

## **Willie G. Archie Sr.**

Willie George Archie Sr., 70, of Putnam Hall, entered the sunset of life Thursday, March 8, 2007, at Putnam Community Medical Center in Palatka.

He was a native of Palatka and lifelong resident of Putnam County. In 1998, he retired from Georgia-Pacific (tissue converter department) with 42 years of employment. Willie George enlisted in the United States Army in 1954 and received an honorable discharge March 16, 1956. He was awarded the National Defense Service Medal and the Good Conduct Medal. He was a strong, compassionate and giving father and friend.

He was preceded in eternal rest by his parents, Calvin Archie and Gladys (Scott) Woods; grandmother, Alma Thomas, and aunt, Elizabeth Clayton.

To cherish his memories, beloved wife of 48 years, Bernice Archie of Putnam Hall; a strong, compassionate and giving father of 17 children, Shirley (Gus) Smalls of Raeford, N.C., Marilyn (Herbert) Williams of Gainesville, Verdell (Robert) Biles of Lancaster, Calif., Patricia (Benny) O'Neal of Alachua, Larry (Petra) Martin of Orlando, Calvin (Renate) Archie of Huntsville, Ala., Otis (Angela) Archie of Pompano Beach, Karen (Marvin) Thomas of Interlachen, Carol Edwards of Gainesville, Cynthia (David) Hendricks of Ozark, Ala., Gregory (Paula) Archie of Jasper, Willie G. (Darlene) Archie Jr. of Putnam Hall, Sharon Archie of Gainesville, Katrina (Richie) Eubanks of Putnam Hall, Donna (Timothy) Taylor of Denver, Colo., Morris Archie of Denver, and Dontral J. Fells of Palatka; 41 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Visitation for family and friends will be from 5-8 p.m. Friday, March 16, at the "Chapel of Serenity", 2400 Madison St., Palatka. Homegoing services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 17, at Mt. Tabor First Baptist Church, 4909 St. Johns Ave., Palatka, the Rev. Karl N. Flagg, pastor, officiating. Interment will follow in Abilene Cemetery in Putnam Hall. The cortege will assemble at the Archies' residence one hour prior to the service at 228 Putnam Hall Loop Road.

Arrangements are entrusted to the care of Karl N. Flagg Serenity Memorial Chapel.