



Billy Snow James

June 6, 1942 - January 9, 2023

Billy Snow James, a resident of Morris, Alabama, passed away January 8, 2023, at the age of 80. Billy was born on June 6, 1942, in Birmingham, Alabama to Snow Messenger and Ida (Smith) James. He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Faye; their two children: Lisa Streit (Brian) and Karen Nail (Rick); Grandchildren: Brandon Streit (DJ), Ashley Streit, Kelsey Nail, Madi Nail, Ike Nail (Brooke); Great-grandchild: Brody Streit; Nieces and Nephews: Dana Campbell, Wendy Davis (Barry), Vicki James (Howard), Jeff James (Shannon), Gail Owens, Randy Owens (Becky); and a host of great nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents, Snow and Ida James, and his two sisters, Doris Jones and Betty Owens (Fred) and brother, Ray James (Peggy). You may have known him as Billy, Bill, PapaBill, PapaBull, Best Buddy, Poppa, Pop, Snowman, Iceman or Julio. Billy served the public at the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department for 34 years. He took over Jefferson County's newly formed drug unit in 1982. He retired at age 59 as the Captain of the drug unit. He had many accomplishments including

confiscating almost
\$800,000,000 worth of drugs and executing over 3,000 search warrants. His
officers loved and
respected him, and would still come by to see him often to sit for hours telling
police stories.

There will be a public graveside service at Friendship Community Church
Cemetery in Gardendale, Alabama

(7027 Church Road) on Tuesday, January 10, 2023 at 2:00 P.M. In lieu of
flowers, donations can
be made to Magic Moments @magicmoments.org.

Cemetery Details

Friendship Cemetery

Gardendale, AL

Previous Events

A graveside service

JAN 10. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Friendship Cemetery
Gardendale, AL

Tribute Wall

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“ Sorry to hear of your loss. May God give you the comfort that only He can give. Yours in Christ; Doyle and Cyndi Creel

Cyndi Creel - January 11, 2023 at 12:54 PM

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“ I am very sorry to hear of Billy passing. May God be with you Faye, Lisa, Karen and family at this time. I can remember seeing Billy the first time in October 1958, at his family's home in Morris. Then at your home in Morris, when Earl, me Barbara, George Earl, Shannon, Sharron, and Sheila Smith. came to your home and talked about all of our lives, with Earl in the U S Air Forces. My love go to you and the family at this time. My prayers to you'll. Love Barbara A Smith and Family..

Barbara Ann Smith - January 11, 2023 at 09:29 AM