



## James C. Claiborne

October 22, 1927 - October 8, 2018

James C. Claiborne, age 90, of Greenbrier, TN passed away at his home under the care of HighPoint Hospice on Monday, October 8, 2018.

Arrangements entrusted to Austin & Bell Funeral Home, 2619 Hwy 41 S., Greenbrier, TN.

There are no local services planned. The family plans on a Celebration of Life, Sunday, October 21st at the home of Daniel & Renee Greene, 1005 Kennedy Lane Cottontown, TN from 2pm to 4pm.

He was born in Lafayette, TN (Macon County) on November 25th, 1927 to the late Wilson Alexander and Altie Hire Claiborne. He was also preceded in death by siblings, Roy Claiborne, Cordell Claiborne, Mary Nixon, Gracie Smith and Louise Gammon.

James first served in the US Navy and later retired from the US Air Force with a total of 20 years service. "Pappy" was a skilled Butcher in the service and in the grocery industry. He loved to buy, sell and trade pocket knives. He was known in the knife world as the "Ripper".

He is survived by his loving wife of 67 years, Dixie Harper Claiborne; son, Michael Claiborne; daughter, Peggy Jo (Eddie) Slagle; grandchildren, Renee (Daniel) Greene, Chad Whitehead, Ashley (Stuart) Mobley; great-grandchildren, Bridgette Greene, AnnaBeth Greene, Maura Mobley and Laurel Mobley.

Online condolences may be made at [www.austinandbell.com](http://www.austinandbell.com)



# Tribute Wall

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“ So sorry to learn of James' passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

*Joey and Susie Sloan*

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**Joey Sloan** - October 16, 2018 at 08:10 PM

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“ So sorry for your loss. Steve and I will keep you in our prayers.

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**Lisa and Steve Kadwell** - October 15, 2018 at 08:42 AM



“ So sorry to hear about Uncle James passing away. I thought a lot of him and loved to hear him talk about his knives! I too now collect knives and hope I will have as many as he has in his collection someday! I know this will be hard on everyone and know I am thinking of you all in my prayers and if there is anything I can do for any of you I will.

*Please keep me posted if you do a celebration of his life. I love all of you and take care of Dixie, she will need all of you now more than ever....*

*Sissy (Belinda Wilson)*

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**Belinda Wilson** - October 08, 2018 at 05:19 PM