



John Leonard Williams

April 3, 1932 - December 7, 2017

John Leonard Williams, 85, of Havana, went to be with his Lord and Savior, at Havana Health Care at 4:15 p.m. on Thursday, December 7, 2017. He was born April 3, 1932 in Iuka, Mississippi, to Robert I. and Minnie Elizabeth (Murphy) Williams. He married Norma Dutton Lofton on October 3, 1969 at the 1st Baptist Church in Havana.

Mr. Williams is survived by his wife, Norma, of Havana; two sons: Jonathan (Amy) Williams of St. Louis, MO, John Williams Jr. of Kentucky; one daughter: Krista (Jeff) Wilcoxon of Easton; son-in-law Scott Adams of Clinton, IL; six grandchildren: Laura, Jessica, Dustin, Daniel, Audrey and Karissa, as well as one great-grandson, Lailan. He was preceded in death by his parents; one daughter, Kendra Adams, six brothers: Ernest, Climit, Jim, Clarence, Lester and Oneal as well as one sister, Roberta.

Mr. Williams was a member of Grace Baptist Church in Havana. He served in the US Army Infantry from 1952-54. He was a Lifetime Member of VFW Post #6408 in Havana. He was a member of UA #137 in Springfield, Plumbers and Steamfitters Local. He was also a former member of the Chandlerville Lodge #724 AF&AM. He worked for the railroad for 15 years, before becoming a pipe fitter and boilermaker. He enjoyed working outdoors and fixing things around his home.

Graveside services will be held at Laurel Hill Cemetery in Havana at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, December 11, 2017. Rev. Matt Reeves will officiate. Military rites will be provided by VFW Post #6408 and American Legion Post #138.

Memorial contributions may be made to Grace Baptist Church. Online memorial messages may be left for the family at www.hurleyfh.com.

Hurley Funeral Home in Havana is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ *John Leonard Williams*

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *Lisa Jill Ulrich Thompson lit a candle in memory of John Leonard Williams*



Lisa Jill Ulrich Thompson - December 10, 2017 at 04:14 PM



“ *Norma and family, John always has the sweetest smile and a loving place in his heart for us. It was always nice seeing you set in the pew behind us at church. Love, Kenny and Sandy Crater*

sandy crater - December 09, 2017 at 04:12 PM