



Bill E. Reed Obituary

May 15, 1921 - June 5, 2007

Bill E. Reed, 86, of Albany died Tuesday at Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital. His funeral service will be 11 AM, Thursday (today) at First Baptist Church of Albany. Dr. William E. "Butch" Knight will officiate and his interment will follow in Floral Memory Gardens with full military honors. He retired in 1981, a Lieutenant Colonel, in the United States Army. A native of Itta Bena MS, Mr. Reed attended First Baptist of Albany and was a member of the Albany Golden K Kiwanis Club. He was a member of the Retired Military Officers Association and was a past president of The American Chamber of Commerce Far East. Mr. Reed was a member of the 506th Regiment of the 101st Airborne Division popularized by the acclaimed book and television series "Band of Brothers". His unit dropped into Normandy, France during Operation Overlord, better known as D-Day in June 1944. He participated in Operation Market Garden, The Battle of the Bulge (Bastogne), and captured Hitler's vacation retreat at Berchtesgaden. As part of America's Greatest Generation, he was proud of the service he gave for his country. After leaving active duty service Mr. Reed spent 37 years in the orient working with Civil Air Transport, Air America and Continental Airlines handling government air contracts during the Viet Nam War. He traveled the world many times and always had a bag packed, ready for the next adventure. Survivors include: his wife of 58 years, Mildred Walker Reed of Albany; 2 sons: David Reed and his wife Pam of Longwood, FL, and Steven Reed and his wife Lynn of San Diego, CA; 8 grandchildren: Brittany Reed, Julie Kehoe, Brian Reed, Allison Reed,

Sarah Reed, Jessica Macaulay, Casey Macaulay, and James Marcus Macaulay; 4 great-grandchildren: Madelyn, Hannah, Morgan and Kate Kehoe; a brother John Ernest Reed Jr. of Atlanta; 3 sisters: Kathlynnne Reed Thornton, and Hildreth Reed Matthews , both of TN, and Mildred Reed Handley of MS. Those desiring please make memorial contributions to the charity of their choice.

Tribute Wall



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“ *David,*
Very sorry to hear of the loss of your dad. Hope everything else is going well with you and yours.

Randy

Randy Merchant - June 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ Steve and family, I am so sorry for your loss. I will keep you all in my thoughts and prayers.

Classmate, Westover Class of '77

Rita Brown Cline - June 10, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ Mildred, I am so sorry to hear about Bill, I will keep you in my prayers,
Love June

June Johnston - June 08, 2007 at 12:00 AM

EH

“ i am so sorry to her about your loss. our thoughts and prayers are
with you all. bill and i attend golden K together. god bless

Ed Haggerty - June 07, 2007 at 12:00 AM