



Mr. Donald Melvin Russell Sr.

October 11, 1942 - January 25, 2025

Mr. Donald Melvin Russell Sr., age 82, of Scottsboro, Alabama passed away on Saturday, January 25, 2025, at Huntsville Hospital.

Mr. Russell was a former AL State Commander of the VFW, a loyal member of the Cahaba Shriners in addition to being a Freemason.

Mr. Russell's favorite hobbies were fishing and hunting with his grandchildren. He knew where to find the fish. After joining the Navy, he served aboard the USS Lexington aircraft carrier during the Vietnam Era and Cuban Missile Crisis. He was an expert with a rifle or pistol. Mr. Russell was very quick witted. In addition to being a man of many accomplishments, Mr. Russell was the first K9 police officer to serve the Town of Grant alongside his K9, Rusty.

He is survived by his sons, Donald M. Russell Jr., Christopher Lee Russell, Richard Mark Russell (Guinnett), Brian Keith Russell (Beverly); daughter, Mindy Stanley (Joe); twelve grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; brother, Homer Clinton Russell; sisters, Linda Lou Russell Ponder, Brenda Marie Russell Crisson, along with a host of other close family and friends.

Mr. Russell was preceded in death by his wife, Evelyn Cornelius Russell; daughter, Kandy Russell; parents, Henry Lee Jr. and Mary Jane Russell; brothers, Ernest Lee Buchanan, Kenneth Carlton Russell, Eldridge Franklin Russell, Glenn Allen Russell, Richard Lee Russell; and sister, Melba Louise Starnes.

Funeral service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 2, 2025, at the

Grant Memorial Chapel with Bro. David Gamble officiating. Burial will follow at Bush Cemetery in Clouds Cove. The family will receive friends prior to the funeral service on Sunday, February 2, 2025, from 12:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. at Grant Memorial Chapel.

Arrangements Entrusted to Grant Memorial Chapel.

Cemetery Details

Bush Cemetery

Huntsville, AL 35803

Previous Events

Visitation

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

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4930 Main Street
P.O. Box 484
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“ *Sorry for the loss of your loved one. GOD will comfort you all--if you let him. You are all in our prayers. Jerry & Betty (Saint) Walls*

Jerry Walls - January 29, 2025 at 09:16 AM