



Alvie Gene Ponder

November 7, 1939 - June 3, 2026

Graveside service with military honors for Alvie Gene Ponder, 86 of Piedmont will be Monday, June 08, 2026 at 2:00 PM. at Piedmont Memory Gardens with Thompson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements. The family will receive friends Monday at the funeral home from noon until 1:46 p.m. Mr. Ponder passed away Wednesday, June 03, 2026, at his home. He is survived by his loving wife of 48 years, Mary Elaine Ponder; children, Gene "Scooter" Ponder, and Jenna Ponder; step-son, Bert Waldrep; eight grandchildren; Anna Pace, Canyon Pace, Ellen Ponder, Jacob Ponder, Samuel Ponder, Rebekah Nance, Zackary Waldrep, and Robert Waldrep; five great-grandchildren, Goldie Pace, Bennett Dodson, Wrenlee Nance, Hudson Nance, Christie Deas; siblings, Kammy Ponder Gilmer (Chuck), Larry Ponder (Carolyn), and Terry Ponder (Deb); and several nieces and nephews. Mr. Ponder was a native of Calhoun County and a member of Northside Baptist Church. He retired from the United States Air Force with 23 years of service. He served four tours in Vietnam and was the recipient of the Air Force Longevity Service Ribbon/ 40/LC, National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Air Force Outstanding Unit Award w/10LC, Republic Of Vietnam Gallantry Cross w/device, Republic Of Vietnam Campaign Medal and the Air Force Good Conduct Medal. He retired from Anniston Army Depot with 25 years of service. He spent his retirement enjoying his family and spending time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was an avid Alabama Football fan and enjoyed the outdoors. You could find him every morning at home watching current events

and drinking his coffee. Mr. Ponder was preceded in death by his parents, Worth and Joyce Ponder.

Upcoming Events

Visitation

JUN 8. 12:00 PM - 1:45 PM (CT)

Thompson Funeral Home & Crematory
6340 Old Piedmont-Gadsden Hwy
Piedmont, AL 36272
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Graveside Service

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Piedmont Memory Gardens
236 Vigo Road
Piedmont, AL 36272