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An admirable husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather, James Edward Blaylock, went home to join his heavenly family on Sunday, June 26, 2022 at the age of 83. He was preceded in death by his father Robert Blaylock, mother Agnes Blaylock-Collins, and siblings Ruby Lee Williamson, Nellie May Hawkins and G.B. Blaylock. Loved and terribly missed, James leaves behind his wife Janet Blaylock, daughter Kathleen Dilley, son-in-law Bryan Dilley, grandchildren Cole Dilley with wife Brandy Dilley, Rebekah Rodriguez with husband Carlos Rodriguez, Hunter Dilley and great grandchildren Illiana Rodriguez-Nellis and Emilia Rodriguez.

Being a die-hard Alabama Roll Tide fan, avid fisherman and daily walker, James grew up doing old-school farming in Guin, Alabama. In 1961, he followed his sister to Washington, D.C. where he met the love of his life and wife of 57 years, Janet. Never looking back, James steadfastly built a wonderful life in Maryland for his wife and only child, Kathleen. Working tirelessly for 50+ years, James was employed at 7-11, Safeway and many second jobs to make ends meet. After retirement, he continued to faithfully serve his church as a deacon, groundskeeper and food donation organizer. Dutifully serving well into his seventies, James was always offering a helping hand no matter the task since ministering to others was his life purpose.

James spent his final days loved and embraced by his adoring wife, daughter and grandchildren. To honor James' memory, we are holding a Celebration of Life on Friday, July 1, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. at Faith Baptist Church, 2212 Jefferson Pike, Knoxville, Maryland. For the family to enjoy, we ask attendees to bring a written card denoting a loving memory they shared with James.

To send flowers to the family, please visit our floral store.



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring James by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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