



## Arvil Pickett

April 19, 1929 - September 19, 2012

Services for Arvil Dean Pickett, 83, of Tyler, will be held on Saturday, September 22, 2012 at Stewart Family Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. Ken Hall officiating. Burial will follow at Rose Hill Cemetery. Mr. Pickett was born April 19, 1929 in Flint, TX to Gordon and Zula Barton Pickett. He passed away September 19, 2012 at ETMC hospital in Tyler. Arvil graduated from Tyler High School and later received his Associates degree from Tyler Junior College. He worked for General Electric/Trane for over 30 years and retired as shipping supervisor. Mr. Pickett loved the Lord and was a faithful servant until his death. He was a member of Trinity Baptist Church for over 60 years and served in many capacities, from Sunday School teacher to Chairman of Deacons. He was a tireless worker and continued to “be busy” until his death. He enjoyed working and spent many happy days with his son and grandson working on his farm or with the entire family at the lake. One of Arvil’s favorite activities was serving with the Smith Baptist Builders, helping build churches for many years. He never considered it work when you could use your hands, serve the Lord, while fellowshiping with your friends. Arvil also enjoyed “deer camp” in Gillespie County and spent many years there with his hunting buddies. He is survived by his loving family including his devoted wife of 58 years, Shirley Pickett of Tyler; children Steve Pickett of Tyler and Karen Pickett of Charlotte, NC; grandson Spencer Pickett of Tyler; and brother Edwin Pickett and wife Gladys of Dallas. Arvil was preceded in death by his parents, and brother Wayne Pickett. Visitation is scheduled from 4:00 – 6:00

PM on Friday, September 21, 2012 at Stewart Family Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Trinity Baptist Church, 604 West 4th Street, Tyler TX 75701 or a charity of your choice.

# Tribute Wall

BH

“ *Arvil Pickett*

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**Bette Hebbler & Howard** - September 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *Uncle Arvil was a great Husband, Father, Grandfather, Brother & Uncle and was loved by all. He was a true man of God and raised his family in the ways of the Lord. He will be greatly missed, but knowing he's free from suffering helps to sooth a broken heart.*

*Aunt Shirley, Steve, Karen & Spencer my prayers and thoughts are with you as you say farewell and for the journey ahead of you. All my love, Debbie*

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**Debbie Pickett Smith** - September 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *When I think of Mr. Pickett I think of a great "builder" for Jesus Christ. The thought of him brings back many great memories of Trinity Baptist Church and his influence on my life growing up there. Mr. Pickett was a man of God and will be missed and cherished by many. My thoughts and prayers go to his family. -Love Michelle Munoz Mims*

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**Michelle Munoz Mims** - September 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ *Uncle Arvil I love you so very much and will miss you greatly. I look forward to the day that I can give you a great big ol Pickett hug again.*

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**Janet Pickett** - September 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SK

“ *Mr. Pickett was a true treasure. Always smiling and had a positive word to say. He showed love to our family in so many different ways through the years. He will be missed!*

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**Susan Kelly** - September 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ *I will miss Arvil Pickett so much . . . his encouragement, his teaching, his prayers, his constancy. Yes, Arvil has ALWAYS been there for us all. What a huge hole is left in my heart. But,*

*"Those who live in the Lord never see each other for the last time."*

*Love to Shirley, Steve, Karen, and Spencer.*

*Linda*

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**Linda Lane** - September 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM