



John "Bill" William Shields, Jr

February 12, 1934 - April 5, 2013

John "Bill" William Shields Jr., 79, of Rock Spring, Georgia passed away Friday April 5, 2013. A lifelong resident of the Rock Spring area, he was a member of the TVA Union Local 917, where he worked as an Operating Engineer for 34 years. He is preceded in death by his wife, Geraldine Carter Shields; parents, John W. Shields Sr. and Obera Smith Shields and brother, David Shields. He is survived by two sons, William Brent (Cynthia) Shields of LaFayette, GA., and Brad Carter (Liz) Shields of Rome, GA., daughter-in-law, Tammie Shields of LaFayette, GA., four sisters, Elsie (Burton) Gaston of Rossville, GA., Sallie (Lamar) McWhortor of Rome, GA., Joyce (Lloyd) Wright of New Market, TN., and Diann Shields Bell of Ringgold, GA., two brothers, Lebron "Cooter" (Darlene) Shields of Vero Beach, FL., and Don (Amelia) Shields of Ringgold, GA.; eight grandchildren, Cody Shields, Lauren Shields, Ashleigh Shields, Isabel Shields, Abigail Shields, Gabriel Shields, Joell Shields and Danielle Shields, several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held 4:00 P.M. Sunday April 7, 2013 in the funeral home chapel with Pastor Tim Dennison and Elder Don Shields officiating. Interment will follow at LaFayette Memory Gardens. The family will receive friends Sunday from 2-4 P.M. at the funeral home. Arrangements are by Wilson Funeral Home LaFayette Chapel LaFayette, Georgia.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Some of my fondest memories in life were of dancing and laughing with the Smith-Shields cousins/aunts/uncles at family reunions, with the music of Little Bill, Don, and Diann's band in the background. I will always cherish those times. We have such a talented family, filled with love and laughter.*

"Your music and laughter played beautifully in life here below. Now you're singing so softly with with the angels and loved ones in Heaven we know.

Free from the chains of sickness and pain, you now have newness of life and eternity to gain. Your smile will never fade. Your spirit never again dismayed.

Though it's hard to let you go into the arms of the Heavenly Father we know, we rest in our faith that this is not goodbye, but rather an "until we meet again, our brother, our dear friend."

May the Holy Spirit comfort and bring peace to each soul who knew and loved Little Bill. He is gone from our presence, but never gone from our hearts.

Holly J. Logan-Arrington - Warner Robins, GA - Cousin - April 08, 2013 at 12:00 AM