## I Am Always With You

When I am gone, release me, let me go. I have so many things to see and do, You mustn't tie yourself to me with too many tears, But be thankful we had so many good years. I gave you my love, and you can only guess How much you've given me in happiness. I thank you for the love that you have shown, But now it is time I traveled on alone So grieve for me a while, if grieve you must Then let your grief be comforted by trust That it is only for a while that we must part, So treasure the memories within your heart.

I won't be far away for life goes on. And if you need me, call and I will come. Though you can't see or touch me, I will be near And if you listen with your heart, you'll hear All my love around you soft and clear And then, when you come this way alone, I'll greet you with a smile and a "Welcome Home".



## Celebrating THE LIFE OF



## **GEORGE LEWIS CUMMINGS**

December 24, 1923 ~ October 14, 2020

October 14th, 2020, at 12:15 a.m. the celebration began. George Lewis Cummings, 96 years young, took his seat at the Cummings family reunion. He joined his mother and father, Lavinia Evelyn and Ulysis Sidney, his brother Page Poindexter, his sisters Mina Jane, Lena Marie, Leah Rachel, Clara Elizabeth, Daphna Pauline, his brothers William Ross and Samuel Dwight, and his sister Ruth Flora Mae. Special guests in attendance were God and Jesus. George Lewis Cummings, born on December 24th, 1923 was the baby of the family.

The reunion took place under the oak tree, on the mountain top, outside of Leslie, Arkansas. The original homeplace, built in the mid1800's, still stands. Homemade wine, from the vineyards on the farm and made by Ulysis was served. Food for the soul was supplied by God and Jesus. It was the first time, in many, many years that the entire family has been together and never to be apart again.

George Lewis Cummings is helping to prepare a place at the reunion for his wife of 66 years, Rosa Lee, his daughter Brenda Lee, and sons Bruce Alan (Roberta), Grant W (Charlene), and Glenn Randall (Sonni). George Lewis and wife Rosa Lee have 9 grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren.

George Lewis Cummings was a Methodist. His family moved their membership to Sylvan Hills United Methodist Church on April 5th, 1959. He taught Sunday school for fifteen years. He was recognized by the Sylvan Hills United Methodist Church as man of the year in1994 and given a lifetime achievement award in 2016.

George Lewis Cummings proudly served his country during Worlds War II from 1943 until 1946 in the United States Navy. He spent most of his tour of duty in the Asiatic Pacific liberation. He was trained as a diesel mechanic for Patrol Boats (PT Boats), though he never worked on one during his tour. He was assigned to the USS Culebra, a floating repair ship.

George Lewis Cummings was a machinist for Westinghouse/North American Phillips for 37 years, when he retired in 1986. He and his brother, Dwight, owned many businesses together, the last of which was Sylvan Hills Home and Auto. The two brothers along with wives, children and friends ran that business from 1959 until 1980.

## Miss Me But Let Me Go

When I come to the end of the road
And the sun has set for me
I want no rites in a gloom-filled room
Why cry for a soul set free?

Miss me a little-but not too long
And not with your head bowed low
Remember the love that we once shared
Miss me-but let me go

For this is a journey that we all must take
And each must go alone.
It's all part of the Master's plan
A step on the road to home

When you are lonely and sick of heart
Go to the friends we know
And bury your sorrows in doing good deeds
Miss me but let me go.