



Martis Lee "Barney" Blanton

June 19, 1920 - December 30, 2018

Barney Blanton of Sandusky, Alabama passed away on Sunday, December 30, 2018 at the age of 98. He was a WWII Veteran and served in the US Army from 1942-1945. He retired from South Central Bell in 1982 and was also a member of the Masons Metro West Lodge since 1958. He was a kind and loving husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather and friend to everyone and will be greatly missed. He is preceded in death by his parents Strother Owen and Minnie Lee Blanton, sister Vireece Studyvin and brother Owen Blanton. He is survived by his wife of 72 years, Louise Nichols Blanton; daughter Bonnie Blanton McGriff (Don); son Gary Wayne Blanton (Linda); grandson Daniel Lee McGriff (Amanda); granddaughters, Alison McGriff Thompson (Alex), Heather Blanton Atkins (Jeff), Kristy Blanton Johnson (Brian) and eight great grandchildren. He was a life long member of the First Baptist Church of Sandusky. The family will receive friends on Friday, January 4, 2019 at the First Baptist Church Sandusky 1125 Haven Drive Birmingham, AL 35214 beginning at 10:00 am with service at 11:00 am. Burial will be at 2:00 pm at the Alabama National Cemetery 3133 Highway 119, Montevallo, AL. In lieu of flowers a donation can be made in his memory to the First Baptist Church Sandusky 1125 Haven Drive Birmingham, AL 35214.

Cemetery Details

Alabama National Cemetery

3133 Highway 119
Montevallo, AL 35115

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 4. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Sandusky First Baptist Church
1125 Haven Dr
Birmingham, AL 35214

Service

JAN 4. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Graveside Service

JAN 4. 2:00 PM (CT)

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3133 Highway 119
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Tribute Wall

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“ *Barney was a wonderful boss. I worked for him at South Central Bell in Ensley in the early 1970s. He was such a delight and had a great sense of humor. He made coming to work fun and very rewarding. What a beautiful person! My sincere sympathies to Louise, Bonnie, Gary and all the Blanton family. Bernadette (Schober) Diamond*



Bernadette Diamond - January 02, 2019 at 09:27 PM

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“ *Mr Blanton was a very kind man and a good friend to my family. My love and prayers go out to Bonnie and her family.*

Brenda Baker - January 02, 2019 at 08:57 PM

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Worked for Barney at Bessemer from 1970 to 1976. He sold my husband and myself on Gatlinburg we went for first time in 1971 loved so much we bought timeshare. Remember he loved chocolate cake with butterbeans. Love to Louise too worked with her at Ensley.

Elaine Vines - January 04, 2019 at 07:29 PM