



Gerald Hayes

February 2, 1949 - August 1, 2013

Gerald W. Hayes, 64 of Noma, Florida passed away, Thursday, August 1, 2013 at Southeast Alabama Medical Center in Dothan, AL. Funeral service will be 2 p.m., Sunday, August 4, 2013 at Noma Assembly of God with Bros. Phil Baxley and Danny Venkler officiating. Burial will follow with military honors by the U.S. Air Force, James & Lipford Funeral Home in Graceville directing. Family will receive friends at the funeral home Saturday, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Flowers accepted or those wishing can make memorials to Covenant Hospice 4215 Kelson Ave., Suite E, Marianna, FL 32446. Gerald was born in Noma, FL on February 2, 1949 to the late Jay Harding Hayes and Rena Pearl Ramsey Hayes. A 1968 graduate of Poplar Springs High School, Gerald served as a SSGT with the U.S. Air Force from 1969-1979, a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a graduate of Belmont Technical College, worked many years with Utility Trailers in Enterprise, Alabama and he then retired from Wiley Sanders Trucking Company in Troy, AL. Gerald was a member of Noma Assembly of God Church and Bethlehem Masonic Lodge. Preceded in death by his parents, two sisters Virginia, Betty Faye and his best friend Ken Harris. Survived by one son Jay Richard "Ricky" Hayes(Ilsa), Grand Ridge, FL; one daughter Phyllis Lynne Russell(Kelley), Enterprise, AL; two brothers James Hayes(Mary Ann), Noma, FL, Phil Baxley(Christy), Bethlehem, FL; six grandchildren Tyler, Taylor, Jay Nathan, Chase, Parker, Caroline; mother of children Dianne Bell Hayes, several nieces and nephews.