



## Joseph "Joe" Harlen Deal

October 2, 1943 - June 28, 2018

Joseph "Joe" Harlen Deal, age 74, of Taylorsville, passed away at Valley Nursing, on June 28, 2018. Joe was born October 2, 1943, in Alexander County to Robert Partee Deal, Sr. and Ona Estelle Kerley Deal.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by one sister, Clara Jean Deal Austin, one brother Michael Keith Deal, and two granddaughters Lydia Grace, and Hannah Renae.

Joe was a member of Pleasant Hill Baptist Church. Although stricken at a young age with polio, Joe was not deterred by his disability and was very active in the Sugarloaf Volunteer Fire Department, being a charter member and founder in 1974. Joe was a fireman, driver, pump operator and had served in numerous capacities, Lieutenant, Captain, and Assistant Chief. He was employed by Deal Motor Company as a mechanic and also was a loom mechanic at Schneider Mills. In addition to the Sugar Loaf Volunteer Fire Dept. he was a member of the Alexander County Fireman's Association, and the Post Polio Support Group.

Joe is survived by his wife Phyllis, two sons; Rayford Deal (Paula) of Taylorsville, Joey Deal ( Sabrina) of Brevard and daughter; Amy D. Sprinkle (Eric) of Taylorsville. Two brothers; Roger Deal (Linda) of Taylorsville, Robert P. Deal, Jr. (Thea) of Taylorsville. Two sisters Coleen D. Mullis (Connie) of Statesville, Brenda D. Lowe (James) of Taylorsville. One grandson, Joseph Smithey of Taylorsville.

Funeral Services will be held at 12:00 pm, Saturday, June 30, 2018, at

Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, Pleasant Hill Church Road, Taylorsville, NC Rev. Chris Goforth and Rev. Shane Greene will officiate. The family will receive friends from 11:00 – 12:00 pm at the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the Sugar Loaf Fire Dept. Building Fund 3564 NC Hwy 16 N. Taylorsville NC 28681, or to Hospice of Alexander County 50 Lucy Echerd Ln. Taylorsville NC 28681.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Joseph "Joe" Harlen Deal*

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