



Miller Leon "Cosmo" Wilkins

October 14, 2012

M. Leon Wilkins, age 79, passed from his earthly journey into a more perfect world on Oct. 14, 2012 at Sts. Mary and Elizabeth Hospital. He was a professed Christian Believer by faith. Leon was born January 20, 1933 to the late Edna and Sanford Wilkins. He was predeceased by his only child, Michelle Rene' Wilkins, and his younger brother, Bertrand Wilkins (Virginia), both of whom he so missed for many years. "Cosmo" as he was affectionately known by many, was an avid fan of U of K sports, NASCAR, a fisherman, and was a great collector of historical and interesting artifacts of all kinds. He was a proud Air Force veteran of the Korean War era, an NRA member, and a Masonic Lodge member of Valley Lodge over 50 years. He was employed most of his adult life at Schmutz Mfg., and was a highly skilled trades craftsman. Leon is survived by his wife and sweetheart of 59 years, Mildred Ward Wilkins, both of whom graduated from Valley High in 1952, his brother, Richard (Betty) Wilkins, 1 nephew, 5 nieces, brothers-in-law Darrell (Paula) Ward, Ray Ward, and James Brown, and a host of many little 2nd and 3rd generation nephews and nieces. And lots of friends. Visitation for Leon will be 1-8 p.m. Tuesday at Owen Funeral Home and Masonic Service at 7:30 p.m. at 5317 Dixie Hwy. His services will be Wednesday 1 P.M. with visitation from 9 a.m. until Service. Minister Garnet Tucker officiating. Burial will be at Louisville Memorial Gardens West.