



Edward Clayton Crain

May 3, 1931 - December 1, 2014

Edward Clayton Crain, 83, of Heidelberg, Mississippi, died Monday, December 1, 2014, after a long battle with cancer. Mr. Crain is a military veteran and served as a United States Air Force Airman in the Korean War. He also completed an additional 37 years of military service in the United States Army and the Mississippi Army National Guard. Mr. Crain retired with the rank of Chief Warrant Officer 4. During his military career, he was recognized as performing at the highest level of competency, loyalty, and dependability. Mr. Crain was born in Angie, Louisiana and grew-up in Franklinton, Louisiana, where he attended Franklinton High School. He later went on to attend Louisiana State University and graduated from Liberty University. Mr. Crain was actively involved in several social and military organizations including The American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Non-Commissioned Officers Association, The Retired Officers Association, The National Guard Association, Rotary International, and The Sons of Confederate Veterans. He also served on the Jasper County Economic Development District. Mr. Crain was an active member of Heidelberg Presbyterian Church. Mr. Crain was preceded in death by his wife, Lucille Bonner Crain; his step-son, Gayle Nicholson of Jackson, Mississippi; and his parents, Vera Ard Crain and Marvin Curby Crain of Franklinton, Louisiana. He is survived by his daughter, Jennifer Aitken, of Corpus Christi, Texas; his daughter-in-law, Anne Nicholson of Jackson, Mississippi; his grandson, Brian Nicholson of Knoxville, Tennessee and his wife, Tara; his grandsons, Avery Aitken and Alexander Aitken, of

Corpus Christi, Texas; and his great-grandchildren, Lily and Noah Nicholson of Knoxville, Tennessee. Services for Mr. Crain will be held Friday, December 5, 2014, at Heidelberg Presbyterian Church, 112 S Pine Street in Heidelberg, Mississippi. Visitation will begin at 9:30 a.m. and funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Burial will take place in The Heidelberg Cemetery. Pastor Hugh Acton will officiate. Pallbearers for the service are Tommy Bonner of Townsend, Tennessee; Earl Faggert of Heidelberg, Mississippi; Dr. Charles Hollingshead of Laurel, Mississippi; David Mimms of Laurel, Mississippi; Wayne Parker of Heidelberg, Mississippi; and Scott Luker of Corpus Christi, Texas. Memory Chapel is in charge of the arrangements. To view and sign the family guest book, visit www.memorychapellaurel.com.