



Edward Joshua Mathis, Sr.

November 13, 1925 - July 27, 2012

Funeral service for Edward Joshua Mathis, Sr., age 86, of Decatur, will be Sunday, July 29, 2012, 4:00 p.m. at Shelton Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Dallas Culver and Rev. Keith Wright officiating. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Interment will be Monday, July 30, 2012, in Memphis Memorial Gardens. Mr. Mathis, who died Friday, July 27, 2012, at Decatur General Hospital, was born November 13, 1925, in Iowa, to Milo Jennings Mathis and Olga Janda Mathis. He was in the 63rd division, 254th Infantry regiment of the US Army in WWII. He was a member of the Masons in Memphis, TN. He retired from Redstone Arsenal Army Missile Command. He was preceded in death by his parents, his sister, Catherine Horn and brothers, Milo J. Mathis, II, Frank Bures and Chuck Bures. He was a loving husband, father and grandfather and will be greatly missed. He is survived by his loving wife, Bernice "Jean" Campbell Mathis of Decatur, his son, Edward J. Mathis, Jr. (Scarlott) of Hartselle; his daughter, Phyllis Mathis Holt (Jerry) of Trinity; his granddaughter, Emily H. Hollis (Heath) of Trinity; two step grandchildren, Chris Holt (Beth) of Athens and Pam Hale (Tony) of Trinity; Four step great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. Pallbearers will be family and friends. The family would like to thank Hospice of the Valley and the doctors and nurses at Decatur General Hospital for their excellent and loving care.

Tribute Wall



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“ We are so sorry to hear of Eddie's passing. We will miss him at our monthly Redstone Luncheons and in our everyday lives. You and he were such a blessing to us all and seemed the perfect match. Our thoughts and prayers are with you , today as you say your farewell, and in the coming days ahead as you adjust to live without him. Please know that if there is anything we can do for you, you have only to ask. God bless you and your family is our prayer. The Redstone Retirees



Judy L. Gaut - July 29, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ My Uncle died today. Edward J. Mathis Sr. was 86 years young. I will miss him greatly. You see, I grew up without a father. I am sure Phyllis and Eddie Jr. know how lucky they have been. Yes, there were father figures in my life - very good ones, too. My grandfather, Milo J. Mathis Sr., was. Also, there was Mr. Grimes in our neighborhood when I was a child. Uncle Eddie was there and Uncle Milo too, when I was growing up. As time passes and life happens, I sort of lost track of Uncle Eddie. He and Aunt Jean moved their family to Alabama. I went into the military and eventually landed in Arizona. I reconnected with Uncle Eddie after many years when I decided to buy some software and create a family tree. I am so glad I did. Uncle Eddie, or the Internet King as we call him, was always corresponding with me via computer. Most days I received a dozen messages on every topic imaginable. We shared stories, photos, and many laughs. Those that really knew Uncle Eddie, if asked, would likely talk first about how funny he could be. Aunt Jean was no doubt his perfect partner. The contrast of his deep clever wit against her non-stop caring and efficiency could not be better scripted. I created a DVD for their 60th Anniversary from old family photos. Many of the photos are now priceless to me. There is one of Uncle Eddie in the highest, smallest branches of a tree as a youngster. There is one of him in his Army uniform - holding a duck. But certainly one of my favorites shows Uncle Eddie with his parents and brother and sister on the front porch. He was the last of them to pass. I miss them all. And I already miss him greatly.
"Ricky" Horn



Rick Horn - July 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM