



## **JAMES E. ELLIS**

May 22, 2018

James E. Ellis, aged 88 years, died at Plantation Manor Nursing Home in McCalla on May 22, 2018. Mr. Ellis was born on September 22, 1929 and was a lifelong resident of the Birmingham area. After attendance at Wylam School and Ensley High School, Mr. Ellis enlisted in the U.S. Army and served from 1947-1951. After his honorable discharge from the military, Mr. Ellis was employed by the U.S. Postal Service from 1951 until his retirement in 1987. He was a member of Morgan United Methodist Church at the time of his death. Fishing was his favorite hobby, and he spent many happy hours on the water. Most of all, Mr. Ellis enjoyed talking to people from all walks of life. He was a teller of tall tales and many humorous true stories, and he loved to play his harmonica to entertain others. He is survived by his son, Dr. Steve Ellis (Suzanne) of McComb, MS and his daughter, Mary Anne Ellis, of Bessemer, AL; a sister in law, Betty Jo Finch of Madison, MS; brother in law Roy Wilson, Jr. (Hazel) of Hanceville, AL; several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents William and Bertie Mae Ellis; his wife, Annell Wilson Ellis; two older sisters, Lona Mildred Blackstone and Agnes Ruth "Billie" Skinner.

The visitation will be from 9:30 AM until 11:00 AM, Saturday, May 26, 2018, at Peoples Chapel Funeral Home. The funeral service will be at 11:00 AM, at the Funeral Home with Rev. Ryan Rosser officiating. In lieu of flowers, those who wish to honor the life of Mr. Ellis are encouraged to make a donation in his

memory to Morgan United Methodist Church.