



## Milton Lanier

May 21, 1925 - June 7, 2011

Milton Lanier, 86, of Zolfo Springs, passed away at his home on Tuesday, June 7, 2011. He was born in Hardee County on May 21, 1925 and had been a lifelong resident. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Zolfo Springs and a citrus and cattle rancher. He served in the U. S. Coast Guard. He was preceded in death by his parents, T. L. and Virgie Lanier, a brother, Shelton Lanier, and infant daughter, Constance Marie Lanier.

Survivors include his wife of 63 years, Florence Lanier of Zolfo Springs; three sons, Dennis Lanier (Mary Lou) of Zolfo Springs, John Lanier of Naples, and Hardee County Sheriff Arnold Lanier (Amy) of Zolfo Springs; one daughter, Sheryl Lanier of Zolfo Springs; two sisters, Dorothy Rose Holton of Jacksonville, and Nila Vae Morris (Max) of Winter Park; 12 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, June 9th from 6-8 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Zolfo Springs. Funeral services are at the church on Friday, June 10th at 3:00 p.m. with Rev. Trent Swanson and Rev. Jack White officiating. Interment is in Wauchula Cemetery with Military Honors provided by the DeSoto County Honor Guard.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Milton Lanier*

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**Kieth Hollingsworth** - August 02, 2011 at 07:45 PM

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“ *So sorry to hear about Mr. Lanier. I had the honor and privilege of working at the County Commissioners Office during his last couple of years as a County Commissioner. He was one of the finest and a true gentleman. He will be missed.*

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**Lisa Trussell Kalmbacher** - June 28, 2011 at 10:56 PM

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“ *I am so sorry to hear of Brother Milton's passing. He was such a nice guy, and a great friend for the past ten years or so that we attended church with him while we are in Florida for the winter. To each of you his family May God Bless You during this time, and know that he is in Heaven now waiting for you to come home..*  
*Lloyd & Freada Clark*

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**Lloyd Clark** - June 10, 2011 at 02:09 PM

JG

“ *Mr. Lanier was a wonderful neighbor & friend for all the years we lived in Zolfo. I know he and Ennis will have a time when they meet in heaven. God bless the family.*

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**Judy Gillispie** - June 08, 2011 at 02:15 PM

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“ *May God bless the entire family - we love you. Look forward to seeing Milton in heaven.*

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**Karl & Annette Bookwalter** - June 07, 2011 at 08:13 PM