



Robert Newton Stephens

March 26, 1934 - August 15, 2020

STEPHENS, Robert Newton, 86, went home to be with the Lord on Saturday evening, August 15, 2020. Memorial service will be held on Saturday, August 22, 2020 from Glynwood Baptist Church at 2:30 pm with Pastor James Jackson and Pastor Mike Denning officiating. Mr. Stephens was known as Robert, Bob, Dad, Big Daddy and a child of God by all who loved him. He served in the U.S. Army, also was skilled machinist and refrigeration technician for 45 years with Genuine Auto Parts and Mid-State Thermo King. Mr. Stephens was a member of Glynwood Baptist Church. He loved spending his time outdoors, always had a garden and an avid Auburn fan. Mr. Stephens was preceded in death by his parents, Melvin Connie Stephens and Georgia Lee Brown Stephens; four siblings, Charles Stephens, Ray Stephens, Faye Middleton and Doug Stephens. He is survived by his loving wife of 63 years, Leal Wood Stephens; four children, Vint Stephens, Cindy Martin Salyers (Greg), Todd Stephens (Debra) and Wade Stephens; seven grandchildren, David, Keri, Alex, Brandy, Levi, Cory and Jeremy; seven great-grandchildren, Devin, Jadin, Emma Claire, Sam, Annleigh, Saylor and Abigail; sister, Henriette Hood (Clifton); sisters-in-law, Ann Stephens and Darlene Stephens; extended family and friends. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in his honor to Gynwood Baptist Church Building Fund.

Previous Events

Service

AUG **22**. 2:30 PM (CT)

Glynwood Baptist Church
376 McQueen Smith Rd
Prattville, AL 36066

Tribute Wall

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“ Bob was a coworker then friend and later years my father-in-law. I remember as a coworker he was quite and always willing to lend a hand when you needed help. A person like Bob was far and few between. The knowledge the skill and willingness he shared with people will go on.

He was told by someone once Bob you are a junk master the reason was if you needed anything most of the time he had it. Tim Partin said many times let me go and see if Bob has something like this or see if he has time to make it.

Bob went out to Dallas Texas to work for a couple of years I would hear I don't know or I always asked Bob or can you do that no Bob usually done that. Some how we survived those 2 years. It sure was good to have him back.

As a friend and father-in-law I will hold close what he has shared with me over the years.

The skills and knowledge that he has past on to me and many others looking back over the years I should have asked more questions than I did because you know When someone like Bob passes you always have one more question or one more thing you would like to say to them. Bob will be missed by many. Greg Salyers

Greg Salyers - August 21, 2020 at 08:15 AM

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“ I met Big Daddy through his wife. She and I worked at Maxwell in the same office. Big Daddy was always so kind to me. He would get such a kick out of how I would give Mrs Stephens such a hard time whenever we were together. He always welcomed me in their home. His heart was as large as his stature. He was a blessing not only in my life but in so many others. He will truly be missed in the natural but will always remain in our hearts. Peace and comfort to Mrs Stephens and family.

Tina Johnson - August 20, 2020 at 09:56 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Robert Newton Stephens.



August 20, 2020 at 06:35 PM

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“ When Todd and I started dating, Mr. Stephens was always so quiet, I never hear him speak or laugh, always sat in his chair with his hand over his mouth with an occasional grunt every now and then. He would just sit and watch everyone. For a long time, I thought maybe he didn't talk. Then, I thought “maybe he wears false teeth and isn't wearing them”. I was young, and not a member of the family yet. One Memorial Day, everyone was hanging out at the pool, including Mr. Stephens (he watched, he didn't swim). Well, everyone except Mrs. Stephens (Leal), she had to work that day. When she came home, she walked around back and commented that she hoped everyone was having a good time while she worked. Jennifer, (a sister in-law) “dared me”. So I commented to Mrs. Stephens about a ring she was wearing, “Is it new? Let me see”. She bent over, held her hand out and really before I knew what I was doing, I took her hand and yanked her in the pool! Work clothes and all! I had NEVER heard Mr. Stephens laugh, and certainly not the belly laugh that came from him that day. No one could believe I actually did that, but from that day forward he and I were family. Todd and I have been together since High School, and I never knew (until now) that he wouldn't talk because back then, he used snuff. Mr. Stephens, “Big Daddy”, was a kind man that was very loved and who will truly be miss! ❤️



Debra Stephens - August 18, 2020 at 12:08 AM

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“ *Your Family purchased the Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet for the family of Robert Newton Stephens.*



Your Family - August 17, 2020 at 09:48 PM