



## Rev. Franklin Heard

December 12, 1924 - May 28, 2007

Rev. Franklin Heard, 82, of the Black Cat Community of Ardmore, AL, died Monday, May 28, 2007, at Huntsville Hospital, Huntsville, AL. Funeral services were Thursday, May 31, at 2 p.m. at Heavens Way Independent Baptist Church with Bro. Jeff Herad, Bro. Greg Morrow and Bro. Donald Terry officiating. Burial was in the Gatlin Cemetery in Ardmore with Ardmore Memorial Funeral Home in charge. Grandsons will serve as pallbearers. Benjamin Franklin Heard was born December 12, 1924, in Toney, AL, to Bennie and Ruth (Hines) Heard. Rev. Heard was the senior pastor of Heavens Way Independent Baptist Church. He was a veteran of WWII and a longtime member of the Bobo Volunteer Fire Department. He was retired from civil service at Redstone Arsenal. Rev. Heard was preceded in death by his parents, three brothers, Albert Heard, Leon Heard, and Clinton Heard; and two sisters, Olene Billions and Irene Moore. Survivors include his wife of 61 years, Louise (Smith) Heard of Ardmore, AL; five sons, Donald (Shirley) Heard of Ardmore, AL, Ronald (Lisa) Heard of Ardmore, AL, Gary (Teresa) Heard of Ardmore, TN, Jeffery (Sabrenia) Heard of Ardmore, AL, and Barry Moore of Ardmore, AL; two daughters, Kathryn Billions and Odell (Mark) Freeman of Ardmore, AL; five sisters, Hazel Satterfield, Wilma Martin, Ola Kennedy and Gertrude Billions all of Ardmore, AL and Yvonne McDonald of Decatur, AL; 18 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren.