



## Mr. Bill Gay

February 8, 2012

Mr. William "Bill" Gay, of Ranburne, Alabama, passed away on Wednesday, February 8, 2012. He was 88.

Mr. Gay was born on January 28, 1924 in Addison, Alabama to the late John Gilbert and Alice Lee Gay. He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II having served in northern France. He received the Purple Heart Medal for his wounds in combat and also received eight other military accommodations. After the war, he returned to the U.S. and began a long career as a brick Mason. He was a member of Indian Creek Baptist Church.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brothers and sisters, John Gilbert Gay, Otis Gay, Tom Gay, Inez Warren, Gale Freeman, Ruby Rucks, Martha Gaines, Kate Carroll, Nannice Gaines, and Elizabeth Birdsong.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Roberts Gay; his son, Fred Gay; his daughter, Willene Isbell; and his grandchildren, Wade Gay and Jessica Gay.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, February 10, 2012 at 2:00 P.M. at Indian Creek Baptist Church. Rev. T.J. Morgan and Rev. Ralph Caldwell will officiate. Pallbearers will be Troy Gaines, Roy Gaines, Gary Smith, Paul Butler, Richard Tanner, and Tony Preston. Interment will follow in the church

cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## Indian Creek Church Cemetery

1282 N. Highway 100  
Bowdon, GA 30108

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **9**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Rainwater Funeral Home  
317 North Carroll Street  
Bowdon, GA 30108  
(770) 258-7239  
info@rainwaterfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.rainwaterfuneralhome.com>

## Service

FEB **10**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Indian Creek Baptist Church  
1282 N. Highway 100  
Bowdon, GA 30108

# Tribute Wall

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“ To the family of Bill Gay...my father (Frank McWhorter) and Bill laid many bricks together over the years. I grew up around many brick masons and for 4 generations brick and block masons are in my family and blood. Deeply I regret not knowing of this loss until this morning February 12, 2012. I would have loved to have come and spend time with the family and recount some of my fond memories of Bill and Frank.

*I do recall coming with my father to your home over off the state line road and seeing the always-smiling face of Bill. I think daddy and I were there to pick-up or drop-off some scaffolding jacks and walk boards. Working in the masonry field builds many skills and friendships that will last forever. Winston Churchill was also a skilled mason and he loved to relieve stress and keep a keen sharp mind in doing so.*

*Bill and my daddy both served in World War II as many others from this area. It is sad to see some of our heroes from the nations greatest generation pass on. However through their efforts, love, guidance and offspring the preservation of our nation and its heritage continues on in the genes and blood that runs through our veins and pumps in our hearts.*

*I pray we can pass this on to the next generations who will follow in their and our footsteps. God Bless all of you...the family and friends who have lost a great man, father, husband, uncle and sweet soul... Bill Gay.*

*Tim McWhorter*

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