

LEONARD W. DEMPSEY

Leonard W. Dempsey, 83, of Craigsville, went home to be with the Lord on Sept. 16, 2013, at Summersville Regional Medical Center, Summersville, after a short illness. He was born Dec. 30, 1929, in Tioga, to the late Amos and Freda Dempsey. He was preceded in death by several brothers and sisters

He was a member of the Alderson Missionary Baptist Church in Craigsville. Leonard was a coal miner for 30 plus years. He retired in 1988 and was a member of the UMWA local union #1466.

Survivors include his wife, Patricia Dempsey of Craigsville; three sons, Darrell Dempsey, Richard Dempsey and Paul Dempsey; daughter, Lynn Tyler; adopted daughter, Murriah Horton; stepson, Robert Horton; stepdaughter, Christine White; grandchildren, Wesley Tyler, Jeffrey Tyler, Michael Tyler, Jennifer Tyler and Claudia Akers; step-grandchildren, Shauna Mason, Kody Mason, and Breanna Mason; great-grandchildren, Alex Posey, Caden Posey, Jackson Tyler and Kayla Tyler; step-great-grandson, Keenan Boggs; sister, Wanda Spinks; and brother, William Dempsey.

Per Leonard's request, his body was donated to the WV School of Osteopathic Medicine as part of the Human Gift Registry. Even in death, he gives the gift of life.

Memorial services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 26, 2013 in the Alderson Missionary Baptist Church at Craigsville with Pastor Ed Groves officiating.