



Larry Van Hillsman

July 28, 1948 - December 31, 2017

Mr. Hillsman is survived by his wife, Janie Margaret Hillsman; sons, Larry Frank Blackstone, Jr., Leslie Sean Blackstone (Angela Blackstone); daughters, Amy Marie Hillsman (Nathaniel Jackson), Lauren Nicole Corbitt (Shannon Corbitt); brother, Darrell Wayne Lang (Linda Lang); sister, Myra Jo Lang Dickerson (James Dickerson); nieces/nephews, Stuart Dickerson (Sam Stander), Cynthia Dickerson Traylor (Chris Traylor), Brian Dickerson (Sharon Dickerson), Brad Lang (Clare Lang); grandchildren, Mallorie Anne Blackstone, Alexandra Jane Blackstone, Sara Margaret Corbitt, Rebecca Jane Corbitt, Margaux Elizabeth Blackstone, Peyton Bennett Blackstone, Brooksie Marie Corbitt, Zoey Nicole Blackstone.

He is preceded in death by his mother, Nadine Beck Lang.

Achievements-

- * Started in the automobile business in 1969 and started a wholesale car business in Oct. 1976
- * Actively involved in the independent automobile dealers' association on a local, state and national level; Served as director of the Alabama Independent Automobile Dealers from 1981-1983; Served as president of the Marshall County Automobile Dealers' Association in 1982 and 1983
- * Elected Marshall County Quality Dealer in 1983
- * Named 1984 State and National Quality Dealer
- * Recognized as an Outstanding Young Man of America in 1985
- * On Board of Directors of the National Independent Automobile Dealers'

Association and represented area car dealers for 2 years on the United Way campaign

* Community and Civic Organizations; Member and deacon at Southside Baptist Church, Albertville Civitan Club, Aggie Football Parents' Organization, Albertville Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, served on the Albertville United Way, Member of Civitan Club, sponsor of Albertville High School athletic programs and band booster club, sponsor of Alabama Boy's Ranch, Vice president of the Marshall County Chapter of the American Heart Association

* Honored with a national award, the Golden Eagle Award, for membership recruitment to the association in 1983

* Served on Albertville City Council from 1988-1992

* Served as Albertville City Mayor from 1992-2004

* Returned to his career as a car salesman in 2005

* Retired and traveled the United States-2011-2017

* Volunteered as Camp Host at Greenbelt National Park from March-August 2017

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Marshall Cancer Care Center, 11491 Hwy 431, Albertville, AL 35950

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 6. 2:00 PM (CT)

Southside Baptist Church
Albertville, AL

Tribute Wall



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Larry Van Hillsman.* ”



January 04, 2018 at 12:30 PM