



## Nelson Edward Smith

August 14, 1927 - June 10, 2016

Nelson Edward Smith, Jr. was born August 14, 1927 in Jefferson County, Alabama passed away peacefully on June 10, 2016. Nelson was a devoted husband to Iva Sue for 71 years; a loving father to children Bonnie (Orvil) Nunley, Dennis (Wanda) Smith, Myra (Larry) Berryhill, Barbara (Phillip) Barnes; and a wonderful grandfather to several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He is also survived by two sisters Jacki (Eddie) Martini and Marinell (Oran) Marcus; sister-in-law Jennie Smith Raymond; and several nieces and nephews and extended family and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents Nelson E. Smith, Sr. and Viola Smith McCracken; brother Jerry Smith; sister Betty Jean (Luther) Goolsby. Nelson was a member of First Baptist Church in Pleasant Grove and most recently Tannehill Valley Baptist Church. Nelson was a World War II Veteran of the US Coast Guard and was retired from the Tin Mill at US Steel.

Funeral services will be at Bessemer Brown Service Funeral Home on Tuesday, June 14, 2016 11:00 AM in the chapel. There will be a time of visitation from 10:00 to 11:00. Burial will follow at Highland Memorial Gardens. Pallbearers Greg Nunley, Michael Inman, Daryl Oden, Lane Smitherman, Charlie Lacey, and Todd Creel.

Special thanks to the great staff members at The Woodlands at Tannehill, Cherry Hill Nursing Home, and also New Beacon Hospice. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Tannehill Valley Baptist Church, the American Cancer Society, Alzheimer's Association, or a charity of your choice. Online

condolences may be sent to [Besemberbrownfh.com](http://Besemberbrownfh.com)

# Tribute Wall

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