



Freddie Ulyess Howard Mannis

July 7, 1944 - May 11, 2014

Freddie Ulyess Howard Mannis was born on July 7, 1944. He was the 3rd of 16 children born to William Dale Mannis Sr and Eunice Divine Wright Mannis. He departed this life May 11, 2014 at his home in DeWitt, AR, at the age of 69. He was married to Georgia Ann Haynes on August 31, 1963, and to this union was born one daughter, Melissa Ruth.

He was baptized into the General Assembly and Church of the Firstborn by Ulyess Wright on August 30, 1968, and began a career of servitude to God. He had a strong passion for the scriptures, and his ministry and life influenced all those who knew him.

Howard worked in farming as a teenager, and continued his career in the seed business working at Cornier Rice Mill, Steco Seed Co, and Tichnor Dryer. He was a faithful worker and loved the business his whole life, although two heart attacks left him disabled in 1994.

In 2008, Howard lost his wife, Georgia, after 45 years of marriage. On November 14, 2009, he married Trela Wright Thompson. This union expanded his family by 3 more children and 9 grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two wives, and 10 brothers and sisters., Carlos, Benny Lyn, Carroll, Dale, Bernard, Carlon, Melinda Mardee, Edith Faulkner, Arlene Beaton, and Callene Ward.

His is survived by his daughter, Melissa Mannis of DeWitt, Trela's 3 children, Kerby Thompson and wife Ginger of Dallas, TX, and Marvel Brown of Dallas, TX, and Landis Thompson and wife Miranda of Denver, CO, five brothers and

sisters, Myrl Simpson, Elmo Mannis, Sandra Moreno and husband Jesse, Doug Mannis, Carmella Simpson and husband Jeff, all of DeWitt, 9 grandchildren, and a host of cousins, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends.

Funeral services will be 2:00 PM Tuesday, May 13th at the General Assembly and Church of the First Born with burial at Thompson Cemetery by Essex Funeral Home, DeWitt. essexfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall

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“ *Melissa and family: So sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Mr. Howard was a great man and will be missed by many.*

Marlene Adkison, Texarkana, Arkansas

Marlene Adkison - April 27, 2018 at 01:32 PM

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“ *Words cannot describe how thankful and blessed I was to know and love Bro. Howard. He was always such a strength to me and all of God's children. I will always remember him and the great soldier that he was. My love and prayers goes out to all of his family. I love you all.*

Bro. Shawn Branham - April 27, 2018 at 01:32 PM

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“ *I went to grade school with Howard and always found him to be a kind young man. I was privileged to run into him again in July, 2012 and enjoyed looking back in time. He was still the same warm and compassionate man and it is sad knowing he has passed on. May God bring comfort to the family as you enjoy the memories.*

Peggy Carlin Grantham - April 27, 2018 at 01:32 PM



“ *Melissa, you are in my thoughts and prayers. May God Bless.*

May 13, 2014 at 12:00 AM