



Jospeh Hillman, Jr.,

June 25, 1921 - December 31, 2016

Graveside service with full military honors for MSGT (Ret.) Joseph Hillman, Jr., 95, will be Wednesday, January 04, 2016 at 1:00 P.M. (CST) at Oaknoll Memorial Gardens in Rome, Ga with Dr. Lewis Conaway officiating. The family will receive friends Wednesday from 11- 12 (CST) at Thompson Funeral Home. Mr. Hillman passed away Saturday, December 31, 2016 at Jacksonville Health and Rehab Center. Survivors include his sons, Vern B. Hillman (Terry) of Palmer, Alaska and Steven Mark Hillman of Rock Run; four grandchildren, Jennifer Hillman Whatley (Robert), Kimberly Welch (Rudy), Jonathan Hillman (Amber) and Matthew Hillman (Casandra); and eight great grandchildren, Joshua Welch, Noah Welch, Jordyn Welch, Solomon Welch, Sydney Hillman, Caleb Whatley, Zoe Whatley, and Eden Whatley. Pallbearers will be members of the military honor guard. Honorary pallbearers will be the men of the Rock Run Community. Mr. Hillman had been a resident of Rock Run since 1966 where he was a member of Rock Run Baptist Church. He served in the United States Army during WWII and the United States Air Force during the Korean War and the beginning of the Vietnam War. He retired as a Master Sergeant with 20+ years service in the United States Air Force. He was chief of the electric shop at Fort McClellan for 15 years and was the last surviving Gold Star Father in the Piedmont area. He loved building things, helping his neighbors, gardening, and cooking. He was preceded in death by a son 1st Lt. Joseph Hillman III whom was killed in action on July 22, 1968 in Vietnam; a daughter, Joyce Hillman; a granddaughter, Katie Lynn Bradley; daughter in

law, Johnnie Lynn Hillman; and wife of 67 years, Mrs. Connie B. Hillman.
Flowers may be sent or memorial contributions may be made to Rock Run
Baptist Church, 4385 County Road 12, Piedmont, AL 36272.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Mr.Hillman had been our neighbor and church family member for 30 years. We are so sad to learn of his passing. He will be missed especially during the Rock Run Community Christmas Parade where he was selected to be our Honorary Mayor & Grand Marshall since the beginning of the parade. We will remember all the good times.*

David & Tonya Pike - June 20, 2018 at 03:37 PM

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“ *My deepest sympathies to the Hillman family for the loss of Joseph Jr. May God's Word strengthen you during this time of mourning. (Isa. 41:10,13)*

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“ *You are all in my thoughts and prayers. May the wonderful memories of your loved one sustain you until God's promises are fulfilled. (John 6:40).*

Gwendolyn Leake - June 20, 2018 at 03:37 PM

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“ *My heart and prayers are with your family during this time of bereavement. Share the happier days with family and friends, and call on the God of Tender Mercy for strength and a peaceful future. Isaiah 40:29 -*

M H - June 20, 2018 at 03:37 PM



“ May 5 28,29 prove to be a source of encouragement for your family at this time

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“ Hillman family,I'm so sorry for your loss. I wouldn't wish the pain of loosing a loved one on anyone. I hope that you'll be strengthened and encouraged by those around you- Proverbs 17:17. My condolences for your loss.

January 18, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Hillman family,I am sorry for your loss. As you deal with this difficult time may you find peace from "the god of all comfort" as mentioned at 2 cor 1:3.-Asanti K

January 05, 2017 at 12:00 AM