



## Claude Mayo

August 3, 1923 - February 3, 2009

August 3, 1923 started out to be just another North Carolina summer day for the little town of Greenville. Nothing special was happening, "the pigs were happy playing in the mud in the sunshine." Only Bessie Barnes Mayo and Willie Mayo recognized that a change was gone to come. Not they, nor the child himself would ever realize the impact he would have on generations to come. Since nobody can tell a story like CLAUDE MAYO can tell one, I'll just tell his story the way told it to me...Miss Taffry was the midwife who delivered me. I guess she did that alright, 'cause for eighty-five years I was still here! Funny thing though, it took me sixty years to get a birth certificate, I guess she filed it a little too late! People always said I had a great memory for dates and numbers; anyway, we lived at 1216 Green Street and we were the only people with a telephone 'cause Uncle Leroy Barnes worked for the phone company. I guess you could say there were lots of things that I was pretty good at, but school wasn't one of them. I do remember Mrs. Salty though, she was my teacher. I was in fourth grade and she promoted me to the sixth. I'm not sure if it was because I was smart or because I was too tall! Believe it or not, I can still remember every job I had. My first job, at fifteen, was delivering groceries for Honey Cut Independent and Askew Markets. My delivery vehicle was a two-wheeled bike with a basket on the front. I worked six and a half days a week and made \$3.50 a week! My last job was with the Baltimore County Public Schools and I retired from there in 1988. Ethel "Merry" used to say, "Claude why don't you get yourself a part-time job?" But I told her, "Being

retired is my job and I ain't doing nothing else!" I used to work on a potato farm and sleep in box cars until the age of eighteen, I decided I could do more with white potatoes, so I enlisted in the Army and served three years, seven months and eight days (don't play that number)! Uncle Sam gave me two bronze stars, one victory medal and \$100 mustering out pay. I also had a brand new baby girl, Lillie Mae White. I also didn't know a thing about being a father, but I knew I couldn't feed a baby and me for very long on \$100.

# Tribute Wall



“ Claude Mayo

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“ To the family and friends of Mr. Claude Mayo, Please accept my sincere condolences for the loss of your beloved Mr. Mayo. Death is a untimely and cruel enemy that only the "God of all comfort,"(2 Corinthians 1:3) can help us to endure. God's word, the Holy Bible also promises at Acts 24:15, that we can be reunited with our loved ones in the near future.I pray that this precious hope will give you comfort during this time of bereavement.###imported-begin###Brenda Curtis###imported-end##

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“ I would like to express my condolences to Mr. Mayo's family and friends. The loss of a dearly loved one can seem untimely and painful at any age, that's why the Bible calls death an "enemy." But, please be assured that God promises to do away with that enemy and all the pain it causes, according to 1Corinthians 15:26 and Revelation 21:4. Yes, these are the promises of God, who cannot lie-Titus 1:2. May you continue to find comfort in God's Word of Truth, the Bible.###imported-begin###Valerie Johnson###imported-end##

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“ To the family and friends of Claude Mayo. I offer my sincere sympathy. I did not have an opportunity to meet your loved one, however I know the sadness associated with the loss of one you love and I know the comfort offered by God in his Word the Bible. Please read John 5:28,29 and Acts 24:15 which talks about the hope of a resurrection for the righteous and the unrighteous. After reading these two scriptures please turn your attention to John 3:16 and Matthew 20:28. These two scriptures tell us why we can put faith in the promise of a resurrection. May these provide you with comfort and hope as they have for me.##imported-begin##Peggy Land##imported-end##

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“ I send my deepest condolences to the family at this most difficult time. May you be comforted by the promise of the resurrection, and the end to sickness and death forever. God makes this wonderful promise to us at Isaiah 25:8. "He will actually swallow up death forever, and the Sovereign Lord Jehovah will certainly wipe the tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, because Jehovah himself has spoken it." So soon death will be no more, and we won't have to bury our loved ones ever again. As for Claude and millions of others who have already died, God promises that all those in the memorial tombs will hear the voice of his Son Jesus, and come out of those tombs. May you find comfort in these wonderful promises from Jehovah God, and may your fond memories of Claude help to carry you through.##imported-begin##Rita Johnson##imported-end##

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“ Dear Mayo Family, My sincere condolences goes out to you. May you find comfort in Almighty God promise at John 5:28,29 and Revelation 21:3-5. Please take the time to read those promises and find a measure of comfort during this time of bereavement.##imported-begin##V. Adams##imported-end##

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“ Family! Poppa Cool will always be with us as long as we keep memories of him in our hearts. He has reunited with the love of his life at the Lord's side to enjoy eternal happiness. God Bless.##imported-begin##Tam & Tony Brown##imported-end##

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“ The Children of Leroy & Irma Mayo wish to extend our heartfelt condolences to our family during this time of bereavement. We are there to support and walk alongside you now and forever.##imported-begin##Valerie Dukes##imported-end##

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