



James Edward Head was born on 4 Dec 1935 in New Brockton, Alabama to the late Lula Mae Head and Walter Head. He was raised in Enterprise, Alabama graduating from Coffee County Training School in May 1954. He attended Alabama State College in Montgomery until he married Rosetta Rogers on 11 Sep 1955.

He enlisted in the United States Air Force on 13 Sep 1955. His assignments included tours of duty at: Greenville AFB, MS; Chennault AFB, LA; Ramstein AB, Germany; Travis AFB, CA; Tan Son Nhut AB, Vietnam; Cigli AB, Turkey; Kelly AFB, TX; Minot AFB, ND; Taegu AB, Korea; L.G. Hanscom Field, MA; Incirlik CDI, Turkey; Clark, AB, Philippines; Randolph AFB, TX; Osan AB, Korea and Lackland AFB, TX where he cumulated his 30 years of service retiring with the rank of Senior Master Sergeant on 30 Sep 1985.

He was a tireless, accounting and finance professional accumulating many awards and commendations to include the Meritorious Service Medal (3 Oak Leaf Clusters). He was devoted to the U.S. Air Force and looked out for his troops beyond the usual supervisor | subordinate relationship. After a short "vacation" he became a civil service employee working at Lackland AFB where he continued his accounting and finance career until he retired "again" on 3 May 2000.

Through the years James served as a little league coach and Boy Scout leader, and during his overseas assignments he worked part-time as the Non-Commissioned Officer Club manager. He was generous and giving and has spent a lifetime assisting and helping those he loved and people who were in need. Both with his advice and money, doing it all without fanfare or looking for recognition. After his second retirement he embarked on a host of social activities to include class [family reunions, cruises]trips with his sons Rodney and Gerald, and his nephews Freddy C. and John Earl, trips to visit his daughters in Washington DC and Seattle WA, and many trips to Las Vegas to see close family friends Ben & Sandy Bee. He took to computers with the same diligence and determination he had applied to his work, he was a prolific emailer of "jokes", "health advice", "internet warnings" and the like.

During the last three years of his life, his son Tyrone moved from California to join Gerald in providing care for him as his ailments progressed. James did spend his free time watching game shows, news programs and various sporting events on TV. He loved the Cowboys, and the Spurs and took particular pleasure in calling his son Rodney to discuss the rivalry between the Redskins and the Cowboys thru the years.

On Wednesday, 9 Oct 2019, at his home, James was called home to be with the Lord, he was 84. He leaves to cherish his memory: children: Tyrone, Angeline, Hildegard, Jacqueline, Rodney and Gerald. He is preceded in death by his beloved wife Rosetta, daughter Caroline, parents: Lula Mae and Walter Head, siblings: Carrie and Mary Alice. Grandchildren: Danielle, Nicolle, Brandon (April), Ja'Nice and Emmanuel (Jasmine); Great Grandchildren: Jordan, Imani, Alána, Amír and Jeremiah; nephews, nieces, relatives and great many friends and extended family members. He truly will be missed by all who knew and loved him.