



Cecil Burns

October 4, 1930 - February 5, 2025

Funeral service for Cecil Burns, 94, of the Rabbittown community will be Saturday, February 8, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. at Thompson Funeral Home with Mr. Chris Tillery officiating. Burial will follow in the Rabbittown Cemetery. The family will receive friends at the funeral home Saturday from 12 – 2 p.m. Mr. Burns passed away on Wednesday, February 5, 2025 at his home. He is survived by his wife, Margie Burns; daughter, Gayle (Nick) Williamson; grandson, Jason (Melinda) Williamson; great granddaughter, Katelyn Williamson, great great granddaughter, Gracelynn. He also is survived by three step children and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife of 54 years, Betty Jean Burns; parents, Henry and Sarah Burns; sisters, Blanche Warren, Maylene Headrick and Hazel Coppock; and brothers, Carl David Burns and Marshall Burns. Pallbearers will be family and friends. Mr. Burns was a lifelong resident of the Rabbittown community and was a member of the White Plains Church of Christ. He retired from the U. S Forestry Service, Shoal Creek District of the Talladega National Forest with 30 years of service. He also portrayed Smokey Bear in the Heflin area for the U. S. Forest Service. Mr. Burns enjoyed bird hunting, fishing, gardening, riding around and talking to people. The family would like to extend their special appreciation to his caregivers, Michelle Amos and Peggy Paris.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 8. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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Burial

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Rabbittown Baptist Church Cemetery
2450 Rabbittown Road
Piedmont, AL

Tribute Wall

KP

“ Karen Parks lit a candle in memory of Cecil Burns



Karen Parks - March 03, 2025 at 08:36 PM

JP

“ Gayle, I am so sorry for your loss. Praying for you and your family. Love Judy Hutto Prince

Judy Prince - February 07, 2025 at 11:05 AM

SK

“ Susan King lit a candle in memory of Cecil Burns



Susan King - February 07, 2025 at 02:17 AM

SK

“ I had the pleasure of sitting with Mr. Cecil a couple years ago. He was such a joy to me. You will be missed Sir. Rest easy 🕊️🙏



Susan King - February 07, 2025 at 02:17 AM

SS

“ So sorry Gayle & family,from Wayne & Sarah Shelley.

Sarah Shelley - February 06, 2025 at 07:27 PM

GS

“ Cecil was a dear friend of mine. We worked together at the Forest Service in Heflin. He was a good person. He never got my last name right 😊. He would say Gloria "Stephenson" instead of Stephens. I talked to him on the phone a few months ago and he remembered me and we laughed and talked about old times. I will miss you Cecil. Rest in Peace. ***Gloria Stephens your friend.

Gloria Stephens - February 06, 2025 at 02:50 PM