



## Willard Eldridge Hudson

June 16, 1940 - June 28, 2026

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Willard Hudson was born June 16, 1940 to Sherman and Lottie (McRae) Hudson in Etowah County, AL. Willard married his wife, Myra Jean Maltbie, October 22, 1960. Willard passed June 28th, 2026 at his home per his wishes. He was 86 years old.

Visitation for family will be Thursday, July 2nd at 1 pm, Friends and Family at 145 pm at Etowah Memorial Chapel. His service will be at 3 pm and Entombment in Hudson Mausoleum at Hudson Fox Cemetery following the service.

Willard worked at the Blooming Mill of Republic Steel/LTV Steel/Gulf States Steel. He retired in 2000. He enjoyed taking spur of the moment vacations with his family, working his garden, and spending time with grandchildren and great grandchildren. Willard was very musically inclined, playing the piano, organ, guitar, bass guitar, and accordion. He loved to sing and play in church and at home with family.

He is survived by his wife, Jean Hudson, daughters Sonya Sullivan, Benita (Robert) Blaker, and Teresa Whitaker. One granddaughter, Alexandria Sullivan, 3 grandsons, Robert (Lauren)Blaker Jr, Vance Whitaker Jr, and

Michael Sullivan. 2 great grandsons Damian Sullivan and Draven Sullivan, 4 great granddaughters Sutton Blaker, Phoenix Sullivan, Emi Sullivan, and Parker Blaker. Sisters and Brother-in-Law, Kay Brooks (Wayne) and Brenda Jo English and Brother and Sister-in-Law; Claudie (Martha) Hudson.

Preceded in death by his parents Sherman and Lottie Hudson; Sisters, Martha Biesecker, Dorothy Kelley, Faye Johnston; and brothers Edward Hudson, Horace Hudson, John Hudson.

Pallbearers will be Robert Blaker Jr, Vance Whitaker Jr, Michael Sullivan, Damian Sullivan, Jonah Miller, Brody Miller, Steve Sullivan, Brian Summerville and John Eller. Service and prayer will be led by Tollie Hudson.

A special thanks to Shepherd's Cove Hospice and Marshall Medical Centers Home Health.

Arrangements entrusted to Etowah Memorial Chapel.

# Cemetery Details

## Hudson-Fox Memorial Cemetery

Carlisle

# Upcoming Events

## Visitation

JUL 2. 1:45 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Etowah Memorial Chapel  
12600 US Highway 431  
Sardis City, AL 35956  
(256) 593-4994

## Service

JUL 2. 3:00 PM (CT)

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