



## Joseph "Joe" Evans Hicks

December 26, 1926 - October 14, 2010

Joseph Evans "Joe" Hicks, of Knoxville, TN, born December 26, 1926 in Bellefontaine, Mississippi and went to be with our Lord Jesus Christ on Thursday October 14, 2010. Having accepted Jesus Christ as his savior at an early age, he was a Charter Member of Second Baptist Church of Calhoun City, Mississippi. and served as a Deacon in both the Second Baptist Church and the Centre First Baptist Church in Centre, Alabama as well as being a teacher of Adult Men's Sunday School for many years. Joe spent 40 years in the telecommunications industry and retired as an executive with Telephone and Data Systems. Upon graduation from High School in 1944 he was drafted into the U.S. Army during WWII and served in Korea in 1945 and 1946. A recognized leader in his community and industry, he served as President of the Calhoun City, Mississippi Rotary Club and was a charter member and President of the Centre, Alabama Rotary Club. He was past Chief of the Calhoun City Volunteer Fire Department, President of the Calhoun City Chamber of Commerce and served on the board for Pinecrest Hospital. In Centre, Alabama he was a member of the board for Farmers and Merchants Bank and a member of the Industrial Development Board for Cherokee County, Alabama. In addition Joe was a Director and President of the Mississippi Alabama Independent Telephone Association. Preceded in death by loving wife of 60 years, Sue Ellenburg Hicks; parents, Rev. R.B. Hicks and Myrtis Evans Hicks; sister, Mary Elizabeth McCain and brother-in-law J.Z. McCain; sister, Elyse Gamblin and brother-in-law J.T. Gamblin. He is survived

by his devoted family: son Michael Hicks and beloved daughter-in-law Nance of Knoxville; grandsons, Jonathan Hicks of Nashville, Ryan Hicks and wife Valecia, of Birmingham, Alabama; sister, Julian Halfacre of Winona, Mississippi; brother, A.B. Hicks of Birmingham, Alabama. Mr. Hicks will be taken to Centre, Alabama where the family will receive friends from 10 -11 A.M.. Saturday October 16, 2010 at First Baptist Church, Centre with a funeral service at 11A.M. Following the service in Centre, Mr. Hicks will be taken to Calhoun City, Mississippi where the family will receive friends from 1:00-2:00 P.M. Sunday October 17, 2010 at Pryor Funeral Home with a funeral service at 2:00 P.M. Interment will follow in Pinecrest Memorial Gardens. The family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to: The Alzheimer's Association, 2200 Sutherland Avenue, Suite 102, Knoxville, Tennessee 37919. Online condolences may be made at [www.rosemortuary.com](http://www.rosemortuary.com) or [www.perryfuneral.net](http://www.perryfuneral.net). Perry Funeral Home directing.

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Sue & Family, We are so very sorry to hear of your loss. Joe was a very nice & respected friend to us and many in Cherokee County, AL. He will be missed by many. In Chrstian Love & Friendship, Billy & Elaine Brooks & Family

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**BILLY & ELAINE CALLAWAY BROOKS** - October 18, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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“ Joe and Sue were great friends and are missed terribly. Joe was a past president of the Cherokee County Chamber of Commerce of which I was the director. His, and Sue's, support and friendship made my work so much fun. He was very active in protecting Weiss Lake and in preserving it for future generations. May the family be blessed in knowing that many people loved them.

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**Mel Williams** - October 16, 2010 at 12:00 AM