



## Stephen Anthony Sowell

May 2, 1946 - January 3, 2020

Rosary for Stephen Anthony Sowell, Sr., age 73, of Decatur, will be Saturday, January 11, 2020, 11:30 a.m. at Annunciation of the Lord Catholic Church. The family will receive friends at the church from 12:00 p.m. until 1:00 p.m. A Funeral Mass, with Father Charles Merrill officiating, will begin at 1:00 p.m. Shelton Funeral Home is assisting with arrangements.

Mr. Sowell died Friday, January 3, 2019, at his residence. He was born May 2, 1946, in Hamilton, OH, to Fennon E. Sowell and Mary Davidson Sowell. Following 35 years of service, he retired from International Paper. He was very mechanically inclined and kept the family vehicles and RV's tuned up and rolling. Mr. Sowell was an avid bass fisherman, and loved his family beyond measure.

He is survived by his loving wife of 54 years, Joan E. (Kurtz) Sowell of Decatur; one son, Stephen A. Sowell, Jr. of Caddo; three daughters, Teri Adams, Karen Morland (Matt), and Sarah Traylor (Derek), all of Decatur; one sister, Wendy Ashley (Michael) of Hamilton, OH; 10 grandchildren, Justin Adams, Caitlin Adams, Clay Morland, Ryleigh Morland, Maddie Morland, Shanna Sowell, Kevin Conrad, Alicia Conrad, Dillon Traylor, and Dawson Traylor; and one great-grandson, Silas Adams.

In lieu of flowers, the family respectfully requests memorial donations be

made to Hospice of the Valley, P. O. Box 2745, Decatur, AL 35602.