



## Carl (Buddy) Walter Turner

December 15, 1928 - April 15, 2017

Carl Walter (Buddy) Turner, 88, born in Atco, GA, December 15, 1928, died early Saturday, April 15, 2017, Kingston, TN. Carl attended school in Guntersville, AL through the 11th grade, and graduated at Ashley High School in Gastonia, NC. He later attended and graduated from Gaston College, Dallas NC, in 1971 and attended UNC-Charlotte for one year. Carl proudly served in the US Air Force from 1948 to 1969, at stations around the world, including Japan during the Korean Conflict and the Philippines during the Vietnam War, retiring as a Senior Master Sergeant. His work history included Firestone Textile Corp. during high school, and Union Carbide /Martin Marietta at K-25 and Y-12 from 1972-1994 following his military service.

Carl is survived by his wife of 65 years, Gloria Faye Fussell Turner, Kingston, TN; children, Jenny Lynn Turner Pfeiler, Chattanooga TN; and Joseph Carl Turner (wife, Kathy), Fayetteville, GA, his grandchildren: Wayne Pfeiler (wife Missy), Lindsey Turner Hawes (husband Greg), Lara Pfeiler, Ryan Turner (wife Amy), Bethany Turner Stromberg (husband Jasen), Katelyn Turner Anderson (husband Jordan) and 15 great grand children, his brothers, Jerry Turner (wife Gretchel) of Dale City, VA, and Charles Turner (wife Angela) of Ten Mile, TN.

Carl was predeceased by parents, William Riley Turner Sr. and Sara Thelma Whitesides Turner, brother William R. Turner, Jr, and sister Dolores Jean

(Slim) Turner Fritton, all of Gastonia, NC.

Carl will be remembered for his affection for the Lady Vols, his greeting for every baby he chanced to see, cutting his own firewood from standing trees, always finding four leaf clovers, and insisting on picking up every dinner check. Famous for his one-liners and puns and for his uncanny talent for finding lost things, Carl's hobbies included solving word puzzles, studying maps, and repairing all kinds of machines. He enjoyed feeding hummingbirds and swore that they gave him a buzz greeting each year and a goodbye dance before migrating away. He and Faye enjoyed square dancing beginning during their service in the Philippines at Clark AB in 1967, and continuing with The Three Rivers Ramblers in Harriman during the late 80's and 90's.

Family and friends will gather to say good bye at the service on Saturday, April 22, at 1pm led by Elder Joseph Turner, son. The family will receive friends from 12 Noon until 1pm at the Kyker Funeral Home, 350 W Race St, Kingston, TN 37763.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **22**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Kyker Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Carl (Buddy) Walter Turner*



Kyker Funeral Home - April 21, 2017 at 03:51 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Carl (Buddy) Walter Turner.*



April 21, 2017 at 04:24 PM



“ *38 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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“ *Heart's Companion Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carl (Buddy) Walter Turner.*



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