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Alvin Havis Harris, Born October 17, 1924 passed away on November 25th 2002 in Modesto, California after a long illness. “Havis” as he was known by family and friends was the devoted and loving husband of Gloria Hammond-Harris of Modesto, California and the brother to the late Billie Daniels, Charlie Spencer. Senoia McFarland, Queenie Burns and Loretta Arnold. Havis was the seventh child of the late James and Annie Mae Harris. Born and raised in Gould, Arkansas where he received his formal education. In 1943, Havis enlisted in the US Navy and received an honorable discharge in 1946. As a young man he was very adventurous and wanted to travel the world. He later moved to the San Francisco Oakland Bay Area where he was employed as a merchant seaman. Traveling to the many ports of the world and traveled around the world seven times. He worked for Pacific Maritime Association as a longshoreman retiring after twenty nine-years. Now, love and sweet memories remain for those that Havis has left behind: His wife Gloria. sons; Cedric Harris of San Francisco, CA, Havis Harris of Kansas City, Kansas; daughter Lisa Foshee of Modesto, CA; step sons: Aaron Myrick of Stockton, CA, and Leonard Myrick of Modesto, CA; sisters Archie Blakely of Oakland, CA; Marie Evans of San Leandro, CA; Quincie Warfield of Temecula, CA; brothers Lamar Harris of Oakland, CA and James Hams of Berkeley, CA; and also a loving “grand daddy” to Jerry (whom he raised from infancy) and nine other grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Brother-in-laws Chester Blakely and Clarence Warfield. And a terrific uncle to a host of nieces and nephews. Havis was a proud and dependable man. Soft spoken but strong and independent always there when you needed him. He always had a sensitive loving side for children and never wanted to see them deprived of their well being. Havis was not a religious man, but he was spiritual and believed in a higher power which explains his love for life and living up to his fullest potential even to the very end. He never wanted or felt the need to share his pain with anyone other than



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his wife, Gloria. Havis always remained true to himself never letting the pressures of his ongoing illness change his personality. Havis was just a fun loving good old guy to his many friends. He will surely be missed but never forgotten. Friends are invited to attend Memorial Services on Friday, December 6, 2002, at 1:00pm at Chapel of the Chimes 4499 Piedmont Avenue in Oakland.



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Alvin by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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