



William D. "Big Willie" Collier

October 9, 1943 - October 9, 2012

Collier, William D., age 69, of McCalla, AL, passed away Tuesday, October 9, 2012. Mr. Collier was a member of Tannehill Valley Baptist Church. He retired from Tannehill State Park as a Ranger. "Big Willie" was an avid Alabama football fan. He is survived by his wife of 22 years, Nancy Jo Collier; his brothers, Charles (Marne) Collier of Hueytown and Ronnie (Norma) Collier of Bucksville; his sisters, Sandra Gail (Alton) McFarland of Jackson, Martha Kearley of Pleasant Grove and Merry (Paul) Savage of Odenville; several nieces, nephews and extended loving family and friends. Funeral services will be held at Bessemer Brown Service Funeral Home Friday, October 12, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. with burial in Bucksville Cemetery. Pastor Jon Reeves and Bro. Marty McDill will be officiating. The family will receive friends at the funeral from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Thursday, October 11, 2012. In lieu of flowers the family requests that donations be made to Tannehill Valley Baptist Church, 12858 Tannehill Parkway, McCalla, AL 35111.

Tribute Wall

MG

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with Nancy Jo and the family. Just some reflections on Willie's hands. They served him well throughout his life. He used his hands to reach out and embrace life. They braced his fall when as a toddler he fell down. They put food in his mouth and clothes on his back. They tied his shoes and pulled on his boots. Decorated with his wedding band they showed the world that he was married and loved someone special, Nancy Jo. His hands cared for many children, served his friends, and welcomed visitors at Tannehill Valley Baptist Church. His hands held his Bible and folded in prayer. It was these hands that God reached out and took when He led him home.

MB & Francis Garner - September 17, 2021 at 11:26 AM

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Lorene Grammer - October 11, 2012 at 04:25 PM

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