



Cecil Wayne Vinson

February 11, 1944 - April 17, 2021

Cecil Wayne Vinson, 77, of Chattanooga, passed away peacefully into Heaven on Saturday, April 17, 2021 at his home.

Wayne was born on February 11, 1944 in Bridgeport, AL to the late O.J. & Gussie Middleton Vinson. He spent his life in Chattanooga and the Lookout Valley area, attended John A. Patten Elementary School, and graduated from Kirkman Technical School in 1963. Wayne was a proud American and served in the National Guard, worked for U.S. Pipe & Foundry and later for CSX Railroad, retiring with 34 years of service. He loved his time with CSX and all of his railroad brothers/buddies. Wayne was a loving, kind, unselfish, easy-going man who loved the Lord, family, Alabama Crimson Tide football and Nascar racing. He enjoyed being outside and took pride in his yard work and caring for his vehicles. Mr. Vinson was a member of Wauhatchie Methodist Church where he helped with the food pantry for many years. In addition to his parents, Wayne was preceded in death by his son, Eddie, younger brother, Gary, and grandparents, James & Tennie Middleton, Aaron Jonah & Hattie Vinson.

Survivors include his loving and devoted wife of 55 years, Betty; grandsons, Aaron Vinson & Jeremy Michael (Ethan) Walker; sister, Velma (Ted) Shinn; special sister-in-law, Carolyn Smith; brother-in-law, Bobby Phillips; several nieces & nephews; special dedicated friends, Wayne & Judy Tims and sons,

Janie Manning, Harvey Appleberry, Tony & Liz Messina, and his loving church family.

His family would like to extend grateful thanks and appreciation for dedicated service and care to Dr. David Close, Dr. David Arrowsmith, the Oncology staff at Memorial Hospital, Dr. Jeffrey Mullins, Dr. Marty Scheinberg and the Avalon Hospice unit of doctors and nurses. In lieu of flowers, please consider contributions to the Wauhatchie Methodist Church Food Pantry, 3401 Cummings Highway, Chattanooga, TN 37419.

A celebration of life will be held on Thursday, April 29th at 1:00 p.m. in the chapel of Ryan Funeral Home with Rev. Tommy Messer officiating. Interment will follow in Lakewood Memory Gardens, West. His online register book may be signed at ryanfuneralhome.net.

The family will receive friends on Thursday, April 29th from 11:00 a.m. until the service hour at Ryan Funeral Home & Crematory, Trenton, GA.

Cemetery Details

Lakewood Memory Gardens, West

3509 Cummings Rd
Chattanooga, TN 37419
(423) 894-4206

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **29**. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Ryan Funeral Home and Crematory
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A Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall

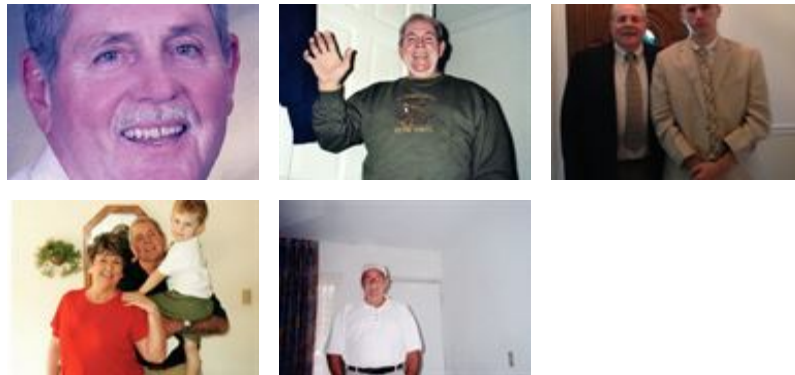


“ *Cecil Wayne Vinson*

October 09, 2023 at 03:12 AM



“ *41 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Ryan Funeral Home - April 28, 2021 at 10:28 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Cecil Wayne Vinson.*



April 26, 2021 at 10:12 AM

RB

“ Betty I am so very sorry that Wayne has passed on, for he and I shared many wonderful times together in the 60 and 70s. That was when you first started dating and later married him. You really made him walk the line, but deep down he loved it. He and I attended the NASCAR First Annual Peach Blossom 500 Hundred in Rockingham N.C. we had a tremendous time cheering on our favorite driver. Wayne was the only other person I would let drive my new Corvette Sting Ray (BLACK MAGIC) TO THE Cotton Patch and our other favorite drive and show venues. Those late night just out of the oven Krispy Kreme donuts that we two shared, that we thought would prevent that hangover and that big smile that he mostly always flashed was something I will never forget , ever. As we grew older and things changed we went our separate ways but i never forgot him and spoke to him several times in the recent past but did not learn of his medical misfortune until very recent and I was in Chattanooga to visit with him when you informed me of his passing that tragic day. My wonderful Aunt there in East Ridge also passed that same sad day. May God bless you and all whos lives he touched Wayne was a true Friend to me Forever.
Robert Babb Jr.

Robert D Babb - April 26, 2021 at 12:36 AM

VB

“ So sorry for this loss. Wayne and Betty were our neighbors for many years, and were very caring and lovably friends. Betty our prayers are with you during this time of sorrow, I know Wayne be missed by many. God be with you, Love you.

Jim, Vera, Carmen Bryant

Vera Bryant - April 24, 2021 at 09:12 AM

CS

“ This world will greatly miss his smile and infectious laughter. He was a great brother-in-law and friend. He would do anything for other people and family. He was a hard worker and love to fish and work in his yard and cars. He never met a stranger and would always make you feel special and welcomed. He is going to be terribly missed by our family and his family. He was a great man. God be with you, my sister Betty, and to Aaron. I love you all.

*Carolyn Smith
Sister to Betty Vinson, Aunt to Aaron Vinson
April 22, 2021*

Carolyn Smith - April 22, 2021 at 08:44 PM

LM

“ Betty I am so sorry for the loss of Wayne. I know he has suffered so much in the last few months. You have been a very devoted wife. He will be missed by many friends in Lookout Valley. Praying for you'll. Linda Manning

Linda M Manning - April 20, 2021 at 08:57 PM

DP

“ Dear Betty and Aaron,
We are so sorry for your loss. Wayne was a good man and will be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this very difficult time. Love you both.

Denise and Andy Park

Denise Park - April 20, 2021 at 10:39 AM