



Willie James Banks, Sr

January 3, 2017

Banks, Sr. Willie James Mr. Willie James Banks, Sr., age 80, of Gainesville, passed away, January 3, 2017 at the Malcolm Randall V.A. Medical Center. Mr. Banks was a member of Friendship Baptist Church. He served in the United States Army from 1956 until 1958; he retired from the Sheriff's Department in Utica, New York. He is survived by children; Willie J. Banks, Jr., Kathleen Wright, both of Utica, New York, Willie J. Banks, III(N"Shae), Simona Banks, Anita Banks, Tanya Banks, all of Gainesville, FL, Sharon Cook(David), Pompano Beach, FL, siblings; Jessie Gilyard, Adell Banks, Ruthie Davis, all of Orangeburg, SC, Carrie Banks, Hollywood, FL, eighteen grandchildren, and eleven great grandchildren. Funeral Services for Mr. Banks will be held 2:30pm, Saturday, January 14, 2017, in the Chestnut Memorial Chapel, Pastor Johnny Boswell, Officiating, burial will follow 11:30am Tuesday, January 17, 2017 in the Jacksonville National Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to Chestnut Funeral Home, Inc., 18 N.W. 8th Avenue, Gainesville, FL. Mr. Banks will repose in the Chestnut Memorial Chapel on Friday, January 13, 2017 from 2:00pm until 7:00pm, and on Saturday in the Chapel from 1:30pm until the hour of Service. Family and friends are asked to meet on Saturday at Chestnut Funeral Home, Inc. at 2:00pm. "A CHESTNUT SERVICE"