

Cox Funeral Home-Manchester

James Curfman Beavers, Sr.

(February 18, 1928 - June 29, 2016)

James C. Beavers, Sr., 88, of Manchester, died Wednesday, June 29, 2016 at the Warm Springs Nursing Home. Funeral services will be 2:00 pm, Sunday, July 3, 2016 at the Manchester First United Methodist Church with Rev. Dan Dixon



officiating. Interment will follow in the Manchester City Cemetery with Patrick Beavers, Jim English, Scotty Allen, Steve Cambre, Michael Bass and Al Olivent serving as pallbearers. Visitation will be from 5:00 until 7:00 pm, Saturday at the funeral home.

Mr. Beavers was born February 18, 1928, in Manchester, the son of Paul Jerome Beavers and Erma Louise Guy Beavers. He moved with his family at an early age to Tallassee, AL where he was a star athlete at Tallassee High School. He was a two time All State Halfback whose team at that time set a national record with 55 consecutive wins. As an All Star pitcher, Mr. Beavers was drafted by the St. Louis Cardinals organization and played for ten different minor league teams in Georgia, Alabama, Texas, Minnesota and North Carolina. He also played football at Troy State on an athletic scholarship. He married his wife, Mary Helms on February 5, 1950 who he met at Troy. Mr. Beavers returned to Manchester and became the first full time Recreation Director. He later owned and operated Guy's Cleaners and Jim's Farm and Garden. He served on the local boards of Bank of Manchester, CB&T, Bank of Upson and Meriwether Bank and Trust. He also served as Commission Chairman for the City of Manchester and as head of the Manchester Housing Authority. He was a 50 year member of Stephens Masonic Lodge #586 and a member of Manchester First United Methodist Church for more than 50 years. An avid fisherman, he fished 30 years on the tournament circuit winning the Die Hard Challenge at Lake Harding in 1999. Mr. Beavers was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Paul Guy Beavers.

Survivors include his wife, Mary H. Beavers of Manchester; his children, Cindy Hardy of Tampa, FL, James C. (Ramona) Beavers, Jr. of

Manchester, Beverly (Mark) Bicker of Newnan, Harry (Pat) Beavers of Midland; 11 grandchildren, Heather (Jim) English, Leigh Ann (Michael) Bass, Cori (Steve) Cambre, Cailin (Scotty) Allen, Charles (Erika) Meadows, Trey (Amber) Meadows, Meredith Bowen, Abby Bowen, Patrick Beavers, Madison Beavers, Brett Beavers and 9 great grandchildren.

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