



James Alvin "Red" Baham

June 30, 1923 - November 4, 2007

Born in Mt. Hermon , Louisiana , James Alvin Baham, son of Fannie Bankston Baham and Phillip A. Baham, died Sunday, November 4, 2007 at the age of 84. He was a lifelong resident of Washington Parish.

James was a papermaker, an employee of the Gaylord Paper Company and its successors from age 17 until his retirement. He was an Army veteran of World War II, serving with the 129th Radio Intelligence Corps in England , France and Germany .

He is survived by his daughter and her husband, Virginia "Ginger" Baham Corkern and Sandy Corkern. His grandchildren are Beth Corkern Fontenot and her husband, Matthew J. Fontenot of Austin , Texas and Port Gentil, Gabon , Africa; Sarah Corkern Boudreaux and her husband, Charles R. "Chuck" Boudreaux of Austin , Texas ; and Timothy Blair Corkern of Baton Rouge , Louisiana . His beloved great-granddaughter is Madelynne Fontenot, who lives with her parents in Austin or Port Gentil. James' sister, Jessie Baham Penton, is a resident of Bogalusa , Louisiana . He is also survived by nieces Rosamond Bateman Nicolosi, Ruth Bateman Crowe, Donna Bateman Kilbourne, and nephew, Phil Bateman.

James was preceded in death by his parents, and his sisters, Viola Baham Moody, Lillian Baham Bateman, and Bertha Baham.

Crain's Funeral Home in Franklinton is in charge of arrangements. Visitation will be on Tuesday evening from 5 p.m. until 9 p. m. Visitation will continue on Wednesday morning at 9 a. m. with the funeral beginning at 10 a.m. in Crain's

chapel. James will be buried in the Bankston Cemetery . The Rev. Robert Rhodes will conduct the service. Pallbearers will be Tim Corkern, Chuck Boudreaux, Phil Bateman, Chad Griffith, Roger Holloway, and Greg McKenzie. Honorary Pallbearers will be Leston McKenzie, Fitzhugh Stafford, D. L. Smith, Vesey J. Richardson, and Hardy Smith.

In lieu of flowers, a gift may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital , 501 St. Jude Place , Memphis , TN 38105 .

Tribute Wall

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“ *Sorry I could not make it to the funeral home. Gayle has been in the hospital which has kept me busy. Your Dad was not only a patient of mine for many years, he was also a good friend.*

Gerald Foret - November 08, 2007 at 11:17 AM

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“ *Ginger, I just read about your Dad's passing and wanted you to know that you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. May God give you the comfort you need at this time. Love, Mary*

Mary T. Beall - November 08, 2007 at 09:22 AM

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“ *VIRGINA AND FAMILY , MY SYMPATHY GOES OUT TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY. MARGUERITE THOMAS LIPANI I WORKED WITH YOUR MOTHER.*

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