



David Clarence Ryan

November 8, 1944 - June 10, 2020

David Clarence Ryan, 75, of Guntersville, Alabama, passed away Wednesday, June 10, 2020 at Shepherds Cove Hospice in Albertville, Alabama. David was a 1964 graduate of Greensboro High School in Greensboro, Alabama. He proudly served in the U.S. Air Force and was a Vietnam Veteran. In 1975 he graduated from Troy University where he later earned a Master's Degree in counseling. Mr. Ryan worked for the State of Alabama as a State Jail Inspector subsequently moving to Guntersville in February, 1975, to serve as Pardon and Parole Supervisor for Marshall County. In June he married Jan Horn of Troy Alabama. After moving to Guntersville, Mr. Ryan coached Guntersville Rec Center Football and Baseball teams for many years. He loved seeing his former players who lovingly referred to him as "Coach". David served as a past president of the Guntersville Lions Club where he had been a member since 1975. He also was proud of his service in the Guntersville Booster Club also serving as a past president. David enjoyed playing Santa at Christmas and opening his home to children throughout Marshall County. He loved helping his wife with Girl Scout trips and was fondly remembered as "Papa Dave", a name he cherished.

After retirement, David enjoyed working with the Marshall County Counsel on Aging delivering meals and transporting Senior Citizens to and from the Union Grove Senior Center. His love for the courthouse and atmosphere at the courthouse continued while he served as a bailiff for Judge Liles Burke and as

a cashier at the Courthouse Grill.

Mr. Ryan is survived by his wife Jan Horn Ryan, his "boys" Kokomo and Mr. Little, sister Linda Ryan Kirk (Sherill) of Marion, Alabama, brother and sister in law Jim and Donna Horn of Troy Alabama; four nephews; three nieces; four great nephews, and two great nieces. He was honored to have many loved ones who chose to call him "Uncle Dave". Mr. Ryan was preceded in death by his parents Clarence and Marie Ryan, brother Johnny Ryan, great niece Ella Boswell Smith, parents-in-law Bill and Hortense Horn. visitation will be held Friday evening, June 12, 2020, at Guntersville Memorial Chapel between 5 and 7 p.m. A grave side service will be held Saturday, June 13, 2020 at Oakwood Cemetery in Greensboro, Alabama at 2 p.m.

Pallbearers: John Ryan, Mitchell Ryan, Josh Ryan, Browder Horn, Gage horn, Larry Chapman, Wayne Altom, Richard Grimes, Mike Little and Kevin Stubblefield. Memorial may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital 262 Danny Thomas PL Memphis, TN 38105

Cemetery Details

Oakwood

Hwy 14
Greensboro, AL 36744

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 12. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Guntersville Memorial Chapel
1601 Henry Street
Guntersville, AL 35976
(256) 582-7931
guntersvillememorial@gmail.com

Graveside

JUN 13. 2:00 PM (CT)

Oakwood
Hwy 14
Greensboro, AL 36744

Tribute Wall

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“ David, Linda, and Johnny and their parents were my neighbors on College Street in Greensboro and, as with my family, active in Greensboro First United Methodist Church and Greensboro High School. David's father, Clarence, was the leader of the Greensboro Lions Club and known to many as "Lion Ryan", and so it was no surprise to read in David's obituary of his own leadership of the Guntersville Lions Club. The Ryan family was held with much respect and appreciation in Greensboro. I conclude from David's obituary that the same can be said in Guntersville. My condolences to his family and friends.

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