



James L. Rutledge

March 27, 1927 - February 14, 2022

James L. Rutledge “Don”, age 94 of Tullahoma passed this life Monday, February 14, 2022 at Signature Healthcare in Erin, TN. He was born March 27, 1927 in Lincoln County, TN to the late William C. and Ella Katherine (Mitchell) Rutledge. Don is also preceded in death by his sisters, Frances Howard, Dorothy Olenchek, and Mary Elizabeth Warren; brothers, Wallace Sanford, William Dewey, J.D., Lilbern, Billy Jack, and David Floyd Rutledge. The family will receive friends from 5-8 p.m. Monday, February 21st at Lynchburg Funeral Home. Funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, February 22nd in the chapel of Lynchburg Funeral Home with Reverend David England officiating. Interment will follow at Lynchburg Cemetery. Pallbearers serving will be Dr. Donihue Waters, William Waters, Jae Waters, Noah Waters, Beau Campbell, Parker Campbell and Brycen Campbell.

Don enjoyed flying airplanes, has owned several airplanes and has also had a registered runway for 30 years. He was the owner and operator of Don’s Body shop in Tullahoma for several years and was of the Baptist faith.

Don is survived by his wife of 73 years, Rosie Bell Rutledge; daughters, Jacqueline Waters (Dr. James) and Diane Smith (Curtis); grandchildren, Dr. Donihue Waters (Angie), Jae Edward (Tamara), Wendy Campbell (Beau), Ashleigh Beyer (Chad), Alyssa Craft (Steven) and Andrea Brian (Neil); great-grandchildren, Victoria Waters, William Waters, Jessica Anderson Taylor (Ryan), Megan Anderson Yarbrough (Chris), Jaelin Waters, Noah Waters, Parker Campbell, Brycen Campbell, Alexis Beyer Snipes (Cameron), Julianne

Craft, Addison Brian, Mary Kate Brian, and Alexandra Brian; great great-grandchildren, Drexel Taylor, Golden Taylor, Cy Yarbrough and Sandlin Yarbrough; brothers, Walter Fred Rutledge and Paul Wayne Rutledge (Delores); and a host of nieces and nephews.

Visit our online guestbook at www.lynchburgfuneralhome.com

Lynchburg Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Lynchburg Cemetery

Lynchburg, TN

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 21. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Lynchburg Funeral Home
1630 Fayetteville Hwy
Lynchburg, TN 37352
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Funeral Service

FEB 22. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *James L. Rutledge*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of James L. Rutledge.*



February 20, 2022 at 08:18 PM



“ *Your St. Clair Senior Center family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of James L. Rutledge.*



Your St. Clair Senior Center family - February 18, 2022 at 11:59 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James L. Rutledge.*



February 16, 2022 at 09:56 AM

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“ I was so sorry to here of your passing Uncle Don. It has been so many years since last we saw you but I have such fond memories of our time spent. How you scared mon so when taking us in your plane, she still talks about that. Rest easy. Lots of ❤️ love. ~Teri, your west coast niece.

Teri Rutledge - February 15, 2022 at 11:07 PM