



Johnie Frank Caldwell

December 21, 1923 - December 21, 2007

Johnie Frank Caldwell, 84, of Perryville, passed away December 21, 2007. He was born January 28, 1923 in Sledge, Mississippi, a son of John Warren Caldwell and Daisy Jackson Fuller. Mr. Caldwell was a WWII Army Veteran and Prisoner of War, and a machinist for General Motors.

Johnie Frank marched off to World War II in 1944. He was sent to France as an infantry soldier, and was captured by the Nazi's on June 12, 1944 six days after D-Day. Johnie was transported around Europe aboard railway cars, which were under constant attack by the allies. John has a terrific and agonizing story of his capture and treatment by the Germans. He was stood out on three different occasions to be executed, but was spared by some miracle.

He was wounded and still has shrapnel embedded in his body from the wounds he received. He has been awarded two Battle Stars, Purple Heart, Normandy and Victory Medals, among others. After the war and his eventual return to the United States, he met and married a Ms. Coy Maxine Camp, daughter of Dan and Nicie Camp of the Antioch Community. They had one daughter, Wanda Caldwell, who passed away in Eastlake, Ohio, in 2001. Johnie and Coy migrated to the Cleveland, Ohio area and worked with General Motors for many years until his retirement. On October 23, 2005 they moved back to Arkansas, to reside for the rest of their lives.

He is survived by his wife, Coy Camp Caldwell of Perryville; one brother, J.D. Caldwell of Perryville; two sisters, Mildred Moore of Ft. Smith, and Evelyn

Richardson of Walls, Mississippi;

Funeral services will be 2:00 p.m. Thursday, December 27, at Harris Chapel with Rev. Jimmy Corder officiating. Burial with Military Honors was at Oak Grove Cemetery by Harris Funeral Home of Morrilton. The family will recieve friends one hour prior to the service.

Tribute Wall



“ *Johnie Frank Caldwell*

January 30, 2023 at 02:08 AM



“ *I am sending you my love and condolences for the lost of Johnie Frank. I am his first cousin, Clint's daughter. I am so sorry for this lost, I loved him and had called him a few years ago and talked to him and he didn't remember me but that was o.k. because I did remember him and what a sweet person he was, I was only a little girl last time I saw him and he was so nice. My heart goes out to you because we just lost our brother Joe Jackson on Nov. 25, 2007 and I feel your sorrow. God Bless and all our love to each one. Your cousin Nancy Jackson Graham*

December 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ *So sorry to hear of Johnny Frank's death - we went to see him last October and enjoyed visiting with him. From the obituary I see where he had talked about his military imprisonment. If anyone has this written down I'd love to have a copy. I would have loved to hear him talk about these times. His mom, Aunt Daisy, was a favorite of ours.*

December 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM