



Dean Friend

October 27, 1932 - March 26, 2015

Resided in Royal, AR

Obituary

Dean Friend, age 82, of Royal, died Thursday, March 26, 2015.

He was born on October 27, 1932 in Hot Springs, the son of Fred and Carmel Friend. On October 24, 2004, he was married to Carolyn Lanette Martin. He was preceded in death by his wives, Doris Parnell and Deborah Molsby; and his parents.

Dean was a professional musician since the age of three and he was a semi-pro baseball player for the Chicago White Sox. He served eight years in the U.S. Navy and six years in the U.S. Air Force Reserve. Dean retired from the Arkansas State Police and worked as a bus driver at Lake Hamilton School. He was a member of Social Hill Missionary Baptist Church, the Walnut Hill Masonic Lodge, the Mazarn Deer Club and the Arkansas State Police Retiree Association.

He is survived by his wife, Carol Martin of Royal; two daughters, Sharon Mulder and her significant other, Garrett Nicholas and Cindy Farmer; two step-sons, Ray Summit and Lee Summit; four grandchildren, Rick Ilenfeld, Gregory Maynard, Casey Maynard and Kati Condry; one step-granddaughter, Courtney Summit; three great-grandchildren, Gage Hollowell, Allie Ilenfeld and Avery Ilenfeld; the mother of his children, Jane Friend; numerous extended family members and special friends.

A celebration of his life will be announced at a later date by Davis-Smith Funeral Home, Hot Springs.

Guest registry is at www.davis-smith.com.

Services

Funeral Home

Davis-Smith Funeral Home-Hot Springs

2205 Airport Road
Hot Springs, AR US 71913



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