



Elbert "Al" Rutledge

December 27, 1936 - October 30, 2024

Elbert "Al" L. Rutledge, 87 of Lansing, passed away peacefully October 30, 2024 at his home. Al was born December 27, 1936 in Morgan County Alabama, the son of James and Pansy (Allison) Rutledge.

Al married Phyllis Barclay on June 24, 1961, whom they met through mutual friends, celebrating 60 years of marriage prior to her passing in April of 2022.

Al enjoyed watching NASCAR, golfing and the History Channel. He also enjoyed spending time gardening, cooking and fishing. He was a very family orientated man, and loved the time he spent with them, as well as his many dachshunds with he affectionately called his four-legged kids.

He is survived by his daughters, Sheila (Ed) Rutledge-Graham of Charlotte, Glenda (J.D.) Gatewood of Eagle, and Sandra (Karl) Swearingen of Lansing.

He is also survived by eight grandchildren; William (April) Graham, Joseph (Jessica) Graham, Garrett Graham, Breck (McKayla) Graham, Lyndi Gatewood, Kenzie (Taylor) Strouse, Blake & Joel Swearingen, and seven great-grandchildren; Elizabeth, Michael, Jenny, Jax, Lucas, Pennie, and Spencer. Al considered his neighbors, Jenn Novenske and Shawn Rogers, to be "his bonus daughters". In addition to his parents and his wife, his death was preceded by four brother and one sister.

A funeral service will be held on Saturday, November 2, 2024 at the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge at 2:00 pm with the family and friends sharing memories and stories. Visitation will begin at 1:00 p.m.

Memorial contributions in his memory may be directed to St. Judes Children's

Research Hospital.

Share your memories and condolences online at www.holihanatkin.com.

Previous Events

Public Viewing

NOV 2. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

NOV 2. 2:00 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JF

“ Jim rutledg and family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Elbert "Al" Rutledge.



Jim rutledg and family - November 01, 2024 at 07:58 PM

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“ Jim rutledg and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Elbert "Al" Rutledge.

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JE

“ Still doesn't seem real. You touched our lives and we will never forget you. Jenn

Jenn - November 01, 2024 at 02:24 PM

LC

“ Please know that we in Alabama are thinking of you and will keep you in our prayers. The family of Guy and Laura Smith.

LaShay Corbin - October 31, 2024 at 09:16 PM

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“ Love the Jerzak family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Elbert "Al" Rutledge.



Love the Jerzak family - October 31, 2024 at 11:57 AM