



William E. Ragland

March 21, 1932 - November 9, 2007

William E. Ragland, 75, Indianapolis, passed away Friday, November 9, 2007. He was born March 12, 1932 in Lafayette, Tennessee to the late Cecil and Fleeta (Krantz) Ragland. William served in the U.S. Army and married Geneva (Garrett) Ragland, who preceded him in death. He worked for American Can Company for 28 years and then Earthgrains for 17 years, retiring in 1997. He was a member of True Word Baptist Church. Visitation will be held Friday, November 16 from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel, 9606 E. Washington St., with funeral services Saturday at 10:00 a.m. William is survived by his stepchildren, Tina Chambers and Jeff Wright; sisters, Anna Mae Haddock, Gloria Duran, Irene Leach, Zelma Lee Wheeler; brother, Jerry Ragland; friends and caregivers, Debbie and Darrell VanMeter, Kim Beckham; and five grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his brothers, Henry and Charles Ragland; sisters, Minnie Olean Butler and Mary Frances Ragland. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association, 6415 Castleway West Dr., Suite 114, Indianapolis, IN 46250.