## Franklin D. "Frank" Burkhead



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Radcliff, KY

Franklin D. "Frank" Burkhead, 76, of Radcliff, died Friday, May 29, 2015, at his home.

He was a retired sergeant major in the U.S. Army with tours in Germany, Korea and Vietnam. His awards consisted of the combat infantry badge, master parachutist badge, aircrew badge, the bronze star with "V" device, the air medal, the Army commendation, Good Conduct 8th award, the meritorious service medal, the Legion of Merit and the Silver Star. He belonged to the Black Horse Association (11th ACR), the 2/Cav Association, Camp Knox Lodge 919 and the Scottish Rite in Louisville. He was a 32 degree mason.

He worked at Fort Knox as the post locksmith for 14 years, owned and operated a

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locksmith business in Radcliff and also worked as a locksmith at Hardin Memorial Hospital in Elizabethtown.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Joyce Lee Burkhead; and his parents, J.D. Burkhead Jr. and Doris H. Burkhead Gartman.

He is survived by two daughters, Susan and Bill Plemmons of Irvington and Sherry and Jesse Wright of Radcliff; four grandchildren, Amber and Todd Brown, Brittany and Brandon Collins-Walpole, Jaquelyn Collins and Cheyenne Collins; a great-granddaughter, Sadie Jo Brown; a brother, Milford and Deedy Burkhead; a special friend, Cheri Spradlin; and several other family members.

The funeral is at 10 a.m. Monday, June 1, at Nelson-Edelen-Bennett Funeral Home in Radcliff with Pastor Jesse Wright Sr. officiating. Burial with military honors follows in North Hardin Memorial Gardens in Radcliff.

Visitation is from 3 to 6 p.m. Sunday and continues after 9 a.m. Monday at the funeral home.

There is a Masonic service at 3 p.m. today.

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