



Mr. Donald Wayne "Don" Bailey

July 18, 1945 - February 7, 2017

Mr. Donald Wayne "Don" Bailey, 71 of Arab, the Ruth Community, died Tuesday, February 7, 2017 at Huntsville Hospital after a lengthy battle with cancer.

Mr. Bailey was born July 18, 1945 in Marshall County to Robert Benson Bailey and Ruby Delores Saylor Bailey. He served in the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam War. He was a self employed contractor for over 40 years. He was a skilled craftsman and avid outdoorsman who loved the Lord, life and his family. His motto was JOY: Jesus first, others second and yourself last.

He was a member of Ruth Baptist Church where he taught Sunday School.

Mr. Bailey is survived by his wife of 19 years: Deborah V. Bailey; his sons: Alfred Williams and Drew Vickers, his daughters and son-in-law: Janette and Steve Lemons and Amy Vickers; six grandchildren,; six great grandchildren; sisters: Roberta Wallen and Sandra Willis and a host of nieces, nephews and faithful friends. He was preceded in death by his parents: Robert and Ruby Bailey; a son Scott Bailey and his wife of 31 years: Beverly Bailey.

Funeral service will be 2:00 p.m. Saturday February 11, 2017 at Ruth Baptist Church with Brothers: Jimmy Robinson and Radford Pritchett, officiating.

Burial will be in Mt Oak/Ruth Cemetery with Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel, directing.

Pallbearers will be Steve Lemons, Jamey Light, Larry Vaughn, Jaemon Gillies, Mark Prince and Michael Jarvis.

Honorary Pallbearers will be Buddy Green, Dr. John Watkins and Terry

Bennett.

Visitation will be 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Saturday February 11, 2017 prior to the service at Ruth Baptist Church.

Cemetery Details

Mount Oak/Ruth Cemetery

3375 Ruth Road
Arab, AL 35016

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 11. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Ruth Baptist Church
3946 Mount Oak Road
Arab, AL 35016

Service

FEB 11. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ I remember he built our house ❤️ My kids adored him also, Especially Jr. as he called him. jr. We love you Don 🇺🇸

Stacy Ward Pegram - May 02, 2017 at 03:51 PM



“ Stacy Ward Pegram lit a candle in memory of Mr. Donald Wayne "Don" Bailey



Stacy Ward Pegram - April 29, 2017 at 06:51 PM

GS

“ My heart goes out to the family of Don on this sad occasion. Don represents the true definition of "good old boy". He would give you the shirt off his back and believed in doing everything for family. I'm glad I had the privilege of knowing him.

Greg Smedsrud

Greg Smedsrud - February 20, 2017 at 11:53 AM

SM

“ I got to know Mr. Bailey many years ago through business. But he ended up being someone that I thought more of as family. He was a great man that I had a lot of respect for. I am thankful for the time I was able to spend with him. Rest my friend.



Shannon Mason - February 13, 2017 at 06:07 PM

BM

“ *Butch and Dianne Murphy purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Donald Wayne "Don" Bailey.*



Butch and Dianne Murphy - February 11, 2017 at 08:07 AM

TB

“ *Terry & Debbie Bennett lit a candle in memory of Mr. Donald Wayne "Don" Bailey*



Terry & Debbie Bennett - February 10, 2017 at 09:26 AM

TE

Donald was more than a friend to Terry and I - he was family. No matter what needed to be fixed at our home, electrical, plumbing, or just needing ideas for renovation, our first thought (always) was "we need to call Donald".....Terry and I lost something huge and our hearts are breaking. This person was amazing, intelligent and a part of us left with him. There will never be another Donald Bailey - we told him we loved him and he told us he loved us.....we will carry him with us always.....rest in peace dear pal.

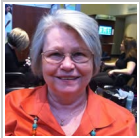
Terry - February 10, 2017 at 09:44 AM



“ *Don was more than a cousin and neighbor, he was a hard-working, talented and kind person, who was always willing to lend a hand or help someone. Always thinking of others, he would generously share his wonderful, homegrown vegetables and melons in the summer or drop by just to say hello. He will be greatly missed!*



Louette Saylor - February 09, 2017 at 09:40 PM



“ *Deborah, I am so sorry for the loss of Don. May the Lord comfort you and your family at this difficult time.*

Sandra Shuler - February 09, 2017 at 07:42 PM



“ *Deborah, I am so sorry to hear of this. I have good memories of you and Don visiting Birmingham.*



Maggie Davis - February 09, 2017 at 03:50 PM



“ *JAN MALONE lit a candle in memory of Mr. Donald Wayne "Don" Bailey*



JAN MALONE - February 09, 2017 at 12:52 PM



Don: You were the best of the best. We will miss your sweet spirit & kind and gentle heart. We know you are in a better place now with no pain. You are with God. We love you so much! Your Michigan cousins: Nancy, LouAnn, Karen & Lori.

Nancy Weycker - March 23, 2017 at 02:27 PM