



Edward Darrow Sanderson

August 7, 1929 - July 19, 2022

Edward Darrow Sanderson was born on August 7, 1929 in Whitesboro, Oklahoma to William Mcferdeson Sanderson and Minnie Josephine Bell. He passed on to Heaven on July 19, 2022 in Rio Dell, California, just a few weeks before his 93rd birthday. As the family moved numerous times in the 1930s and 40s, he was raised and attended schools in both Whitesboro and Rio Dell. Many times, he told us of the one-room school house he went to in Metropolitan. He married our mother; "Pug" Alsie Isabel McCoy, in 1948 at the Poteau, Oklahoma Justice of the Peace. Money was scarce, ,so mom had to sell a pig to pay for the marriage license.

About 1949, he and his older brothers, Jack and Murdo, found jobs in the forest industry, starting at a sawmill in Forest Knolls, California. They began felling timber in Sonoma Mendocino and Humboldt County until their retirements in the 1970s. All three brothers, after becoming Christians at Orick, California in the late 1960s, became pastors. Dad served as our pastor in the Rio Dell Baptist Church from 1970 until 1991. He and mom then returned to the Talihina-Whitesboro, Oklahoma area where he continued to pastor churches in Le Flore County, Oklahoma.

After mom's passing to heaven in 2000, dad then survived kidney and prostate cancer. He moved back to Rio Dell to live with us (Rod and Melodee) in 2006 until his appointment in Heaven with Jesus, Mom, Ronald, and Chandler just to name a few.

The Lord touched many lives through Pastor Darrow, known as dad, papa, big papa, uncle Sonny, grandpa, great grandpa and great, great grandpa both in California and Oklahoma.

A graveside memorial service will be held on Monday, August 15th, 2022 at 10:00AM at Whitesboro Cemetery in Whitesboro, Oklahoma.

Previous Events

Graveside Memorial Service

AUG 15. 10:00 AM.

Whitesboro Cemetery