



Hugh "Babe" Carroll Saylor

April 28, 1941 - June 23, 2025

Mr. Hugh "Babe" Carroll Saylor, age 84, of Athens, Alabama, passed away early Monday morning, June 23, 2025, at Huntsville Hospital. Born in Marshall County, Alabama, on April 28, 1941, Babe was the beloved son of Hugh Saylor and Nona Mae Whisenant.

Babe spent his early years in the Ruth community of Arab, AL, where he cultivated the values of hard work, perseverance, and a love for the simple joys of life. He graduated from Sweetwater High School (Class of 1959). He continued his education at Tennessee Military Institute and later Moorehead State College in Moorehead, Kentucky, fulfilling his dream of playing college football.

A devoted husband, Babe shared 27+ wonderful years with his wife Sharon Vann Saylor. Their union was filled with countless memories of joy and mutual support.

Professionally, Babe brought his dedication and ingenuity to his work. He retired as a respected computer scientist from CyberProtex. He had a love of tinkering with cars and lawnmowers.

He also had a love for the Tennessee Volunteers and the Auburn Tigers, from football to girls' softball. His commitment to his teams was unwavering.

Surviving family members include his wife, Sharon Vann Saylor; stepson, Ryan Vann; stepdaughter, Michelle Vann Hammons (Lee); grandchildren, Hanna Hammons, Zoe Green, Jozie Vann, Ziggy Vann, Ramzey Vann, Suzette Vann, Ezra Vann and Zeno Vann; brothers, Joe Saylor (Janice) and Jerry Whisenant (Jean).

He is preceded in death by his parents, Hugh Saylor and Nona Mae Whisenant and his brother, Russell Saylor.

Services for Babe will be Friday, June 27, 2025 at Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel. Visitation will be from 2:00- 4:00 pm with the funeral service beginning at 4:00pm. Sheila Calderon will present the eulogy. Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel entrusted with arrangement.

In lieu of flowers the family suggest donations to Mt. Oak/Ruth Cemetery Fund at 1194 Saylor Gap Road, Arab, AL 35016.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 27. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

BS

“ We’re so sorry to learn of Babe’s passing. When we visited Sweetwater, Tennessee this spring, my dad, Ed Moore, shared some funny and sweet memories of his escapades there with step-brothers Babe and Russell during their youth. We lost my dad last month, so those memories are particularly poignant now. Sending love from the Moore family.

~ Beth Moore Shenton

Beth Moore Shenton - September 11, 2025 at 07:00 AM

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“ Babe and his brothers and my siblings and I were close first cousins growing up in Ruth Community, with lots of other cousins, Aunts, Uncles and close friends. We were all family...and had an entire baseball team so many times! Babes parents were among my favorites, loved visiting them in Sweetwater, Tn. Though I lived away most of my adult life, the closeness of his family always remained. Those fond memories filled with so much fun will forever be a part of my life.. Babe was such a kind person, and I am so happy that he and Sharon enjoyed many years of happiness together. I will miss Babe, he will always be in my memoir. God Bless..❤️ Sharon, Joe and Jerry and families.

Janice Saylor Sayman - June 26, 2025 at 08:28 PM

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“ Bill and Lorrie McKinney planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Hugh "Babe" Carroll Saylor.

Bill and Lorrie McKinney - June 26, 2025 at 02:58 PM

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“ Bill and Lorrie McKinney purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Hugh "Babe" Carroll Saylor.



Bill and Lorrie McKinney - June 26, 2025 at 02:58 PM



“ 61 files added to the album Life Tributes



Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel - June 26, 2025 at 02:43 PM

JF

“ Jean Franks purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Hugh "Babe" Carroll Saylor.



Jean Franks - June 26, 2025 at 08:20 AM

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“ I have been knowing Hugh for 20 years or more bought four vehicles from him over the years he was a all around great person I really enjoyed going down and helping him with work around him and his wife's place doing different things he needed done he always had go advice to share I have learned several things from him me and my family will sure miss him being around RIP Hugh you will be missed by lots of people



nicholas brewer - June 24, 2025 at 06:51 PM