

Citizens of the Month

Allen & Laura Virginia Hudson



Allen Moore and Laura Virginia (L.V.) Hudson have lived at their home place in the Rover Community since 1947. Allen, born September 8, 1914 in the Bunker Hill Community, is the son of Mary and Lee Hudson. He was one of eight children growing up in the Eagleville- Rover- College Grove – Kirkland area. Allen and his siblings helped their parents in the field and with farm chores while growing up. He attended area schools of the communities they lived in.

Laura Virginia, better known as L.V. was born August 29, 1920 near Rover in Bedford County and was the daughter of Cleveland and Mahalia Potts Sanders. L.V. married Everett White, son of Leonard Strickland and Ora Emily Reed White of the Flat Creek Community in Williamson County. They had

two daughters; Barbara Juanita White born July 17, 1936 and Virginia Ora Hallie Virginia White born August 5, 1939. Everett died May 20, 1940.

L.V. and Allen married on September 19, 1942 and Allen was inducted into the U. S. Army on December 31, 1942 at Ft. Oglethorpe, Georgia. When he left Ft. Oglethorpe, he was sent to Ft. Ord, California on a troop train. Ft. Ord was a major training post during World War II. From Ft. Ord, he was sent to Attu Island in Alaska where the weather was extremely cold with several feet of snow most of the time. The soldiers would dig out holes in the side of a mountain and sleep in sleeping bags. Sometime the holes would fill up with water and they would have to dig new holes. He worked on a ship unloading supplies for the troops, into small boats that would take them to shore. One day his leg was caught on a hook that was lifting supplies up in a net to dump them into a boat. He finally managed to kick out of the net and fell on to the ship. The fall crushed his knee and broke his leg. He stayed in Dutch Harbor Hospital for about 2 months and then returned to Attu Island. After his accident he was given a job in the motor pool. His job was to drive the Colonel everywhere he wanted to go. He continued to have trouble with his leg and was dismissed from the Army with a medical discharge in May 1945. He rode a train to Nashville and hitch hiked from Nashville to Chapel Hill, Tennessee where his family was living while he was in the service.

After returning home, Allen's family lived in the Unionville area and he started farming and trading

livestock. Their daughter, Janice Faye was born January 17, 1946 and they soon moved to Rover where he continued livestock trading until a few years ago when at the age of 86 he retired because of health problems. There aren't many farmers in this area that hasn't bought from or sold Allen livestock.

On September 19, 1992. Allen and L.V. celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary with their family and friends. Along with their three daughters; Barbara Juanita who married Jimmy D. Beasley (d. 1979), Virginia who married 1st Harold Spence (d. 1994) and 2nd John Thomas Taylor and Faye who is married to Ronnie Sudberry; they have six grandchildren and eleven great grandchildren.



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