



## Ira "Bear" York

September 7, 1945 - February 9, 2026

Ira "Bear" York, 80, of Trenton, GA, went home to be with the Lord on Monday, February 9, 2026 at his home.

Mr. York was a graduate of Kirkman Technical High School in Chattanooga and was employed as an electrician for Combustion Engineering for 33 years. For ten years, in a Co-Op with Seaboard Farms, he owned and operated chicken houses, then became the owner of Crossroads Hardware for 21 years. An avid hunter & gardener, "Bear" was a long-standing member of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, and later, attended Bryant Baptist Tabernacle. He was also a founding member of the Davis Volunteer Fire Department and was a strong family man, husband, father & grand-father. Mr. York was preceded in death by his parents, Bamer & Eula Crane York, brothers, O.L. York, James Arnold York, and two infant brothers.

Left to cherish his memory is his loving wife of 60 years, Ella Godfrey York; children, Tina (Mark) Griffin of Elberta, AL, Casey (Kristy) York, James (Faith) York, & Jason (Valerie) York, all of Trenton, GA; grandchildren, Anna Griffin, Alex Buckner, Shelby Buckner, Corbin (Kara) York, Taryn York, Myah York, Logan York, Noah York, Ambreigh York, Dallas (Brianna) York, Isaac York, Alexis York, Hannah York, & Hailey York; brother, Kenneth York; his four-legged friend, "Rex" or better known as "Turkey."

Funeral services will be held on Friday, February 13th at 1:30 p.m. in the funeral home chapel with Bro. Shane Cloud & Bro. Wayne Winters officiating. Interment will follow in Lakewood Memory Gardens, South in Rossville, GA. Online condolences may be shared at [ryanfuneralhome.net](http://ryanfuneralhome.net).

The family will receive friends on Thursday, February 12th from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. and Friday from 11:30 a.m. until the service hour at Ryan Funeral Home & Crematory, Trenton, GA.

# Cemetery Details

## Lakewood Memory Gardens, South

325 Greens Lake Rd  
Rossville, GA 30741  
(706) 866-7777

# Previous Events

## Receive Friends

FEB 12. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Ryan Funeral Home & Crematory  
11415 US Hwy 11 S  
Trenton, GA 30752  
<http://ryanfuneralhome.net>

## Receive Friends

FEB 13. 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM (ET)

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Trenton, GA 30752  
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## Funeral Service

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FEB 13. 1:30 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Thank you Ira for always being a friend, your love for mankind will never be forgotten.



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**Sandra & Sandy Clark** - March 07 at 07:07 PM

CC

“ Carolyn Catchings lit a candle in memory of Ira York



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**Carolyn Catchings** - February 13 at 01:23 PM

LM

“ Dear Tina and family,

*I was saddened to learn of your father's homegoing. Knowing that you will see him again doesn't make the loss any easier. May God's comfort overwhelm you during this time and the difficult months ahead. Peace.*

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**Lori M Montgomery** - February 13 at 10:58 AM

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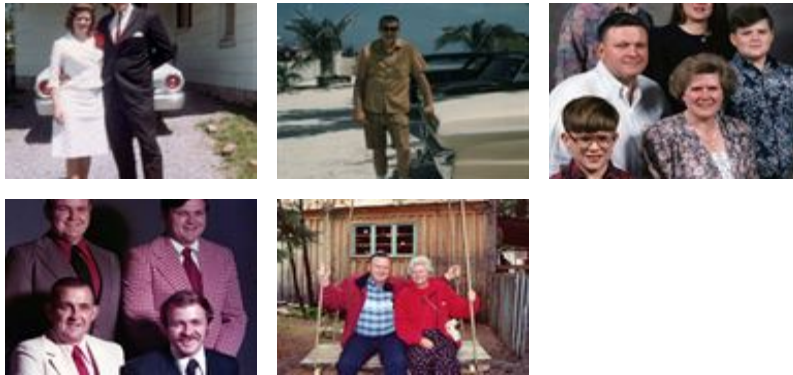
“ Su, Tracey, Fred, Amy, & Tiffany purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ira "Bear" York.



Su, Tracey, Fred, Amy, & Tiffany - February 12 at 02:37 PM



“ 299 files added to the album LifeTributes



Ryan Funeral Home - February 12 at 12:02 PM



“ Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Ira "Bear" York.



February 12 at 09:32 AM

TG

“ I will never forget my Uncle Ira's loud deep laugh, and I don't ever think I saw a time he was not smiling as I grew up and spent so many summers and nights at their home. I was always looking forward to seeing him at the 4th of July cookout at his house every year and our family Thanksgiving, he always greeted me with "hey gal" LOL and loved to give me a hard time about my Auburn tigers. He was a great example of a true family man and always showed how much he loved and was proud of all his family. It is just not going to be the same not seeing him here on Earth but, I know that I will see him again in Heaven so this is not goodbye it's just till we see you again.

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**Tonya Gentry** - February 12 at 09:08 AM

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“ Tonya G lit a candle in memory of Ira York



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**Tonya G** - February 12 at 08:55 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Ira "Bear" York.



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February 12 at 04:35 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ira "Bear" York.

February 12 at 04:35 AM



“ I built a house a few miles away from Crossroads Hardware. I went in several times for this and that and he was always helpful. I got to know his son Casey thru my sister and brother in law too. Our deepest sympathy to the family. James and Wendy Taylor

James Taylor - February 11 at 01:26 PM



“ There are so many things I can say about my daddy but the most defining thing was his love and sacrifice for his family. As our family grew, dad adored all his children, their spouses, and all his grandchildren. He was such a hard worker always sacrificing all his resources to serve us. I couldn't be more proud to be his daughter and I don't believe I could be more devastated than I am to lose him. Although I know I'll see him again, I'll miss him and feel this loss forever.

Tina Griffin - February 11 at 09:10 AM



“ conniecurtis lit a candle in memory of Clarence Ira York



conniecurtis - February 10 at 08:21 PM

FR

“ I remember Brother York as a very gracious person. He always greeted me at the hardware with "What can I do for you young man." Barbara and I love the entire family and are praying for you during this difficult time.

*Fred Russell*

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**Fred Russell** - February 10 at 08:07 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ira "Bear" York.



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February 10 at 06:36 PM

CO

“ *conniecurtis lit a candle in memory of Clarence Ira York*



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**conniecurtis** - February 10 at 05:07 PM

GM

“ *Mr York was a very lovable and kind man . He will miss by many. May he rest in peace . Prayer are with the family.*



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**Gary and Connie Mathews** - February 10 at 04:22 PM