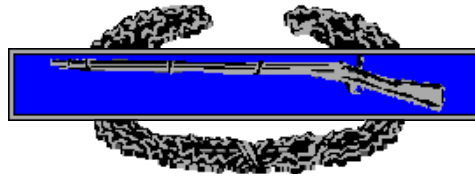


1ST BATTALION, COMPANY B, 50TH INFANTRY REGIMENT

Walter L. Brantley

Funeral Services for Mr. Walter L. Brantley., 68 of Marion, LA., will be held at 10:00 A.M. Monday, July 22, 2013, at Haile Baptist Church in Haile, LA. Officiating the service will be Rev. Mike Murray. Interment will follow in Brantley cemetery in Spearsville, LA., under direction of Kilpatrick Funeral Home of Farmerville. Mr. Brantley was born on September 10, 1944 and passed away on July 18, 2013. He is preceded in death by his wife, Olla Brantley: one son, Bobby Brantley: parents, Arthur Brantley and Grace Brantley, four brothers, William J. Brantley: Charles A. Brantley: Joe R. Brantley: and Carl W. Brantley. Survivors are one son: Roy Brantley, two grandchildren: Lee Ann Brantley, Kathern Brantley, five sisters and two brothers, Jean Desadier of Lake Providence, LA; Fro Banner of Kirbyville, TX; Maude Rogers of Farmerville, LA. Glenda Johanneson of Pollock, LA; Pat Reid of Brookeland, TX; Fate Brantley of Marion, LA; Louis Brantley of Marion, LA; and many nieces and nephews. Visitation will be held Sunday, July 21, 2013 at Haile Baptist Church from 5:00 P.M to 8:00 P.M. Online condolence messages may be sent to the family at www.kilpatrickfuneralhomes.com. Kilpatrick Funeral Home Farmerville, LA



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FOR HEROISM, NOT INVOLVING PARTICIPATION IN AERIAL FLIGHT, IN CONNECTION WITH MILITARY OPERATIONS AGAINST A HOSTILE FORCE IN THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM. SPECIALIST FOUR BRANTLEY DISTINGUISHED HIMSELF BY EXCEPTIONALLY VALOROUS ACTION ON 10 DECEMBER 1967, WHILE SERVING AS A RIFLEMAN WITH COMPANY A, 1ST BATTALION (MECHANIZED), 50TH INFANTRY DURING A SEARCH AND DESTROY MISSION NEAR BONG SON, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM. WHEN HIS UNIT BECAME HEAVILY ENGAGED WITH A LARGE ENEMY FORCE, SPECIALIST BRANTLEY EXPOSED HIMSELF TO THE HOSTILE FIRE TO PLACE DOWN A HEAVY BASE OF FIRE ON THE ENEMY EMPLACEMENTS. DISREGARDING HIS OWN SAFETY, SPECIALIST BRANTLEY MAINTAINED A GOOD FIELD OF VISION AND UNSELFISHLY COVERED THE MEDICAL AIDMEN WHO WERE EVACUATING THE WOUNDED PERSONNEL. HIS DISPLAY OF PERSONAL BRAVERY AND DEVOTION TO DUTY WAS IN KEEPING WITH THE HIGHEST TRADITIONS OF THE MILITARY SERVICE AND REFLECTS GREAT CREDIT UPON HIMSELF, HIS UNIT, AND THE UNITED STATES ARMY.

