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## Bishop Bill Rogers, May 1, 1923 — May 25, 2015

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Bishop William R. Rogers, Sr., 92, of Fulton left his earthly home and entered his heavenly home on Monday, May 25, 2015.

He was born May 1, 1923, in North Carolina to the late William R. and Annie J. (Lunsford) Rogers.

On August 4, 1949, he was united in marriage to Clara Rebecca Burch. She preceded him in death on September 7, 2001.

Bishop Rogers proudly served his country in the United States Navy during World War II, including the Battle of Okinawa. In 2010, he was delighted to be able to visit the nation's capital along with other veterans as part of Central Missouri Honor Flight.

Bishop Rogers and his family moved to Fulton in 1958 to pastor the Church of God. He dedicated his life to serving God in all ways. His calling led him to preach the word to 90 nations on 106 mission trips.

When he was younger, he was a minor league umpire. He was an avid hunter and loved spending time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Those remaining to mourn his loss and cherish his memory include son, William (Teri) Rogers of Holts Summit; daughters, Sheila Bruner of Tipton and Vicky (Randy) Giboney of Fulton; sisters, AdaLee Griffin of Burlington, North Carolina, and Eunice Edwards of Plainsville, Georgia; brothers-in-law Gerald Dickerson of North Carolina and Darrell Burch of Virginia; grandchildren Scott (Laura) Shea of Kansas, Shane (Suzie) Rogers of New Bloomfield, Shelly (Clayton) Vaughan of Fulton, Shawnna (Valle) Tovar of Oklahoma, Tim (Mandi) Giboney of Columbia and Chelci Rogers of Holts Summit; and great-grandchildren Hudson and Peyton Henderson of Columbia, Aidan Tovar of Oklahoma, Tanner and Kaylee Vaughan of Fulton, William Rogers of New Bloomfield, Rylee Shea of Kansas, Landon Giboney of Columbia and Tyler Moore of the U.S. Navy.

Along with his wife and parents he was preceded in death by brother, Bernice Rogers, and sister, Nobie Dickerson.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, May 30, 2015, at Maupin Funeral Home in Fulton with Reverend Gary Garrett and Reverend Burdette Cook officiating.

The family will receive friends from 4 until 7 p.m. on Friday, May 29, 2015, at the funeral home. Interment will be in Stephens Cemetery. Memorial donations are suggested to the mission fund of the donor's choice, c/o Maupin Funeral Home, 301 Douglas Blvd., Fulton, MO 65251.

Condolences may be left for the family at www.maupinfuneralhome.com (http://www.maupinfuneralhome.com/).