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Alfred Samuel “Big Al” Cunningham, TSgt USAF (RET), 79, passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, March 3, 2019, after a brief illness. The family will visit with friends on Friday, March 8, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel at Watson-Hunt Funeral Home. Memorial Services will begin at 11:00 a.m. after the visitation at the funeral home.

Al was born in Southfield, Michigan, to the late Edward and Ellie Jene Martin Cunningham. He grew up in Michigan and joined the military soon after the Vietnam War began. He proudly served our country in the U.S. Air Force as a Vietnam Veteran and received the Bronze Star. While he was stationed in Sculthorpe AFB in England, he met and married the love of his life, Jean Baker. The family was stationed at various locations while he was active in the military until he retired after 20 years of service as an Aircraft Mechanic. Al then worked at Northrop for 10 years and in Civil Service at Robins Air Force Base for 6 years. He finished out his working career reprogramming cable boxes for ComSouth for 8 years. Al was very athletic, particularly in his younger years playing basketball in high school, even coaching basketball for a while, and fast pitch softball in the military. He was a “handyman supreme” who could repair and build anything. He loved to work on cars in his garage that he built, and enjoyed working on projects for and with his family. Al’s athleticism continued throughout his life, as he was always an avid golfer. He was very much a “family man” and cherished every moment spent with his family. He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Ed Cunningham and Ron Cunningham.

Left to cherish the memories of “Big Al” are his loving and devoted wife of nearly 60 years, Jean Cunningham of Perry; his sons, Ron Cunningham (Caroline) of Warner Robins, Steve Cunningham (Lisa) of Goodyear, Arizona, and Don Cunningham (Debbie) of South Haven, Michigan; eight grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; a brother, Dennis Cunningham (Gladys); his only sister, Juanita Cunningham Grant; and several nieces and nephews.

Condolences for the family may be left in the online guestbook at www.watsonhunt.com.



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Watson-Hunt Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements.






Events

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Visitation

-  **Friday**, March 8, 2019
-  10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET
-  **Watson - Hunt Funeral Home**
1208 Main Street, Perry GA 31069



Funeral

-  **Friday**, March 8, 2019
-  11:00 AM - 12:00 PM ET
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Tribute Wall

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PM

Pat Monds posted:

Jean, my prayers are with you and your family.

March 7 at 8:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Very glad we met and spent time with Al both in the US and here in the UK; in the short times we met him he created many nice memories. A lovely guy and great character who will be missed by many. Gary & Fiona xx

March 7 at 8:00 PM

VH

Viirgil Haugen posted:

Al you were the best boss that a young airman could have, which let to you being one of the best friends a guy could have. Will always remember the great times with you and Jean. We will always be there for Jean and you family. RIP Big Al. RIP

March 6 at 8:00 PM

JM

Jim And Marilyn Moody posted:

Jean and family, Marilyn and I are so sorry for your loss. Al was a nice man and will be missed greatly in Houston Springs. You are in our prayers.

March 5 at 8:00 PM

BP

Bradley Pearsall posted:

Big Al will be dearly missed by the Pearsall family. Nice to know he will be playing golf with Doug and giving Katherine crap again. Love and Prayers to Jean and "the boys".

March 5 at 8:00 PM

TH

The Staff Of Watson-Hunt Funeral Home posted:

Offering our deepest condolences during this difficult time.

March 4 at 8:00 PM



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MR

Monika Robinson posted:

Dear Jean, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I know this must be hard on you. You and the family will always be in my thoughts and prayers. Mr. Al was a wonderful person and will be greatly missed. Please accept my condolences. May his memory be eternal. Monika

March 4 at 8:00 PM

VD

Vicki Duffell posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this most difficult time.

March 4 at 8:00 PM

SM

Steve Murphy posted:

Jean, I'm so sorry to hear this sad news about Al. I have many fond memories of Houston Springs and the friendships developed there. Know that you are in my thoughts and prayers.

March 4 at 8:00 PM

BH

Bh posted:

Sorry for your loss may there be comfort in knowing that god cares for you. 1peter 5:6&7

March 4 at 8:00 PM

JG

Jackie Ledford (Grant) posted:

Mom and I are deeply sadden, what a great uncle and brother, you will be very missed XOXOXO

March 4 at 8:00 PM

JR

John & Charlene Rackley posted:

May God bless you and your family in this time of sorrow. Big Al will be missed by his breakfast buddies at McDonalds!

March 3 at 8:00 PM



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Joyce And Hap Hamilton posted:

Dear Jean, I can't tell you how sorry Hap and I are at your loss. We always enjoyed being with Al. We know he will be greatly missed. Our thoughts are with you and your family. Joyce and Hap

March 3 at 8:00 PM



Deb And Jim Cave posted:

Jean, Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family. We've shared many special moments together and Big Al will always hold a special place in our hearts. Love always and forever, Deb and Jim Cave

March 3 at 8:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Alfred by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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