



William Bell

October 25, 1921 - March 16, 2009

William Leslie Bell, 88, of 320 Third Avenue, Danville, VA died on Monday, March 16, 2009 in Danville Regional Medical Center. Mr. Bell was born in Danville, VA on October 25, 1921 a son of the late William Leslie Bell Sr. and Ruby Carter Bell. He had lived all of his life in Danville where he had worked in Grocery and Food Sales until his retirement. Mr. Bell served with the U.S. Navy during W.W II as a Gunners Mate 1st Class with the Atlantic Fleet North Africa. He served the last years of the War with the Chinese Guerrillas during the liberation of Shanghai. Mr. Bell was a member of Keen Street Baptist Church where he had served on the Deacon Board and as an Usher. He was first married to the late Dorothy Coleman Bell who died in November 16, 1983. On November 29, 1986 he was married to Katherine Palmer Jeffries Bell who survives of the residence. Mr. Bell is also survived by one son William Leslie "Billy" Bell, III, of Danville, one daughter Deborah B. Geiger of Clarksville, Tenn., four grandchildren, two great grandchildren & eight step grandchildren. Funeral Services will be conducted on Thursday, March 19, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. from the Wrenn-Yeatts North Main Chapel by the Reverend Jeffrey Wright. Interment will follow in Highland Burial Park with Military Honors conducted by American Legion, Dan River Post 1097 Honor Guard. The family will receive friends on Wednesday night from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. at the Wrenn-Yeatts North Main Chapel. The family suggests that in lieu of flowers memorial donations be made to the Danville Life Saving Crew, 202 Christopher Lane, Danville, VA 24541.