



## Bobby Gene Storey

October 22, 1939 - January 10, 2021

Bobby Gene Storey of Chelsea, Alabama, went home to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on January 10, 2021, at the age of 81. He was born on October 22, 1939 in Big Spring, Texas to the late Everett E. Storey and Annie Ruth Walton Storey. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Laura Lee McMahan Storey; his son, Mark Dwayne Storey; and his sister, Georgia Faye Storey Adams. Left to cherish his memory are his wife, Debra Stone Storey; daughter and son-in-law, Maria Lee Storey Tarry and Tommy Shane Tarry; son, Michael Ray Storey; grandchildren, Andrew Tyler Tarry, Daryl Nicole Storey, and Joshua Byron Storey; brother and sister-in-law, Raymond Edward Storey and Betty Gail Brookes Storey; aunts, Barbara Sue Walton Filleman and Betty Jane Walton Dixon; mother-in-law, Dolores Walker Stone; sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Karen Kay Stone Townsend and Edward Mitchell Townsend; and beloved nieces and nephews.

Bob retired after a 30-plus year career at IBM as a Systems Engineer. He loved his church and faithfully worshipped and served the Lord at Grace Presbyterian Church in Chelsea. He enjoyed many hobbies including gardening, cooking, woodworking, and painting. Most of all, he loved helping other people.

Graveside services will be held at Pinelawn Gardens Cemetery in Columbiana, Alabama on Thursday, January 14 at 11:00 a.m. Reverend Mark Horn will be officiating. Services directed by Bolton Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Grace Presbyterian Church, 109 Foothills Parkway, Suite 104, Chelsea, AL 35043, (<http://www.gracechelsea.org>) or to your favorite charity.

Please sign online condolences at <http://www.boltonfuneralhome.com>.

# Cemetery

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## Pinelawn Gardens

207 Hwy 47 South  
Columbiana, AL, 35051

# Events

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<b>JAN</b>	<b>Graveside Service</b>	11:00AM
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	Pinelawn Gardens	
	207 Hwy 47 South, Columbiana, AL, US, 35051	

# Comments

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“ Bob was my cousin and I remember he used to stop by while working for IBM and visit my parents in Orange, California. I also saw him at one or two Walton family reunions. Many years passed with little contact but recently in the past month we met over Zoom. I interviewed him about his life and I shared some of my life with him . I now treasure that time and feel so blessed to spend that time with him.

Gaye Varnay

**Gaye Varnay** - January 13, 2021 at 11:28 PM

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“ I first met Bobby when we were in the 4th grade and went all through school together. He married my best friend and was so devoted to caring for her when she had MS. School seemed to be so easy for Bobby but his encouragement to those of us who found it a challenge at times was always appreciated.

**LaRae Browne** - January 12, 2021 at 08:09 PM

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“ I was very blessed to have known this whole family, but at the time didn't realize how lucky I was because I was just a young teenager. I think often about my first airplane ride it was with Bobby, Maria and Mike to California. Followed by the best vacation ever. I was an average student but not great with math. I remember when Bobby was out of town he would help Maria on the phone with things (not that she really needed much help) but then he would help me with my math, I was so thankful and he was so patient. I still have some wonderful pictures that he took in the years that we were around the family. Bobby reached out to me on fb several months ago and we had a couple of reuniting conversations, I'm so glad we did!

**Trudie** - January 12, 2021 at 07:46 PM



“ I'm Bob's aunt Betty, we were 9 months apart in age. We were playmates as children for a time, shared family news and gatherings through the years, shared our faith as we aged and grew on our journey, shared our pictures, written family stories of our lives, loves, children, grandchildren. Most of you probably know Bob loved to invest time and effort into this families genealogy. He shared our journeys with all of us. We are all thankful that God chose us to be such a wonderful part of Bob's life. He is missed, but what a glad reunion we will all have one day. Aunt Betty

**Betty Dixon (Bob's mother and I are sis** - January 13, 2021 at 04:48 PM



“ So sorry to hear about Bobby's death. His family lived next door to me after we were out of school. He was a good and will be missed. Nancy Horner Pierce

**Nancy J Pierce** - January 13, 2021 at 06:36 PM



“ Ed and Karen purchased the Love's Journey for the family of Bobby Gene Storey.



**Ed and Karen** - January 12, 2021 at 07:10 PM



“ My dad married his high school sweetheart. He graduated high school with salutatorian honors with my mom in a runner up position. My grandmother always said that mom threw the contest, but she would never cop to it. As they started their life together they discovered that she had MS and so he changed jobs, leaving a promising career with McDonald Douglas for a regional systems engineer position with IBM that would allow them to return to Amarillo where extended family could help with the trials to come. His love and devotion, selfless and complete, sets a very high bar that I still aspire to.

**Michael Storey** - January 12, 2021 at 03:03 PM

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“ My whole career was started with two distinct events where he had a profound impact in my very young life. I was probably in 6th grade and he organized an outing for my Cub Scout troop to his offices downtown where they proceeded to teach a rowdy bunch of boys the Hollerith code used on punch cards. It was a simple activity but it sparked my imagination about how to “talk” to a computer. Then when I was in Jr. High school he took me into the local IBM office and taught me this new “easy to learn” programming language “basic”. Together we wrote a program to play craps, punched up the cards and ran the program. I think we ran that program 20 times, playing the game. I thought it was the coolest thing ever, so when my high school introduced a programming class I was one of the first students to sign up. Computer Science was his gift to me, and it’s true what they say, love what you do and you’ll never work a day in your life. He introduced me to a passion that has driven my whole life’s work. I stand squarely on his shoulders in all that I accomplish in life.

**Michael Storey** - January 12, 2021 at 02:51 PM



“ A fine gentlemen and awesome classmate in high school. He was two grades ahead of me and always took time to help me with algebra. I admired him greatly. Later in life, his dad (Capt. Storey) at the police department became my friend. It is clear to me that Bobby Storey has a place in heaven. Blessings upon the family and friends. --Larry Todd Broaddus

**Larry Todd** - January 13, 2021 at 10:11 AM