

Phillip Nova Courson

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Phillip Nova Courson, 67, of Blackshear, passed away early Friday morning, June 13, 2008, at the Satilla Regional Medical Center.

A native of Ware County, he had lived in Pierce and Ware Counties most of his life. He had worked in the jewelry business and also the finance business before becoming disabled over 25 years ago. He was a US Army veteran having served during the Korean conflict and was of the Baptist faith. His parents, Silas and Lila Douglas Courson, preceded him in death.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Frances Yarborough Courson, Blackshear; a daughter and son-in-law, Melena and Kell Carpenter, Milledgeville; his precious granddaughter, Kelsey Marie Carpenter, Milledgeville; and several nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Visitation will take place from 6-8 p.m. Saturday, June 14 at the funeral home. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, June 15, from the Pearson-Dial Chapel. Interment followed in the Blackshear City Cemetery.

Members of the Blackshear High School and Patterson High School Class of '59 are asked to serve as honorary pallbearers and should meet at the chapel by 1:30 p.m. Sunday.

Sympathy may be expressed by signing the online register at www.pearsondial.com. Pearson-Dial Funeral Home of Blackshear is in charge of arrangements.