

## Cross, Cecil ‘Sonny’ | 1936-2012

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Funeral for Cecil “Sonny” Cross, 75, of Decatur was Feb. 21 at Coker-Hawkins Funeral Home with Charles Taylor and Michael Feese officiating. Burial followed at Sweetwater Cemetery.

Cross died Saturday, Feb. 18, 2012, in Decatur.

Born June 24, 1936, in Decatur to Hoyt Parker “Bill” and Eva Lou (Boydston) Cross, he married Mildred Johnson Jan. 15, 2005, in Shreveport, La. He was a retired truck driver for Imperial Fabrication.

Cross is survived by his wife; daughters Tammy Slimp and husband, Jim, of Decatur, Patricia Johnson and husband, Glynn, of Forestburg, Dorothy Castleberry and husband, Bobby, of The Colony, Sandy Owen of Carrollton, Charlotte Tipton and husband, Troy Minnick, of Roanoke, Regina Gentry of Sulphur Springs and Kim Mote and husband, Robert, of Decatur; sons Rex Cross and wife, Cindy, of Decatur, David Cross and wife, Melinda, of Forestburg, Loyd Owen and wife, Elvira, of Oakwood and Frank Owen of Oakwood; 36 grandchildren; 41 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; sisters Pat Fennel and LouAnn Cate, both of Decatur; and nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were David Slimp, Shade Slimp, Bobby Cross, Griffin Miller, Brandon Hardy, Robert Mote, Bobby Castleberry and Troy Minnick.