



Mr. Arthur Marvin Saylor

March 20, 1939 - October 27, 2022

Mr. Arthur Marvin Saylor, formerly of Arab Alabama, passed away at his residence in Muscle Shoals on Thursday, October 27, 2022 at the age of 83. Mr. Saylor was born on March 20, 1939 to John Crawford Saylor and Ethel Lee Tyler in Marshall County Alabama. Mr. Saylor was the definition of a self-made man. After proudly serving his country in the Army's 101st Airborne Division, he became an entrepreneur, owning a concrete company in Huntsville and a car business in Arab. He was married to the love of his life, Elizabeth Ruth McClendon, for 57 years and spent those years enjoying her cooking, holding hands, and loving his family. He was happiest spending time with his family and keeping extremely busy. Whether it was work or his hobbies, he always pursued life to the fullest. He enjoyed his work, traveling with friends, his motorcycle, horseback riding, and watching Alabama football. Whatever his family was interested in he made it a point to support them. Above all, he loved being surrounded by his family and friends. Mr. Saylor leaves behind memories to be cherished by his wife; Elizabeth "Ruth" Saylor, sons; Russell Saylor and his wife Cindy, and John Saylor and his wife Stephanie, daughter; Joanne Goins and her husband Bill, brothers; Dewight Saylor, and Terry Saylor and his wife Rhonda, sisters; Joyce Jones and her husband Mickey, Janice Sayman and her husband Bob, and Jean Franks and her husband Donnie, grandchildren; Brad Saylor, Emma Underwood, Sheena Blocker, Amber Minor, Haley Smith, Davis Goins, Ellie Saylor, and Crawford Saylor, and great-grandchildren; Addison and Ava

Minor, Anna Beth and Millie Underwood, JJ and Asher Peck, and Greyson and Lillian Smith.

Mr. Saylor is preceded in death by his parents; John and Ethel Saylor and daughter; Amy Blocker.

A visitation with the family of Mr. Saylor is scheduled for Sunday October 30, 2022 at Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel from 12:00pm – 2:00pm. A service will follow at 2:00pm with Brother Kenneth Smith officiating the service.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations in Mr. Saylor's name be made to the Mt. Oak/Ruth Cemetery Fund.

Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel, directing.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **30**. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel
1340 North Main Street
Arab, AL 35016
(256) 586-4100

Service

OCT **30**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

JW

“ *Jennifer Walker lit a candle in memory of Mr. Arthur Marvin Saylor*



Jennifer Walker - February 04, 2024 at 03:21 PM

JG

“ *God bless you all. Arthur was such an awesome man, and loved by so many. Praying for comfort and peace. Love always. Jennifer Fisher Green*



Jennifer Fisher Green - November 03, 2022 at 08:18 PM



“ *My condolences I just heard of the arrangements reading it today. I loved my cousin Arthur and he will be missed. Prayers for family and friends.*



Christy Murphree - November 02, 2022 at 03:10 PM

WD

“ *Dear Saylor family, I'm so glad you had an awesome man like Arthur for a father, a grandfather and a father-in-law. His obituary was an awesome read. I know your thankful for the wonderful times you had with him. Dwell on the precious memories. Love and prayers for your family during this time. -Wray Dillard and family*

