Ministries - P.O. Box 536 - Prairie Grove, AR 72753
or
Prairie Grove Cemetery - 751 East Parks - Prairie Grove, AR 72753