Talley Earnest Taylor

December 2, 1923 - December 11, 2018

Talley Earnest Taylor passed away on December 11, 2018 at the age of 95. He was born in Lanier County, Georgia on December 2, 1923, the fifth of nine children. His siblings were Perry, Clarence, Amy, Remu, Ruby, Leon, Evelyn and Carlton. He grew up in south Georgia where his family worked as tenant farmers outside of Nashville, Georgia. For a few years, the family lived near Americus, Georgia where they worked on a farm owned by President Jimmy Carter's father.

Talley served in the US Army for eight years and was honorably discharged with the rank of Staff Sargeant. He fought in the Rhineland and Central European campaigns in WWII and in the Korean conflict. He received the WWII Victory Medal; American Theater Service Medal; EAME Service Medal with 2 bronze service stars; Good Conduct Medal; and the Purple Heart for his service in WWII. He also received the Korean Service Medal with one bronze star; United Nations Service Medal; the National Defense Service Medal and another Good Conduct Medal for his service in Korea.

Talley married Agnes Rice in 1946 after being discharged from the Army after WWII. They had four children together, Monty, Ernie, Irvin and LaFaye. He married Mary Ann Coffey in 1975. They had no children. For the past fifty years Talley has lived in the Leesburg area and worked at a variety of jobs. He leaves behind his wife of 43 years, Mary Ann, his son Ernest Keith Taylor, his

daughter Elizabeth, LaFaye Davis (Stuart), four grandchildren; Georgia Clements; Janna Luke; William Harvey Hughes IV; and DeeDee Chmielewski; and seven great grandchildren. Talley was preceeded in death by his first wife, Agnes Rice Taylor, his sons, Monty (infant) and Irvin Eugene Taylor. All of Talley's siblings preceeded him in death also.

Visitation will be Monday, December 17th from 4:00 to 6:00 pm at Beyers Funeral Home, Leesburg, Fl. Funeral services will be Tuesday, December 18th at 9:30am at the funeral home with interment at the Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell FL. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Disabled American Veterans Organization or DAV.org.

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My sincere condolences go out to the family of Talley Taylor. I pray the family finds comfort in the Bible and the thought that Jehovah God is close to the brokenhearted; he saves those who are discouraged.-Ps. 34:18.

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