



William Earl Sheffield

May 8, 2012

Coleman Funeral Home

William Earl Sheffield, 48, died Tuesday, May 8, 2012 at his home in Water Valley, MS.

Born in Yalobusha county, Mr. Sheffield was a veteran of the United States Army who received various honors during his military career. These honors included the Bronze Star, three Army Commendation medals, three Army Achievement medals, and the Operation Enduring Freedom Award 2005-2006 in Afghanistan. He had been employed with the University of Mississippi Police Department since 1996 and was a Captain of Support Services at the time of his death. He was a graduate of the Mississippi Law Enforcement Training Academy, a member and training coordinator of the Mississippi Campus Law Enforcement Association, president of the Lafayette County Law Enforcement Officers' Association, deputy director of the Lafayette County Part-Time Law Enforcement Officer Academy, a NRA Firearms instructor, a graduate of the American Crime Prevention Institute and was awarded the Department of Legal Studies Outstanding Service Award. Prior to his employment with the University of Mississippi, he was employed with the Water Valley Police Department. Mr. Sheffield was a member of Chapel Hill Baptist Church, Water Valley, MS.

Visitation will be held Tuesday, May 15, 2012, 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. at the Bayson Chapel, Hwy. 32, Water Valley, MS. Funeral services will be held Wednesday, May 16, 2012 at 1:00 p.m. in the Water Valley City Auditorium, Water Valley, MS with Rev. Amos Sims officiating. Interment will be in the Bayson Chapel Cemetery. Coleman Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Survivors include one daughter, Naketa Danielle Sheffield of Water Valley, MS; two brothers, Robert Joseph Sheffield of Water Valley, MS and Charles Tyler of Memphis, TN; one grandchild.

His parents, Fred and Leeves N. Sheffield, and two sisters, Molly Sheffield and Sheila Ann Sheffield, preceded Mr. Sheffield in death.

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