



Austin Eugene Hinds Jr.

September 24, 1942 - January 6, 2026

Austin Eugene Hinds, Jr., a cherished member of the Arab community, peacefully passed away on January 6, 2026, at the age of 83, surrounded by his family. Austin was a man driven by hard work, determination, and unwavering perseverance. From a young age, he understood the significance of effort and commitment, and the concept of quitting was foreign to him.

Above all, Austin cherished his family. Time spent with loved ones held immense value for him, and his devotion was evident in countless acts of care, support, and quiet sacrifice. Family was always his top priority. Austin also had a deep passion for collecting classic cars and attending classic car auctions across the country. He also enjoyed cheering on his favorite sports team, the Auburn Tigers, watching westerns, and listening to good old country music.

Austin, a businessman who started his career in 1973, was often perceived as a serious and respected individual. However, to his family and closest friends, he was known as a big teddy bear—kind, gentle, and endlessly caring. Renowned for his remarkable kindness and a truly big heart, Austin was always willing to help others, often without expecting anything in return.

Austin will be deeply missed and fondly remembered by all who had the great privilege of knowing him.

Austin is survived by his loving wife, Jacquelin Leach Hinds, and their children: Steve (Alisha) Hinds, Rod Hinds, Todd (Tammy) Isom, Amy (Vince) Glassco, Greg (Aneitra) Hinds. They also have grandchildren: Bradley Hinds, Colby (Skylar) Glassco, Dalton (Caitlyn) Hinds, Cole (Allison) Isom, Zac Hinds, Macy (Brandon) White, Taylor Hinds, Allie (Preston) Bryant, and Trevor (Ari) Hinds. Great-grandchildren include Carson Hinds, Harper Hinds, Hollis Hinds, Braelie Isom, Whitt Glassco, Hudson Isom, and Jenni Cate Hinds.

Services for Austin will be held at Arab United First Methodist Church on Sunday, January

11, 2026. Visitation will commence at 1:00 p.m. and conclude before the funeral service begins at 3:00 p.m. A private family burial will take place at Arab Memorial Cemetery. Elias Pratt, Bradley Hinds, Colby Glassco, Dalton Hinds, Cole Isom, Zac Hinds, Taylor Hinds, and Trevor Hinds will serve as pallbearers.

Honorary pallbearers include Garwin Betterton, Gary Brown, Buddy Green, James Gullede, James Hardin, Howard Hawk, Bob Joslin, Marlin Love, JW Moon, Duncan Showler, GT Skinner, Homer Talley, Randy Tolbert, Charlie Whitehead, and Danny Wright.

Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel is honored to assist the family with arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Arab Memorial Cemetery

565 South Main Street
Arab, AL 35016

Previous Events

Lie-In-State

JAN 11. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Arab First United Methodist Church
1058 North Main Street
Arab, AL 35016

Funeral Service

JAN 11. 3:00 PM (CT)

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1058 North Main Street
Arab, AL 35016

Tribute Wall

EH

“ *Eric Hammond lit a candle in memory of Austin Eugene Hinds Jr.*



Eric Hammond - January 10 at 12:48 AM

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“ *1 file added to the album Memories*



Aneitra Hinds - January 08 at 10:26 PM

BA

I met Austin Hinds through my father in law Travis Fuller. They were both in the auto industry and Austin was a customer who bought cars for us. Austin and I hit it off real well and when Travis retired I continued to do business with Austin. He was a loyal customer and I can say he was a man of integrity. If he told you something you could take it to the bank. He and I had were the same when it came to that. If he told me he'd be there at 8:00AM, you could bank on it. You don't find that kind of integrity and loyalty these days. My condolences to his family and friends. Rest easy old friend, your work on earth is done. I am a better man having known you.

Ben Anderson - March 06 at 06:01 PM



“ *9 files added to the album Memories*



Aneitra Hinds - January 08 at 10:14 AM

CM

“ *My condolences to the family and friends of Mr. Austin Hinds. You're in our prayers I'm sorry for your loss.*



christy Griffin Murphree - January 08 at 06:29 AM

LL

So sorry to learn of the passing of my long time friend Austin Hinds. Leon Thomas Scottsboro Al.

Leon Thomas Leon's Towing & Recovery LLC - January 08 at 10:00 AM

CT

Jackie and family, so sorry for your loss. In reviewing your pictures, Aus reminded me of his granddad, John Hinds. Originally, decades ago, John and M.L. started their business on 1st. Avenue NW in Arab. Aus was just a mischievous, energetic young kid. Time flies; . Again, to all the family, my heart hurts knowing we have lost another pioneer of Arab. Condolences to all.

Carolyn Thrower

carolyn thrower - January 08 at 10:47 AM

SG

He helped more people than the world will ever know.

Stacy George - January 08 at 02:21 PM