



Rufus Morrison Harper

May 6, 1941 - June 27, 2012

Rufus Harper was born May 6, 1941 to the late James R. and Annie Olene Hadley Harper in Davidson County, Tennessee. He passed away at his residence in Portland on June 27, 2012. In addition his parents he is preceded in death by his wife, Dorothy Harper; son, Charles M. Harper; brother; Charles Harper; sisters, Glenda Cobb and Gwendolyn Held. Rufus was a member of 11th Street Church of Christ. He retired from Rock City Mechanical Company as a pipe fitter. Rufus is survived by his sons, James (Charlotte) Harper of Murfreesboro, TN. and Jerry (Patti) Harper of White House; daughter, Paula (Russell) Craig of Portland, TN.; brothers, Richard (Opal) Harper of Madison, TN. and Dewey "Foster" (Mary Ann) Harper of Smyrna, TN.; sisters, Patricia Gleaves of Nashville and Shirley Robinson of Smyrna; six grandchildren and nine great grandchildren. Funeral service for Rufus will be Saturday, June 30 at 10:00 a.m. in the White House Chapel of Austin and Bell Funeral Home with Bro. Morris Watson officiating the service. Burial will follow in Hillcrest Cemetery, White House, TN. Pallbearers will be Rance Craig, Michael Harper, Sean Sullivan, Greg Hickman and Mark Tate. Visitation with the family will be Thursday, June 28, from 3:00 to 8:00 p.m., on Thursday, June 29th from 10:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. AUSTIN & BELL WHITE HOUSE is in charge of arrangements.