

Frank Eastland – Death Notice

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Frank Leo Eastland, 75, died Sunday, Sept. 1, 2016. Public viewing will be 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday at Thompson and Son Funeral Home, Florence. Visitation will be 6-8 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. The funeral will be noon Saturday at Petersville Church of Christ, with burial in Greenview Memorial Garden.

Frank L. Eastland

CW4 (Ret.) Frank L. Eastland was assigned to the 175th Assault Helicopter Company (AHC) (Outlaws) in August 1969 as pilot in the 1st Platoon. He made AC in December 1969 as Emu 20 (call sign). Eastland was transferred to sister Company 175th at Vinh Long in March 1970. After 30 days he became AC (Aircraft Commander) again in Outlaw 20 and spent the rest of his Vietnam tour as Senior Advisor pilot for the 9th AVA Division. Eastland came off active duty in 1971 and became a member of the Alabama National Guard as an aviator for almost 30 years, retiring in October 2000. While a member of the National Guard, he was employed with the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) as a pilot and retired from the TVA in 1993. He later became a Chief Helicopter Pilot for Alphajet International.