



Ernest (Ernie) Blessard

July 24, 1953 - September 19, 2011

Ernest William (Ernie) Blessard, 58, of 1009 11th Street, Altavista died Monday, September 19, 2011 at Lynchburg General Hospital. He was born July 24, 1953 in Altavista, a son of the late Leo Ernest Blessard and Nadine Moon Blessard. He was a member of First Baptist Church where he was active as a deacon, usher and Sunday School teacher, a retired Code Enforcement Officer with Campbell County, former Little League Coach, and an avid sports fan, especially enjoying football and wrestling. Ernie served in the U. S. Army with the 82nd Airborne Division. He is survived by one son, William Heath Blessard of Altavista; one sister, Linda Gail Blessard of Altavista; and one grandson, Braxton Heath Blessard. A funeral service will be conducted at 11:00 a.m., Thursday, September 22, 2011 at First Baptist Church by Dr. Michael Lee with interment to follow in Altavista Memorial Park with military rites by the Virginia Army National Guard Honor Guard. The family will receive friends from 7-8:30 p.m., Wednesday at Finch & Finch Funeral and Cremation Service, Altavista and other times at the residence of his sister, Linda Blessard, 1198 Wards Road, Altavista. The family suggests that those wishing to make memorials consider the Kazim Shriners Transportation Fund, 628 West Campbell Ave., Roanoke, VA 24016.

Previous Events

Services

SEP **22**. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church
1001 Bedford Ave.
Altavista, VA 24517