



Bobby Gene Rochester

September 20, 1937 - October 4, 2022

Bobby G. Rochester, 85, died at his home, with his wife and family members at his bedside. He was born October 20, 1937 in Leoma, TN., the son of Hosey R. Rochester and Mae Bell (Bobo) Rochester.

Services will be held at Shelton Funeral Home Chapel in Decatur, AL. Friday, October 7, 2022.

Visitation begins at 10:00am with service at 11:00am.

Burial will be at Polk Memorial Gardens in Columbia, TN. At 2:30pm Randy Berry will be officiating.

Bobby attended Culleoka High School and attended MTSU in his early years sponsored by General Electric.

He retired from General Electric as Plant Operations manager in 1992 after 32 years of service from the Mufreesboro, TN. and Columbia, TN. plants

Bobby married the love of his life, Jean, December 4, 1954 in Iuka, MS. Where they eloped with Jean's brother, Cleo (Dorothy) Griffy. This December would have made 68 years together.

Bobby loved his family, the Lord Jesus, his church family and his many friends. Spending time with his children, grandchildren and great-

grandchildren was his joy. He was greatly loved and will be greatly missed.

Fishing, farming, yard work and camping were just some of the activities he enjoyed.

He attended Austinville First Baptist Church in Decatur, AL. He loved his pastor, Randy Berry and the family of FBC.

Survivors include his wife, Jean Griffy Rochester, son Robert Doyle (the late Teresa) Rochester of Decatur, AL., son Michael Dirk (Ayesha) Rochester of Culleoka, TN., daughter Sandra (Randy) Thomason of Decatur, AL., son Randy (Debbie) Rochester of Marion, NC.

Grandchildren, Chris (Lori) Rochester, Kelley (Cory) Wells, David (Emily)Rochester, Kimberly (Tyler) McKenzie, Joseph (Brianna) Rochester, Emilee Rochester, Bryan Sircy, Jessica (Sean) Holder, Amanda (Justin) Cagle, Joseph (Brooke) Rochester, Jessica (Ben) Owenby, Jason (Laura) Rochester, and 18, soon to be 21 great-grandchildren. Brother Charlie Royce (Mary) Rochester of Monroe, MI.

Sister-in-law Pam Rochester of Annandale, VA. Also, many cousins, nephews and nieces.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brother Don Rochester, sister Lona Beard Westmoreland and brothers-in-law Ronald Beard and Windell Westmoreland.

Cemetery Details

Polk Memorial Gardens

6465 Trotwood Ave
Columbia, TN 38401

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Shelton Funeral Home Chapel
2105 Beltline Road SW
Decatur, AL 35601

Funeral Service

OCT 7. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Decatur, AL 35601

Graveside Service

OCT 7. 2:30 PM.

Polk Memorial Gardens
Columbia, TN

Tribute Wall



“ *Shelton Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Bobby Gene Rochester*



Shelton Funeral Home - November 30, 2022 at 02:45 PM

BS

“ *We send our deepest sympathy to the family. We enjoyed our years together at Southside Baptist church. Avonne and Bill Shelton*

Bill Shelton - October 10, 2022 at 03:57 PM

RC

“ *Bobby and his wife Jean took me in my senior year of high school before leaving for the Navy. It is something I will never forget and will always be grateful for.*

Ralph Cozart - October 07, 2022 at 02:44 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Bobby Gene Rochester.*



October 07, 2022 at 01:56 AM

TN

“ *Tony Neill lit a candle in memory of Bobby Gene Rochester*



Tony Neill - October 06, 2022 at 10:00 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Bobby Gene Rochester.*



October 06, 2022 at 04:08 PM



BonBon
Rochester

“ *So many happy times with Bobby and Jean. We made several trips together. A back to back trip to Williamsburg, VA then on to Maui, Hawaii was very memorable. We wore ourselves out island hopping. Jean, my thoughts are with you and your family as yours were with me when I lost Don.
Pam Rochester*

BonBon Rochester - October 06, 2022 at 03:38 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Bobby Gene Rochester.*



October 06, 2022 at 01:07 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Bobby Gene Rochester.*



October 06, 2022 at 12:37 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Bobby Gene Rochester.*



October 06, 2022 at 12:10 PM



“ *I loved hearing Uncle Bobby tell stories of growing up and enjoyed him and Aunt Jean taking my sister and I around to see where our family came from and where they grew up. He was a great man and I will miss him very much. One of my favorite stories he told I have on video and it is a treasured memory.*

Vikki Rochester - October 06, 2022 at 10:07 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Bobby Gene Rochester.*



October 06, 2022 at 09:58 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Bobby Gene Rochester.*



October 06, 2022 at 09:40 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Bobby Gene Rochester.*



October 05, 2022 at 07:12 PM