

**Claborn, Kenneth** | 1925-2011  
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Funeral for Kenneth Claborn, 86, of Decatur was May 31 at First Baptist Church in Decatur with Ken May and Dan Hunt officiating. Burial followed at Oaklawn Cemetery.

Claborn died Friday, May 27, 2011, in Decatur.

Born April 19, 1925, in Wise County to Prince Avitt and Elma (Ray) Claborn, he married Venita Merle King Nov. 5, 1949, in Electra. Claborn retired from Wise Electric Co-op in 1989 after 14 years as a groundman.

Claborn was a member of the First Baptist Church of Decatur and the Texas Baptist Men's Church Builders.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Maxine Pinckard.

Claborn is survived by his wife; daughters Jenny Brown and husband, Lawrence, of Plano, and Janet Johnson and husband, Randell, of Moore, Okla.; grandchildren Kenneth Mark Brown, Matthew Ryan Brown and wife, Jessica, and Michelle White and husband, Bobby; great-grandchildren Courtney Brown and Caleb Brown; and sisters Marie Dodge of Azle and Louise Choate of Krum.

Pallbearers were Lawrence Brown Jr., Matthew Brown, Randell Johnson, Jerry Brooks, Josh Brooks and Loyd Jackson.

Honorary pallbearers were the Adult 6 Men's Sunday School Class of First Baptist Church of Decatur – Kenneth Mark Brown, Edsel Dodge, Glenn King, Raymond Gann, Edwin Haney and A.C. Griffin.

Memorials can be made to the First Baptist Church of Decatur Building Fund or to the Texas Baptist Men Association, 5351 Catron Drive, Dallas, TX 75227.