



## Frank Wilson

February 1, 1933 - May 14, 2015

Richard Franklin “Frank” Wilson, age 82 of Hoover, AL passed into God’s hands Thursday May 14, 2015 at his home.

He was a dedicated and loving husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and friend. He was born to Roy Clifton Wilson and Grace (Harwood) Wilson on February 1, 1933 in Dayton, TN.

He grew up in Rhea County and graduated from Rhea County High School where he was a member of the basketball and football teams. After graduating, he joined the Air Force where he served as Staff Sergeant during the Korean War. Upon returning from duty he went to work for Rhea Investment Company and worked several years in the finance business before retiring from Associates Financial Services. He was member of Dayton Lodge #512, F. & A.M. He loved spending time with family and friends, fishing, traveling and spending time with his wife at their favorite place in the Tennessee Mountains. He will be remembered, loved and missed by all who knew him.

He is survived by five children, Rick (Debbie) Wilson of Spring City, TN, Melanie (Conrad) Parker of Hoover, AL, Greg (Kristy) Wilson of Duluth, GA, Jennifer (Jimmy) Whatley of Hoover, AL and Dawn (Jim) Rowell of Hoover, AL, ten grandchildren Shannon (Brad) Hamilton, Cole Wilson, Carlie Wilson, Dusty (Heather) Falls, Kara (Brad) Brackett, Madison Wilson, Kelsey Wilson, Jamie Rowell, Will Rowell and Matthew Whatley and six great-grandchildren Reese Hamilton, Ramsey Hamilton, Gracie Falls, Easton Falls, Mason

Brackett and Caleb Jones, one sister Betty (Wilson) Carothers, one half-sister Ellen (Corky) Treadway and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death in April 2015 by his loving wife of 59 years, Betty Jean (Travis) Wilson, his parents and brother-in-law Jack Carothers.

Please share your memories of Frank on his on-line guest register at [www.vanderwallfh.com](http://www.vanderwallfh.com).

Funeral services for Frank will be held Tuesday, May 19, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. at The Family Church of God in Dayton. The family will receive friends Tuesday from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. He will be laid to rest in Rhea Memory Gardens with military honors.

Pallbearers will be Dusty Falls, Matthew Whatley, Will Rowell, Cole Wilson, Brad Brackett and Brad Hamilton.

The family is being cared for by the Vanderwall Funeral Home in Dayton.

# Cemetery Details

## Rhea Memory Gardens

Highway 27 Bypass P.O. Box 148  
Dayton, TN 37321  
(423) 775-2662

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 19. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

South Dayton Church of God  
Dayton, TN

## Service

MAY 19. 3:00 PM (ET)

South Dayton Church of God  
Dayton, TN

# Tribute Wall

JH

“ I was just thinking about my Uncle Frank and how much he meant to me. I miss him so much and I have wonderful memories. I love my sweet cousins, Rick, Melanie, Greg, Jennifer and Dawn and their families. I wish you all a peaceful Christmas. Uncle Frank is with our "Reason for the Season!"  
Jan

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**Jan Horne** - December 11, 2015 at 08:35 AM

PT

“ I had the pleasure of working with Frank with AFS in the late 1970's, until I went into banking in coastal Alabama in 1986. RIP Frank and Bette.

*Peter and Mary Thompson, Fairhope AL*

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**peter thompson** - May 26, 2015 at 03:56 PM

JH

“ I thank God for placing my Uncle Frank in my life. Wonderful memories will forever live in my heart❤️  
Love, Jan

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**Jan Carothers Horne** - May 18, 2015 at 10:27 PM

JH

“ Jan Carothers Horne lit a candle in memory of Frank Wilson



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**Jan Carothers Horne** - May 18, 2015 at 10:20 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Frank Wilson.*



May 18, 2015 at 02:05 PM



“ *Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Frank Wilson.*



May 18, 2015 at 12:12 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Frank Wilson.*



May 18, 2015 at 11:09 AM



“ *There s so many memories that we could share about Frank/Betty as we were friends/ neighbors @ our beloved park in TN, but most of all I remember him as loving, caring & a fighter for our cause @ the park many years ago. But he is with his beloved Betty & in Jesus arms - no more pain, just joy & happiness. To all his family: God s blessings to all of you as you say goodbye from this earth.....then hello when we all meet again. Sending our love.....Tom & Frances Barwick*

**Frances Barwick** - May 18, 2015 at 09:58 AM

EA

“ *Everyone at EL Thompson Associates purchased the Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet for the family of Frank Wilson.*



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**Everyone at EL Thompson Associates** - May 18, 2015 at 09:40 AM



“ *Sacred Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Frank Wilson.*



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May 17, 2015 at 03:39 PM

MH

“ *Marilyn Harwood lit a candle in memory of Frank Wilson*



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**marilyn harwood** - May 16, 2015 at 02:09 PM

 Julie Junge

“ *Julie Junge lit a candle in memory of Frank Wilson*



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**Julie Junge** - May 16, 2015 at 11:06 AM

JG

“ *My grandfather had the funniest sense of humor. I'm thankful for those last weeks I spent so much time with him. Going to Costco and helping him pick out some outfits and ending our shopping with chocolate and vanilla swirl ice cream. These last memories will be with me forever. Grandfather, you are missed so much, but you will always be in my heart. I love you.*

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**Jamie Rowell - Granddaughter** - May 16, 2015 at 10:37 AM