

JOHN HAYDEN HENDLEY OBT.

John Hayden Hendley, 87, died Tuesday Dec. 21, 2010 at Franklin United Methodist Community in Franklin. He was a life long resident of Franklin and resided for 6 years at the United Methodist Community.

John was born on May 28, 1923 to Willis H. and Mary D. (Lancaster) Hendley in Trousdale, Tenn.



He was married to Opal (McWhorter) Hendley for 54 years, she preceded him in death.

He was a machine operator for 38 years for Arvins in Franklin and also did farming for 20 years.

He was a Native American Western Cherokee. He was a strong mannered man and would help anybody. He was the clan elder of the Hendley Family Association. He enjoyed fishing, being outdoors, country music and collecting knives. He loved to tell stories. He was a loving husband and devoted father, grandfather and great-grandfather. He loved spending time with his family and he loved his 1986 Mercury car.

Survivors include five children, William H. (Julie) Hendley of Indianapolis, Fred A. (Kathy) Hendley of Martinsville, Patricia A. Hendley of Greenwood, Sheila K. (Patrick) Osteen of Brooksville, Fl., and Sharon E. "Baby Girl" Hagan of Franklin, seven grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren and many extended family members.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, two brothers, Wilbur J. and George Hendley, a sister, Jewell K. Medley and a great-grand daughter, Anna Hendley and his best friend, Fred Morrison.

A funeral service will be conducted at 12:00 pm Tuesday at the Franklin United Methodist Community, Wright Chapel, in Franklin.

Friends and family may call from 4:00 to 8:00 pm Monday at the Wright Chapel. Burial will be at Greenlawn Cemetery in Franklin.

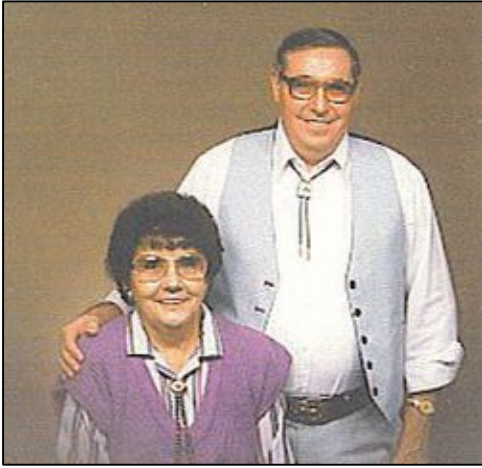
Jessen Funeral Home, Franklin Chapel, is handling arrangements.

Online condolence may be sent to jessenfuneralhome.com.

Information: 364-6155.

OPAL MAE (MCWHORTEN) HENDLEY OBT.

Opal Mae Hendley, 76, died Saturday, Dec. 4, 2004, at Franklin United Methodist Community. She was a resident of Franklin. She



was born Oct. 14, 1928, in Albany, Ky. Her parents were Arthur Lawrence and Winnie Dess (McWhorter) McWhorter. She married John Hayden Hendley on July 17, 1950. He survives. Other survivors include two sons, William H. Hendley of Indianapolis and Freddie A. Hendley of Morgantown; three daughters, Patricia A. Botts of Franklin, Shelia K. Hendley of Brooksville, Fla., and Sharon E. Hagan of Indianapolis; seven grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a son, four sisters and a brother.

(Pictured: Opal Mae (McWhorten) Hendley & her husband John Hayden Hendley).

She attended rural schools in Fairland, Ky. She was a dietary worker for Franklin United Methodist Community. She was a homemaker and assisted her husband on the Lyman McClain farm. She was a member of Franklin United Methodist Community and Kentucky Colonels. The Kentucky House of Representatives was adjourned in her honor in March 2004.

Services were entrusted to Vandivier Tudor Funeral Home of Franklin, Indiana.

*See Chapter 7 & Hendley family files at: <http://www.ajlambert.com>