



## Arthur James Scott

March 3, 1932 - January 15, 2014

Arthur James Scott of Brady was born March 3, 1932, to Ermel Clifton Scott and Anna Louise Spinks in St. Vrain, New Mexico. He received his "promotion" from this life on January 15, 2014, in Brady, Texas, at the age of 81.

Mr. Scott was known for different things to different people, but most who met him loved him. "Faith" was a weak word for him as he was always talking about the Love of God as evidenced in his life and the lives of others around him. Always one to help people, it was said that he'd give you the shirt off his back and throw in a coat for good measure. Not many people had the gift of fixing things that he had, and there are many stories of him fixing problems that had stumped seemingly educated people. His love of people often took him to the nursing home to visit the residents as well as sing for them. He enjoyed playing the guitar for church as well as musicals in Pontotoc, Valley Spring (smaller towns in the area) and other places. He could never give the standard response when asked how he was doing. Instead, he said "WONDERFUL" with this growl to his voice that never failed to bring a smile to the person he was talking to. This was done so often that some started to call him Mr. Wonderful. Then he would begin to paraphrase John 10:10 and Galations 5:22 by saying that Jesus came that we might have life and life more abundant with love, joy, and peace and to participate in anything less would be crazy. So he would prefer to be WONDERFUL (growl to the voice) instead of the other.

Mr. Scott was not afraid of death like many of us are. Instead, he referred to it as getting a "promotion." He loved the fact that he would one day be in the presence of God constantly even though he KNEW God was living in his heart. He often said that he looked forward to it but wanted to live on earth as long as God wanted him here. So even though he is sorely missed, those who love him have no doubt he is in a much better place and wouldn't bring him back. He is where he belongs.

He is survived by one son, Dale Scott and wife Teena of Pontotoc; two daughters: Jaton Alf and husband Karl of Stafford and Renee Conn and husband Jimmy of Brady; and one brother, Keith Scott and wife Sue of Plains. Grandchildren include: Katelin Morris and husband Cory of San Angelo, Leigh Ellis and wife Donna of Houston, Tristan Alf of Pensacola, Florida, Lindsay and Katrina Alf, both of Stafford, Calvin Hope of San Angelo, and Cynthia and William Hope, both of Brady. He also had one great-granddaughter, numerous nieces and nephews as well as numerous blended family members. Special friends include Linda and Ernest Burns of Robert Lee and Rosario "Chayo" Duran of El Paso. He was preceded in death by his parents as well as the beloved mother of his children, Lucille Scott.