



James Gay,

August 31, 1931 - April 4, 2012

of Mt. Olive passed away at home on April 4, 2012. He is survived by his wife, Carol, of 58 years, his children Lisa and Greg Day, Jan and Fred Mathis, and Jim Gay. His grandchildren Michele and Neal Brasher, Luke and Candace Day, Claire and Merrit Mathis, and Macey and Elly Gay and their mother Afsaneh Regimand. His two great grandchildren Lyla Michele Day and Calvin James Brasher, whom he adored. He is also survived by his "sisters" Wanda Bradley, Sherrell Jones, and Cecile Lindley and his "brother" Jeff Lamon, and his best friend and gardening buddy, Ray Densmore. He graduated from Columbia Military Academy and attended the University of Alabama. He was an Army veteran having served in the Korean Conflict. James retired from the Birmingham Police Department, working the last ten years as a homicide detective. He then worked and retired from the Alabama Criminal Court system. He was a member of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church where he served on the Parish Council, Usher Board, Knight's of Columbus, and as a RCIA Team member. A funeral Mass will be held at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church on Monday, April 9, 2012 at 11:00 A.M. with Reverend Michael Deering officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the funeral. A private burial will follow. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Building Fund at P.O. Box 1027 Gardendale, AL 35071