

AUBREY MARION BARRY
1917 - 2004



Aubrey M. Barry died peacefully at home surrounded by his family on Sunday, August 15, 2004, after a long courageous battle with cancer.

He was born on January 1, 1917, in Pensacola. He was a life-long member of Gadsden Street United Methodist Church and a dedicated member of the Men's Sunday School Class. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He retired from the Pensacola Naval Air Station in 1972, after more than 30 years of civil service. He married his high school sweetheart, Modeste Merritt, who preceded him in death in 2000 after 62 years of marriage. He was also preceded in death by his parents, William and Alba Barry, and a brother, William, Jr., ("Billy").

He was often described as a kind and gentle man by those who knew him, as well as a loving and devoted husband, father, grandfather and friend.

He is survived by his wife, Grace Keith (Kenney), whom he married in 2002. Other survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Bonnie and Tom Threadgill of Gulf Breeze; a son and daughter-in-law, Dr. Robert M. Barry and Gladys of El Copecito, Republic of Panama; a step-daughter and son-in-law, Kathy and Marbury Rainer of Atlanta, Ga., stepson and daughter-in-law, Keith and Evelyn Kenney of Mobile, AL; 9 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

Survivors also include his brother and sister-in-law, Bob and Minnie Barry of West Plains, MO., as well as many nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held at Gadsden Street United Methodist Church Wednesday, August 18, 2004 at 10:00am with Rev. David McVay, Dr. Robert Mills and Rev. William Barry officiating.

Harper-Morris Memorial Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

The family wishes to thank Covenant Hospice East team and Dr. A. Inclan and his staff for their care during his illness. They wish also to express a special "thank you" to Dorothy Glass, his devoted niece, Mazie Taylor and Sally McCorvey, his three wonderful caregivers.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Gadsden Street United Methodist Church 901 E. Gadsden Street, Pensacola, FL 32501 or Covenant Hospice 2001 N. Palafox, Pensacola, FL 32501.