



## Thad Sammons

May 21, 1923 - February 29, 2012

Thaddeus Edward Sammons, Jr., 88, of Taylors, husband of Racheal Lollis Sammons for 64 years, joyfully entered into his long-awaited heavenly home to be forever with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on February 29, 2012, following an extended illness.

Mr. Sammons loved the Lord first and made it his life's mission to win as many people to Christ as he could. He was very successful in this ministry, enthusiastically sharing the Gospel with family, friends, and strangers wherever he went. With his winsome personality and genuine compassion for people, he seldom ever missed an opportunity to be a witness. He was an ordained deacon and long-time member of Mountain Creek (Greenville) and Cresthill (Savannah) Baptist Churches and later a member of Pelham Road Alliance Church and currently, of Milford Baptist Church. He served in countless capacities in these churches, but missions were his passion.

Mr. Sammons loved his family deeply, serving them as a faithful Godly example, and guiding them with wisdom and quiet strength. In addition to his wife, he is survived by two sons: David Sammons, Sr. of Taylors, and Guy Sammons (Sandra) of Savannah, GA; and a daughter, Gena Mistretta (Pete), also of Taylors. Additionally, Mr. Sammons is survived by two sisters: Margaret Watson (Sam) of Warner Robbins, GA and Elizabeth Funk (Eldon) of New Albany, Indiana; three grandchildren, six great grandchildren and multiple nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his parents: Thaddeus E. Sammons, Sr. and Helen Williams Sammons, and a dear brother, Charles W.

Sammons.

Mr. Sammons loved his Country, having proudly served in the Army Air Force in World War II and later in the Civil Service from which he retired in Savannah, GA where he and the family invested their lives in ministry, expanding their family and friendships for eighteen years before returning to their home in Taylors in 1981.

Mr. Sammons was an avid reader, a Bible scholar, an honest and excellent mechanic, a pilot and an aviation enthusiast, a good story-teller and writer, a talented artist and creative crafter, a builder and a gardener. He had many interests and pursuits, enjoying life and liberty on his way to joy forever in the presence of Christ.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, March 2, 2012 at 2:00 pm at Mountain Creek Baptist Church, 255 W. Mountain Creek Rd., Greenville, with Dr. Dusty Reynolds of Savannah, GA officiating. Visitation will immediately precede the funeral service at the church from 12:45-1:45 pm. Burial will be at Mountain Creek Baptist Church Cemetery on site. The family would like to thank Meals on Wheels and Hospice of South Carolina for their special care and kindness. Online condolences may be made at [www.thewoodmortuary.com](http://www.thewoodmortuary.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 2. 12:45 PM - 1:45 PM (ET)

Mountain Creek Baptist Church  
255 W. Mountain Creek Road  
Greenville, SC

## Service

MAR 2. 2:00 PM (ET)

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255 W. Mountain Creek Road  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *The Wood Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Thad Sammons*



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**The Wood Mortuary** - February 29, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *I met Thaddeus in line at a printing store where I copied family photos...learned right then he was a strong believer as we shared family values...and enjoyed his writings in The Times Examiner. He will surely be missed by his family until they meet again in eternity it was a privilege to have know him even casually.*  
*Rosemary Reed.##imported-begin##Rosemary Reed##imported-end##*

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March 09, 2012 at 08:09 PM



“ *I was so sorry to read that Thad had passed away. I loved his wit and stories and considered him a real friend that I admired as well as Racheal. I loved to see them come to the store. My condolences to the entire family.##imported-begin##Gary Griffin ##imported-end##*

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March 07, 2012 at 08:37 AM



“ We will miss Uncle Thad. Aunt Racheal always said if he went first, he would take the "coffe pot" with him and have the coffee waiting on us when it was our turn to leave this earth.  
My heart is so broken - I will miss him so much.

Love Frances###imported-begin##Clay and Frances  
Bradburn###imported-end##

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March 01, 2012 at 08:34 PM



“ May you experience God's peace and comfort as you go through this time. We do know that Thad's home going is a celebration in heaven and his testimony on earth will remain in the lives of those he came in contact with. Phil 1:21###imported-begin##Barry and Karen Russell###imported-end##

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March 01, 2012 at 07:57 PM



“ .We sure are going to miss Thad. We remember all the fun times we use to have together at Mama Meyers' houes. We are praying for all of you during this time of loss.

We Love you.

Lollis and Jean Meyers and Family###imported-begin##Lollis and Jean Meyers###imported-end##

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February 29, 2012 at 07:31 PM