

THURSTON HERSHELL GENTRY OBT.

Wife: Daisy Geraldine Roberson

Father: Erasmus Hershell Gentry (1885-1944)

Mother: Prilla Ann Massa (1895-1981)

COOKEVILLE -- Funeral services for Thurston Hershell Gentry, 83, of Cookeville, will be held Friday, Jan. 1, at 1 p.m. from the chapel of Whitson Funeral Home. Burial will be in the Gentry Cemetery. Family will receive friends today, Thursday, Dec. 31, from 4-9 p.m. and Friday, Jan. 1, from 7 a.m. until time of services at the funeral home. Lt. Gentry died Tuesday, Dec. 29, 2009, at Cookeville Regional Medical Center. He was born Nov. 23, 1926, in Putnam County to the late E.H. and Prillann Massa Gentry.

Lt. Gentry was a retired lieutenant for the Tennessee Highway Patrol, where he served for 27 years. His family includes his wife, Geraldine (Jerry) Gentry of Cookeville; two sons and daughters-in-law, Mark and Becky Gentry and Richard Gentry, all of Knoxville; a daughter and son-in-law, Christie and Steve Learn of Killen, Ala.; a brother, Calvin Gentry of Cookeville; two sisters, Ina Essex of Dayton, Ohio, and Pauline Gudgeon of Gilbert, Ariz.; three grandchildren, Alicia Harper and husband Travis, Erica Jefferies and husband Dustin, and Andy Learn; and five great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, Lt. Gentry was preceded in death by two brothers, Keathly and Stanton Gentry; two sisters, Martha Gentry Rossi and Betty Gentry; and an adopted sister, Wanda Bussell. Pallbearers will be the Tennessee Highway Patrol. Bros. Jeff Collins, Carl White and Jerry Jones will officiate the services.

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Erasmus Hershell Gentry md 2nd Eliza Beth Maxwell (1884-1910), d/o Byrd Cantrell Maxwell (1838-1905) & Nancy Martelia Gentry (1842-1911).

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