



William Martin

July 26, 1930 - July 28, 2009

MARTIN, WILLIAM HOWARD, age 79, of Smokerise, passed away Tuesday, July 28, 2009. His parents, Charles L. Martin and Thelma D. Martin, preceded him in death. He is survived by his devoted wife of 60 years, Anne Pullen Martin; his five children, Terry (Anne), Jim (Debbie), Cindy Nash (Bryan), Rick (Cynthia), Jeff (June); twelve grandchildren, four great-grandchildren; and his brother, Charles Ray Martin (Jackie). He will also be missed by numerous other friends and family members. Always to be cherished as a loving husband and father, Mr. Martin also served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War. He was a Master Plumber/Gasfitter by trade and was proud to have been a member of the Plumber and Steamfitter's Local Union 91 for over 50 years, achieving lifetime status. He was a deacon at Ensley Baptist Church. One of the highest points of his life was his work as leader of Explorer Scout Post 13. Each member of the post was held dearly in his heart. He was also known for his innovation and ability for building water skis, kites, and other endeavors. Funeral services will be held at Gardendale Funeral Home on Friday, July 31st at 11:00 in the chapel. Visitation will be on Thursday, July 30 from 6:00 - 8:00 PM.