



## Merlyn E. Collins

March 1, 2012

Augusta, GA - Merlyn E. Collins, 82, husband of Lois Collins, entered into rest Wednesday, February 29, 2012, at Eisenhower Medical Center.

Memorial services will be held Friday, March 2, at 1:00 PM from the chapel of Chance & Hydrick Funeral Directors with Reverend John Kilpatrick officiating. Mr. Collins, son of the late Eugene and Ruth Elizabeth Walters Collins, was a native of Footville, Wisconsin. He served in the United States Army for twenty-three years, serving in both the Korean Conflict and the Vietnam War. He retired from Lamar Outdoor Advertising. He was an avid hunter and fisherman and was a member of the Spring Branch Hunting Club.

He was preceded in death by his son, Robert Collins, his stepson, Michael John Rye, his brother, Bernard Collins, and his sister, Barbara Collins.

In addition to his wife he is survived by his sons Scott E. Collins and his wife, Betty, of Hephzibah, and Jody Collins, of Waynesboro; his daughters Judy R. Crumpler, of Appling, and Christine Stewart and her husband, Claudie, of Hephzibah; his brother, Richard Collins, of Milton, WI; his sisters, Kathleen Schbring, of Janesville, WI, Juanita Miller, of Broadhead, WI, Mary Ellen Eggers, of Janesville, WI, Elaine Schultz, of Whitewater, WI, Patricia Daly, of Pecatonica, IL, and Bernice Rohel, of Janesville, WI; four grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

The family will receive friends Friday, following the service, at the funeral home.

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