



## Thaxton Bennie Berch

August 25, 1923 - July 19, 2020

Thaxton Bennie Berch, 96, of Crystal Springs passed away at home on July 19, 2020. A private family services will be 11am Saturday at Stringer Family Chapel in Crystal Springs with a public graveside immediately following at New Zion Cemetery. Stringer Family Funeral Services in Crystal Springs is handling arrangements.

Mr. Berch was born on August 25, 1923 in Copiah County, Mississippi, to Sopronia Isabel Taylor and Robert Henry Berch. He was the last surviving of 12 children. He was baptized in July 1943 in a natural pool on Mr. Ernest Clower's land. He became a member of New Zion Baptist Church at that time.

Mr. Berch was a native and lifelong resident of Copiah County. In his lifetime, he farmed and raised cattle. He worked as the meat market manager at Jitney Jungle in Hazlehurst and Crystal Springs until his retirement.

He loved his family and home. Never wanted to travel and was always satisfied exactly where he was. He did not need things to be happy. His family loved him dearly and his passing leaves a deep void.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 70 years, Florence Lanell Knight.

He is survived by his sons, James Gary Berch (Denny) and Jerry Daniel

Berch (Jean) all of Crystal Springs; daughters, Vicki Jan Berch Johns (Randy) of Gallman and Deborah Lanell Berch Franklin (Tony) of Flora; grandchildren, Dr. Barry Berch (Karen) of Jackson, Shelly Berch Roses (Thomas) of Pea Ridge Arkansas, Kathy May (Larry) of Las Vegas, NV, Danny Bell of Hurst, TX, David Bell of Gulfport, Randy Bell of Miami, FL, Dr. Brad Franklin (Courtney), Dr. Laura Asbill (Brian) all of Flora, A Kyle Johns (Mimi) of Gallman, and Chris Britt (Sharee) and Ben Berch (Lauryn) all of Crystal Springs; and 23 great grandchildren. Memorials may be made to New Zion Baptist Church, Crystal Springs, MS.

We will Live Stream the service on our YouTube channel:

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCC5UtRUcIMwwMznqBN4d\\_IA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCC5UtRUcIMwwMznqBN4d_IA)

# Previous Events

## private service

JUL 25. 11:00 AM (CT)

Stringer Family Funeral Home - Crystal Springs

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## GRAVESIDE

JUL 25 (CT)

New Zion Cemetery

12023 New Zion Road

Crystal Springs, MS 39059

# Tribute Wall



“ *Stringer Family Funeral Service created a Tribute Video in memory of Thaxton Bennie Berch*



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**Stringer Family Funeral Service** - July 23, 2020 at 03:14 PM



“ *Thaxton Bennie Berch*

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January 28, 2023 at 04:45 PM



“ *I sometimes think what wonderful memories I would have missed had I not bought the Hughes land across from Mr. Thaxton. I grew up hunting the property I would eventually purchase and grew to become a part of the annual hunting experience that revolved around the Berch family, particularly at Thanksgiving and Christmas. While the morning hunt was important, it was apparent that getting back to the “home place” for turkey and family was uppermost on most everybody’s mind. Boy what memories were made on the gathering place after the run was over. Dianne and I will hold you in our thoughts and prayers as you say goodbye to Mr. Thaxton.....Mr. James*

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**james Papizan** - July 23, 2020 at 11:31 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thaxton Bennie Berch.* ”



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July 23, 2020 at 06:16 PM



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**Stringer Family Funeral Service** - July 23, 2020 at 01:53 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Thaxton Bennie Berch.* ”



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July 23, 2020 at 09:33 AM

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“ *What a full and enjoyable life you gave Thaxton. I loved seeing your family pictures. I saw Thaxton more when he and Ronnie worked at the grocery store years ago and then in later years at Brando's having lunch. He was so much fun and always had a smile. I'm thankful you all missed the nursing home experience and got to spend lots of quality time with each other. Thinking of you and praying for you,*

*Linda (Taylor) Milner*

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**Linda Milner** - July 22, 2020 at 08:08 PM



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**Stringer Family Funeral Service** - July 22, 2020 at 02:34 PM



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**Stringer Family Funeral Service - July 21, 2020 at 05:12 PM**