

# Rev Richard J Wriston

**MOSSY - The Rev. Richard Jennings Wriston, 87, died Tuesday, March 5, 2002, at Plateau Medical Center, Oak Hill. Born March 27, 1914, in Mossy, he was the son of the late John Richard and Nannie Wright Wriston. Rev. Wriston was a member of Fairview Methodist Church, East Kingston. He graduated from Kingston High School in 1936 and studied forestry at the University of Idaho. During World War II he served in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers from 1942 to 1945 building roads, docks, bridges, hospital units and fuel storage sites in New Guinea, Dutch New Guinea and the Philippines. He worked for the Fay-ette County office of the Soil Conservation Commission from 1948 to 1974. In this position he advised farmers on soil conservation techniques, designed and built farm ponds and planted trees on abandoned farm land and strip mines. After retirement from the Soil Conservation Commission, he became an honorary minister with the United Methodist Church. He pastored at the Kincaid Charge, Fairview United Methodist Church, Harvey Chapel, Beards Fork Charge and Workman's Creek Charge. He also worked as a water plant operator for the Mossy Public Service District for 11 years. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Ashtoreth Stevens Wriston; three brothers, Arlie Ray Wriston of Oak Hill, Troy William Wriston of Minerva, Ohio, and Emmett Morris Wriston of Mossy; four sisters, Virtue Hassig of Charles-ton, Zola T. Ellison of Delaware, Ohio, Dessie May Holly of Pax and Norma Right Wriston of Mossy; and two grandchildren, Jason Bricker of Phi-ladelphia and Dylan Richard Wriston of Oak Hill. Survivors include two daughters, Evelyn Bricker and her husband, Paul, of East Kingston and Nancy Elizabeth Eischeid and her husband, Bill, of O'Fallon, Ill.; two sons, John Richard Wriston of Wheaton, Md., and William Jennings Wriston and his wife, Rose, of Oak Hill; a sister, Betty Lue Wriston of Mossy; and five grandchildren, Anna Elizabeth Bricker, Paul Richard Bricker, Chelsea Simone Bricker, Jessica Lynn Wriston and Cassandra René Eischeid. Service will be 11 a.m. Saturday at Fairview United Methodist Church, East Kingston, with the Revs. Arolette Stover and Betty Lusk officiating. Burial will follow in Wriston Cemetery, Lick Fork, with military graveside rites by VFW Post 3110 of Oak Hill. Friends may call 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at Tyree Funeral Home, Oak Hill, and one hour before service Saturday at the church. Family members will serve as pallbearers. Arrangements by Tyree Funeral Home, Oak Hill.**

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