



## Mr. Russell Edward "Ed" Welch

October 4, 1925 - April 20, 2018

### Russell Edward (Ed) Welch

Russell Edward Welch, 92, of McDavid, FL, went to be with the Lord April 20, 2018. Ed was born October 04, 1925 in Riviera Beach, Florida. He was a member of First Baptist Church of Bratt. His family moved to McDavid while he was in High School, he graduated from Tate High School and later went to work for St. Regis Paper Co. where he worked for 40 years, retiring in 1985. Ed and his wife Teresa loved to travel; they traveled extensively in the states and abroad, vacationing in many countries, even to his ancestor's homeland of Ireland. He loved to work in the garden and grew most of the vegetables they ate; he also loved to fish anytime he had a chance.

Mr. Welch is preceded in death by his wife of 63 years Teresa Beatrice Welch, his father and mother, Claude & Farabelle Welch, two sisters, Olivia Magness and Eunice Browning and two brothers, Fred and Tommy Welch.

Russell Welch is survived by one daughter, Nancy Brook and husband, Joe of McDavid, Florida; one son Gregory Welch and wife Gwen of Cantonment, Florida; one grandson Matthew Brook and wife Connie; one granddaughter Jessica Welch of Monroe, LA.; 4 great grandchildren, Taylor, Kylie, Gracen Brook, and River Welch; one sister Ruth McNeil of Crestview; one sister-in-law Carolyn (Wayne) Milligan of Cantonment and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, April 24, 2018 at 10:00 AM at the Petty-Eastside Chapel Funeral Home with Rev. Delbert Redditt officiating.

Burial will follow at the Ray's Chapel Cemetery.

Visitation will be held Monday April 23, 2018 from 6 to 8 PM at the Petty-Eastside Chapel Funeral Home.

Pallbearers will be Bill Welch, Gary Welch, Elton Gilmore, Eric Gilmore, William Chancery and Jimmy Malone.

The family is grateful for the love, prayers, and support of family and friends, also church family, and the care he received from the many staff members of Emerald Coast Hospice.

Petty Funeral Homes was entrusted with the arrangements, friends and family may go online to view obituaries, offer condolences and sign a guest book at [www.pettyfuneralhomes.com](http://www.pettyfuneralhomes.com)

# Cemetery

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**Ray's Chapel Cemetery**

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# Events

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**APR Visitation 06:00PM - 08:00PM**

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Petty-Eastside Chapel Funeral Home LLC  
9260 Highway 31, Atmore, AL, US, 36502

**APR Service 10:00AM**

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# Comments

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“ "UncLed" has a huge place in my heart. I was blessed to have him and his family living on the hill. So many great memories of a kind, loving and God fearing man that it's hard to share just one. Right now I'm remembering he wanted me to learn to water ski. He demonstrated, gave me detailed instructions and had me watch Nancy and Greg ski. He set me up with the skis and rope and got back into his BELOVED boat. As he drove off I played submarine! He patiently encouraged me to keep trying. I still can't water ski, but I am good at being the spotter!

Pamela Robinson Callahan - April 22, 2018 at 09:57 AM

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“ Ed Welch was a shift foreman in the Pulping area of the mill at Cantonment when I came on board in late 1983. He was an outstanding employee and supervisor for the area he covered. Never heard him say a harsh word about another employee and was highly respected by all who knew him. He was given, with two other shift supervisors, an opportunity for an early retirement just before Champion Paper Co. purchased St. Regis. He was extremely receptive to the idea of early retirement and jumped at the opportunity. He has been a friend for many years now and we grieve with the family and other friends in the loss of this good man.  
Tommy Surles

T. (Tommy) L.Surles, III - April 21, 2018 at 08:39 PM

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“ Linda and Rick Brown purchased the Yellow & White Sympathy Standing Basket for the family of Mr. Russell Edward "Ed" Welch.



Linda and Rick Brown - April 21, 2018 at 03:05 PM

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“ Ed Welch was a fine man. He told me wonderful stories about the " Welch Clan.". Ed said to me. " Welcome to the Welch Clan.." and after being out of touch for so long from my family roots, it was so wonderful to hear his kind welcoming voice. Now the Lord has welcome him home.  
Linda Brown.. daughter of Louise Welch.

