



Roy Gene Williamson

September 4, 1942 - June 24, 2019

Roy Gene Williamson, 76, passed away peacefully surrounded by his loving family on Monday, June 24, 2019. Visitation will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Friday, June 28, 2019, at First Baptist Church of Perry with Funeral Services to follow at 11:00 a.m. Interment with military honors will be held in The Pavilion at Andersonville National Cemetery at 2:00 p.m.

Roy, was born in Springfield, Illinois to the late Robert Earl and Esther Mearl Calhoun Williamson. He enlisted in the Army following high school. During his time in Vietnam, Roy served as a radio operator and a cook. What began as a job grew into much more and he developed a true love of cooking. His family remembers him baking do-nuts, making homemade salsa, barbeque sauce, and chow-chow. Roy took his talents beyond the kitchen, where he tended to his tomato and pepper garden. He told his family that if you place matchsticks in the dirt it'll make the peppers hotter and he would usually get a stranger to do a taste test. Roy spent time at Robins Air Force Base in civil service as an aircraft mechanic, primarily focusing on the wiring in the tail of the C-130 aircraft carrier, and then went on to finish his career working with Lockheed-Martin in multiple states. After he was officially retired, he created beautiful handmade walking canes out of walnut. Roy was an avid reader and an amazing story-teller. He always asked "Can I keep your smile?" wherever he went. Roy was a proud member of the American Legion post 172 and a graduate of DeVry University. Along with his parents, Roy was preceded in death by his loving wife of fifty years, Malinda Barnett Williamson; his siblings, Richard Williamson, David Williamson, and Eleanor Williamson.

Left to cherish the memories they shared with Papa Roy are his sons and daughters-in-law, Michael and Shari Williamson of McDonough, and Robbie and Regina Williamson of Bonaire; his grandchildren, Hunter Lyn Parker (Andrew), Zac Williamson, Ben Curry, Brandon Williamson, Leigh Williamson, and Molly Williamson; his siblings, Dottie Milner (Chuck), and Mary Anne Andrews; his sister-in-law, Donna Williamson; and several nieces and nephews.

Condolences for the family may be left in our online guestbook at <http://www.watsonhunt.c>

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

Cemetery

Andersonville National Cemetery

496 Cemetery Road
Andersonville, GA, 31711

Events

JUN 28 **Visitation** 10:00AM - 11:00AM
First Baptist Church - Perry
1105 Main Street, Perry, GA, US, 31069

JUN 28 **Funeral** 11:00AM - 12:00PM
First Baptist Church - Perry
1105 Main Street, Perry, GA, US, 31069

JUN 28 **Interment** 02:00PM - 03:00PM
Andersonville National Cemetery
496 Cemetery Road, Andersonville, GA, US,
31711

Comments



“ Michael and Robbie, I am sorry for your loss. It is never easy losing a mother or father.

Your former neighbor and mother of Bob And Lori Cook,
Sandra Campbell

Sandra Campbell - June 28, 2019 at 11:42 AM



“ May God guide you, may He give you strength, and may Roy's memories be a memorial to his life.

Tom and Barbara Wilkins

Tom Wilkins - June 27, 2019 at 08:01 PM



“ My sincere condolences to the family. At John 11:11, the Bible likens death to a peaceful sleep. I truly hope that scripture can provide some peace at this time.

hb - June 27, 2019 at 11:56 AM



“ We are so sorry to hear of Roy's passing. Our prayers are with his precious family! We heard many of his stories he loved to share!

Stan and Cathie Candler - June 27, 2019 at 10:30 AM



“ Mr. Roy was really good with a camera. He took a few pictures at the American Legion meetings. He will be missed .

Tommy Wood - June 26, 2019 at 03:50 PM



“ I loved your daddy, he was so precious. The games will never be the same without him! I'll miss the stories he told me that I couldn't hear over the game :)
Praying for all of you.
Angi Bean

Angi Bean - June 26, 2019 at 01:07 PM



“ Karen Rogers lit a candle in memory of Roy Gene Williamson



Karen Rogers - June 26, 2019 at 11:49 AM



“ On behalf of myself and the Perry Senior Center, we will miss Roy and his kindness and thoughtfulness towards others.

Karen Rogers - June 26, 2019 at 11:51 AM