

Francis "Billy" Burns

December 4, 1931 - March 6, 2019

Funeral Service for Francis "Billy" Burns, 87, of Spring Garden will be Friday, March 08, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. at Thompson Funeral Home with Dr. Tony McCain and the Rev Neale Lanigan officiating. The family will receive friends two hours prior to the service. Burial with SCV honors will follow at Carmel Cemetery. Mr. Burns passed away Wednesday, March 06, 2019 at Gadsden Regional Medical Center. Survivors include wife of 63 years, Martha Davis Burns; two daughters, Cathy Tex (Roy) of Montana and Pam Bruner of Hoover; two granddaughters, Anna Leigh Bruner and Haley Bruner; brother, R. Hugh Burns of Decatur, Ga.; and several nieces and nephews. Pallbearers will be Wayne Smart, Ray Ragan, Jeff Formby, Dustin Formby, Dick Yurk, and Paul Burns. Mr. Burns was born and raised in Spring Garden and was a 1950 graduate of Spring Garden High School. After high school, he enlisted in the Navy where he served on the USS Twining. He was an active member of the Savage-Stewart Camp of Sons of Confederate Veterans and a longtime member of Carmel Community Church, where he served as an elder and song leader. Mr. Burns farmed for many years in the Spring Garden area. He took pride in helping people and had a strong work ethic for his community. He was an avid local genealogist and enjoyed watching Atlanta Braves Baseball and Kentucky Wildcats Basketball. He was a loving husband, father, and grandfather. Mr. Burns was preceded in death by his parents, Joe and Lucille Burns. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial contributions be made to Carmel Community Church, P.O. Box 61, Spring Garden, AL 36275 or to

Sons of Confederate Veterans, 420 Hebble Highway, Piedmont, AL 36272.

Cemetery Details

Carmel Cemetery

County Road 33
Piedmont, AL 36272

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 8. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Thompson Funeral Home & Crematory
6340 Old Piedmont-Gadsden Hwy
Piedmont, AL 36272
(256) 447-7113
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Service

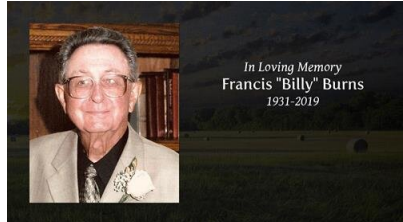
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Tribute Wall



“ *Thompson Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Francis "Billy" Burns*



Thompson Funeral Home - March 30, 2020 at 12:12 PM

CB

“ *Craig Burnes lit a candle in memory of Francis "Billy" Burns*



Craig Burnes - March 09, 2019 at 05:53 PM

WM

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the family. Billy was a good friend and neighbor.*



Wanda McCurdy - March 08, 2019 at 01:10 PM

DA

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Mr. Bill Burns was such a fine, generous man. He will be greatly missed.

Dennis and Donna Acker

Donna Acker - March 07, 2019 at 07:09 PM

KL

“ Karen Ledbetter And Jo Ledbetter sent a virtual gift in memory of Francis "Billy" Burns



Karen Ledbetter and Jo Ledbetter - March 07, 2019 at 12:18 AM

KC

“ Kelle Cash lit a candle in memory of Francis "Billy" Burns



Kelle Cash - March 06, 2019 at 10:05 PM

BR

“ So sorry to hear about Billy.

Betty Ray - March 06, 2019 at 05:37 PM