



## Gilmer Lee Fordyce

January 30, 2009

Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford

Gilmer Lee Fordyce, age 81, died Friday, January 30, 2009, at his home in Byhalia, MS, surrounded by friends and family.

Born in Tupelo, MS, he graduated from Tupelo High School in 1945. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II and as a member of the U.S. Marine Corp during the Korean War. During the Korean War, Mr. Fordyce fought in the Battle of Chosin and was awarded a Purple Heart for that service. He was a retired butcher and a member of the Byhalia United Methodist Church for 26 years. Mr. Fordyce enjoyed camping with his wife and grandchildren.

Visitation will be held Sunday, February 1, 2009, 1:00 p.m.-2:30 p.m. at "The Flame" at Byhalia United Methodist Church. A memorial service will follow directly at 2:30 p.m. in the church with Rev. Dr. Jim Biedenharn officiating. Interment will be in the Byhalia Cemetery, Byhalia, MS. Coleman Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Survivors include his wife of 26 years, Eleanor Davis Fordyce of Byhalia, MS; two daughters, Cheryl Mokry of Fayetteville, GA and Linda McKinney of Byhalia, MS; one son, Greg Davis of Ashland, MS; a sister, Lois Ray Holland

of Huntsville, AL; six grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Byhalia United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 6,  
Byhalia, MS 38611.