



## G.H. Taylor

December 29, 2008

Mauldin, SC.....G.H. Taylor, age 88, of East Butler Avenue, died Monday, December 29, 2008 at his residence. Mr. Taylor was born in Gilbert, SC, a son of the late Adam Efird and Blanche Smith Taylor. He was married for 59 years to the late Flossie Jones Taylor. Mr. Taylor graduated from Clemson University in 1949, with a degree in horticulture. He established Taylor Nursery and operated it until his retirement in 1976. He was a US Air Force Veteran serving from 1955-1966, and in WWII. Mr. Taylor was a member of Mauldin United Methodist Church. He was predeceased by a brother, James Efird Taylor of Lexington, SC. Surviving are one son, Gerald H. Taylor of Williston, SC; one daughter, Frances L. Taylor of Columbia, SC. Graveside services will be held 10:00 AM Friday from Hillcrest Cemetery with the Rev. Kirk Lawton officiating. Memorials may be sent to Mauldin United Methodist Church Building Fund, 100 East Butler Road, Mauldin, SC 29662. Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

# Tribute Wall



“ Gerald and Francis, I want to offer my deepest condolences at the passing of your father. He meant so much to me and my family. I am so thankful that I came to know him as I developed the highest respect that one person can have for another. All of my childhood, I was afraid of Mr. Taylor as my parents instilled fear as a way of keeping the kids out of his pond and property. As an adult I took the chance to meet your father. It took everything that I had to knock on the door and tell him that the little boy that he always heard his mother calling him was now his neighbor. I thought I was going to pass out. He greeted me with open arms. From that time forward, I developed a true loving relationship that I may never have again. I take from your father, that no matter how deep your fears, if you face them head on, those three headed trolls named Mr. Taylor who carry a shotgun and eat little children, may just become a cherrished loving friend. Through your father, I learned there is no fear that I cannot overcome if I just knock on the door. Mr. Taylor, I love you, I miss you, and I thank you! Your buddy, Bobby Laemmel###imported-begin##Bobby Laemmel###imported-end##

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“ My deepest sympathies go out to you Gerald and Frances. While I did not have the childhood story like my husband, I have many that I shall cherish. The times of singing songs with both your mom and father in their home as well as just listening to the rich stories of history that they both shared will be held dearly. I had my seventh grade class read a book on Pearl Harbor one year. I knew I had the perfect person for the job in your dad. We invited them over to our home so I could interview and tape him for the kids at school to really get a feeling of what exactly was occurring. Mr. Taylor telling his story of getting on the bus for the ride to base, the boat ride around Madagascar, flying in the planes, life during the war, as well as the return home seemed to make it all come alive right at that moment. What a wonderful man! I was honored to pass on that part of history to my students as well as them hearing a real life story and taking that determination with them as Mr. Taylor did. I'm glad he is now with Mrs. Taylor as they belong with one another.##imported-begin##Tania Laemmel##imported-end##

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“ Gerald & Frances, Sorry to hear of your loss. Your parents were always devoted to each other and loved both of you very much. You can count your blessings & be grateful for all the years you had with them. Love, Bob & Mary Carole##imported-begin##Mary Carole Caughman##imported-end##

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“ My prayers and sympathies are with the family during this time. May God Bless You and give you strength.##imported-begin##Steve Sloan##imported-end##

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“ Gerald I was sorry to read of the loss of your father in "The State".  
Your Hillcrest classmate; Dwayne E. King, Jr.##imported-  
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