



Houk Briggs

August 6, 2008

Houk 'Nelson' Briggs age 83 of 312 S. Mary Ella Ave, Callaway, passed away Wednesday August 6, 2008 at Gulf Coast Medical Center. Nelson was born November 14, 1924 in South Harriman, Tn, son of the late Lee Houk and Mary Feathers Briggs. Nelson retired as a United States Customs Agent in Panama City. During his long career in law enforcement he also worked for Union Carbide in Oak Ridge, Tn. and Dulles International Airport in Chantilly, VI. He served in the United States Army and was a member of St Andrews Baptist Church. Nelson was an avid golfer, and enjoyed reading and traveling. His family remembers him as strong willed, soft spoken, and a wonderful husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Martha Turpin Briggs of Panama City, one daughter, Karen Briggs and husband Jeff Lane of Corryton, Tn. six grandchildren, Shane Weaver and wife Stephanie of Corryton, Tn, Amanda Hensley and husband Sam of Knoxville, Tn, Suzanne Inman and husband Jeff of Halls, Tn, Logan Weaver and wife Sarah of Knoxville, Tn, Zachary Lane of Corryton, Tn and Anthony Derek Lane of Corryton, Tn, five great grandchildren, Kaison, Malea, Mason, Ella and Delaney. He is also survived by several nieces and nephews. Nelson was preceded in death by his parents and one brother James Briggs.

A funeral service will be held Saturday August 9, 2008 at 2 PM in the chapel of Kent Forest Lawn Funeral Home with Rev. Jeremy Colloms officiating. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service from 1 to 2 PM at the

funeral home. A second service will be held at 2PM Monday August 11, 2008 at Kyker Funeral Home in Harriman. The family will receive friends from 1 to 2 PM at the funeral home. Burial will follow at Roane Memorial Gardens in Rockwood with Rev. Ken Isham presiding. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to your favorite charity or religious organization.