



Thomas "Pap" Ray Morris

February 4, 1931 - September 22, 2020

Morris, Thomas Ray "Pap", age 89, of Indian Springs, Alabama passed away on September 22, 2020. Visitation will be held on Saturday, September 26, 2020 from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. at Bolton Funeral Home in Columbiana, Alabama. The funeral service will follow at 11:00 a.m. at the funeral home with Dr. Billy Skinner officiating. A graveside service for family only will follow at Old Chapel Cemetery in Wilsonville, Alabama. Bolton Funeral Home is directing.

Pap is preceded in death by his parents: Tom and Annie Morris; and first wife: Jo Anne Howell Morris. He is survived by his wife of 42 years: Rose Marie Morris; children: Ginger Hodges (Wayne), Tony Hamlett, and Lori Hamlett Herbert (Ken); grandchildren: Morris Hodges (Morgan), Nicole Goode (Jason), and Lauren Lowry (Jerry); great grandchildren: Lincoln Hodges, Elle Hodges, Clark Goode, Pippi Lowry and Penny Lowry; brothers and sisters: Jake Morris, Charlie Morris (Connie), Wanda Billingsley (Rod), Jane Dillard, Nancy Ray (Kenneth), Becky Glass, and Tommie Ann Edwards (Paul); and many nieces and nephews.

Pap graduated from Shelby County High School in 1949. He received multiple football scholarships and attended Jones Junior College and graduated from Mississippi State University. Following 2 years in the Army he played professional football in the Canadian Football League for the Edmonton Eskimos. From 1957 - 1975, he coached football at Memphis State University, Mississippi State University, Tulane University, and Auburn University. From

1976 - 1996 he served as Dean of Student Affairs at Nunnelley State Technical College in Childersburg, Alabama.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made in memory of Pap Morris to the "Old Chapel Community Cemetery Fund", 449 Newsome Road, Wilsonville Alabama 35186.

Please sign online condolences at www.boltonfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Old Chapel Cemetery

1912 County Road 9
Wilsonville, AL 35186

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 26. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Bolton Funeral Home
207 Hwy 47 South
PO Box 4
Columbiana, AL 35051
(205) 669-3179


Funeral Service

SEP 26. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

SB

“ *Pap Morris was a great guy. He was one of my Father’s closest friends! I always enjoyed their stories. I roomed with his daughter, Ginger my freshman year at Auburn and Pap was coaching at Auburn. We had many fun times and happy memories. Rest in Peace* 

Suzanne Cole Boyle - January 03, 2023 at 10:35 PM

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“ *I had the opportunity to play at Memphis State while Coach Morris was coaching there. He was an excellent coach and a good man. He had a positive impact on numerous young people.*
Don Coffey

Don Coffey - October 01, 2020 at 05:31 PM

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“ *Always had a smile on his face, told good stories, left a lasting impression of a good solid human being, loved Rose with all his heart, the good memories are numerous. Best memory was Pap dancing at our wedding with Rose back in 2007 like they were at the high school prom. Touched my heart with his presence every time I saw him.*

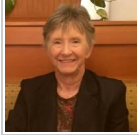
Ann-Marie Skinner

Ann-Marie Skinner - September 27, 2020 at 11:20 AM

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“ *Super Guy!! Rest In Peace*
Dave & Louise Holland

Louise Holland - September 24, 2020 at 02:34 PM



“ *French Ell Lansford lit a candle in memory of Thomas "Pap" Ray Morris*



French Ell Lansford - September 24, 2020 at 01:36 PM



“ *Sentimental Dreams was purchased for the family of Thomas "Pap" Ray Morris.*



September 24, 2020 at 11:30 AM