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A brother of William Franks of Bluffton, Clifford L. Franks, 71, died Tuesday, June 20, 2006, at his residence in Portland.

Mr. Franks was an employee of Quick Plastic in Portland for 20 years from 1969 to 1989. He then worked at Portland Hatchery for several years.

A U.S. Army veteran, he was a member of American Legion Post #211 in Portland.

Born in Portland on Sept. 19, 1934, he was a son of Orval and Clara L. (Corle) Franks. His marriage on Feb. 23, 1962, was to Joan Goubeaux, who survives.

Other survivors, in addition to the brother in Bluffton, include five daughters, Mrs. Ronald (Patty) Duke of Hartford City, Mrs. Mark (Clara) Ward of Iola, Texas, Mrs. Jim (Mary K.) Duke of Pennville, Sally S. Franks of Geneva and Mrs. Fred (Barb A.) Reese of Decatur; three sons, Clifford Franks Jr., Orville L. Franks and Joseph L. Franks, all of Portland; another brother, Dale G. Franks of Soldier, Ky.; 35 grandchildren; and 30 great-grandchildren.

Calling is from 3 to 7 p.m. Thursday at the Portland Chapel of Williamson and Spencer Funeral Home. Services are at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home with Pastor Phill Jellison officiating. Burial of the cremains will take place at a later date at Wells Cemetery. Preferred memorials are to State of the Heart Home Health and Hospice.

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