Wray Dillard - November 01, 2022 at 12:38 PM

GJ

“ A mournful day... very sad that my favorite Uncle is gone. The eldest of my grandmother's six children, he served in the 101st Airborne, himself, tough as a "pine knot" (as he'd often say) and I had tremendous respect for the man because, as his obituary notes, and his life bears out, he was the definition of a self-made man and most importantly, made differences in lives. I wish I had a smidgin of his knowledge on so many things. To me, he was a magician - able to fabricate anything from nothing. He built things, made things, fixed things, helped people, and worked hard his entire life building a life for his family. He helped me when I was a kid who had lost his way in some ways. He showed me first hand what discipline and hard work really meant. He also taught me what it was I didn't want to do for the rest of my life. When I worked on his job sites, and I thought I was gonna die (yet, didn't, obviously), he didn't cut me any special slack. He expected me to work just as hard, if not harder, than people that had been with him for years. He had experiences that he shared with me riding in his trucks, and would say, with a serious look from his single eye (long ago injury) "...son...", and then whatever it was he wanted me to know - from his experience. I saw from him what it meant to get knocked down and get the hell back up again, bigger, stronger, better. And the yarns he could spin. Oh those yarns. I can still hear them, his uproarious laugh, his mischief making, joking, teasing. It's been too many years since I've seen him - too many, and I feel terrible because, one would think, some way, in the last ten years, or so, I coulda figured out a way. It's learning all over again what I think is one of the worst mistakes we, as humans can make: thinking we have time. I did it again. Thought I had time. No, we have no time, is what we have. Life is painful on this earth and short. Times like these remind me of my own mortality, of course. Act today. See those you love today because tomorrow could be too late. The last time I spoke to him was April of this year (2022); I had it on my calendar to call him again today. That's a call that can't be made now - ever. I pray my Uncle Arthur has been received into the Kingdom of Heaven and will rest in peace forever in the House of our Lord. My deepest condolences to my Aunt Ruth (the woman "behind the man"), his children, my

cousins - John, Russell, JoAnn, and all his grandchildren and great grandchildren. His was a successful life. God bless you and rest in peace, Uncle. I love you and you will always be a big part of my most favorite memories growing up, and trying to find my way. Thank you for helping me do that.

Greg Jones - October 30, 2022 at 02:03 PM

JJ

Mickey and I drove from our home in Foley, AL to Arab yesterday for my dear brother Arthur's funeral in spite of opposition against it because of my physical limitations. With a little help, I made it fine but the 11 hrs riding there and back was painful on my osteopathic hip. He had a large family presence there to celebrate and honor his long life. It was a sweet service, several of his children and grandchildren painted perfect pictures of just who Arthur was when they spoke. He was a self-made man who was most generous with his family, not only monetarily but with his love, care and special kindness. Yes, that was my brother. He was always fun to be around and always good for some big belly laughs by his quirky way of "telling it like it is." He never held back. On the other hand, Arthur had a serious side with a loving heart of gold. He was a loving husband to his wife Ruth, they had been married over fifty wonderful years and complemented each other perfectly.

I didn't get to see my brother in the last several years due to my disability and the long distance between us. This is regretfully acknowledged but I always counted my brother as one of my favorite people, someone I looked up to and respected. He will be missed by so many, including myself.

joyce jones - October 31, 2022 at 12:16 PM

LS

“ We were deeply saddened to hear of Arthur's passing. Sending thoughts of comfort, peace, and all our love.



Louette Saylor - October 30, 2022 at 11:13 AM

FG

We were so sad to hear of Arthur's passing. He was truly a Saylor. Loved hearing his stories. He will be missed. Always being there for family & friends. Hugs and love along with prayers for all.
Joe&Frankie (Saylor) Greer

Frankie Greer - October 30, 2022 at 12:02 PM

JJ

Thanks for your kind words. Very much appreciated.
Joyce Saylor Jones (Arthur's sister).

joyce jones - October 31, 2022 at 01:42 PM



“ 59 files added to the album Life Tributes



Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel - October 29, 2022 at 02:37 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Arthur Marvin Saylor.



October 29, 2022 at 10:05 AM

JM

“ *Sending love and prayers to the family. Joan Marsh*

Joan Marsh - October 29, 2022 at 09:58 AM



*Praying for comfort and encouragement for the family. With love,
Clerease Simmons*

Clerease Simmons - October 29, 2022 at 10:51 AM

LS

The memory of Arthur will go on forever. He won the affection of every single one of us. Please accept this token of my sympathy in the form of a donation I've made in Arthur's name to his nephew Jason Saylor to aid in his continuing recovery from a stroke.

Lesa Saylor

Lesa Saylor - October 29, 2022 at 02:39 PM

JJ

Thanks so much Lesa. I am sure Jason and his family will appreciate it.

joyce jones - October 31, 2022 at 01:54 PM