



Bobby Byrd

August 1, 1935 - August 27, 2017

Bobby Shell Byrd, age 82, of Milledgeville passed away in his home after an extended illness. Born in Tampa, FL he moved to Macon, GA at age 8. Funeral Services will be held on Wednesday, August 30, 2017 at 3 PM. Burial will be held in Heritage Memorial Park. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Wednesday from 2 PM until the service hour.

Bobby was born to Ulysses and Ethel Howard Byrd on August 1, 1935. He married Patricia Smith on June 1, 1955. After they married, they attended Norman College, graduating in 1963. While attending Mercer, Bobby worked for Bibb County Department of Family and Children's Services. After this graduation from Mercer, Bobby went on to earn a Master's Degree in Social Work from Tulane University in 1965. In addition to his Master's Degree, he earned many areas of certification: licensed clinical social worker, National Association of Social Work, and Academy of Certified Social Workers. He spent his career serving others as a State of Georgia Field Representative of the Department of Family and Children's Services in the Waycross area, Milledgeville YDC, Central State Hospital, and the Georgia War Veteran's Home.

Bobby was preceded in death by his parents, Ulysses and Ethel Byrd, and a brother Kenneth Byrd. He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Patricia Byrd; He also leaves a son, Rodney Byrd, and a daughter, Marde (Glenn) Ray, and

sister, Betti (Dan) Hodges. He had three grandchildren, Matt (Taylor) Ray, Jared Ray, and Rachel Ray, as well as two great-grandchildren, Abigail and Lily Ray.

Bobby was a member of First Baptist Church of Milledgeville, Milledgeville Lions Club, and was an avid woodworker. He will be missed by those faithful friends he leaves behind, Doris and Doyle Boyd, and caregivers, Erma Hall, Mary Ritchie, Joann Butts, and Tonya Wilson. Many thanks to the service of Kindred Hospice. Memorial contributions may be sent to Kindred Hospice, 319 Margie Drive Warner Robins, GA 31088.

Matthew 25:21

Cemetery Details

Heritage Memorial Park

371 Log Cabin Road
Milledgeville, GA 31061
(478) 452-2148
staff@williamsfuneralhome.net
<https://www.williamsfuneralhome.net>

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 30. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Williams Funeral Home & Crematory - Milledgeville
1670 N. Jefferson St.
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Tribute Wall

CF

“ *May the God of all comfort give you strength, hope, and peace in this sad time. He cares very deeply about the pain you feel and the loss you just experienced. Philippians 4:6,7. So sorry for your loss.*

Calandra Farley - September 06, 2017 at 09:13 AM

PC

“ *Rodney Byrd we are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and the family. If there is anything we can do please let us know! You will remain in our thoughts and prayers! Much love and our hearts go out to you and your family. Paula and Benji Cartwright*



Paula Cartwright - August 31, 2017 at 08:50 PM

SM

“ *Scott & Lisa Meyer lit a candle in memory of Bobby Byrd*



Scott & Lisa Meyer - August 31, 2017 at 07:33 AM

SH

“ *Rodney, I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your Father, you are an awesome person and I think a lot of you. I love You! Susan Henson*

Susan Henson - August 30, 2017 at 01:07 PM

TD

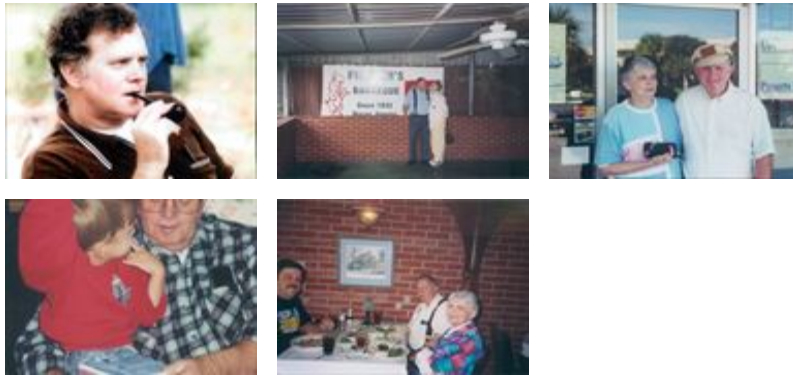
“ *Travis & Brenda Deal lit a candle in memory of Bobby Byrd*



Travis & Brenda Deal - August 30, 2017 at 12:31 PM

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“ 46 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Williams Funeral Homes and Crematory - August 29, 2017 at 05:21 PM

MT

“ *So sorry to hear of his passing, I worked with him at Central State Hospital, a kind and gentle man , as to his woodworking ability I have a state of Ga carving that he made for my son when he was in grade school.*

Mildred Thomas - August 29, 2017 at 04:06 PM

KH

“ Keith & Lynn Henderson lit a candle in memory of Bobby Byrd



Keith & Lynn Henderson - August 29, 2017 at 12:21 PM

SB

“ Sand Boutwell lit a candle in memory of Bobby Byrd



Sand Boutwell - August 29, 2017 at 12:18 PM

RB

“ Robin Brooks lit a candle in memory of Bobby Byrd



Robin Brooks - August 29, 2017 at 09:36 AM

JH

“ Judy Hudson lit a candle in memory of Bobby Byrd



Judy Hudson - August 29, 2017 at 08:55 AM

JH

“ Rodney, I am so sorry to hear this. I was crazy about your mom and dad. They are good people. I hope God will wrap his loving arms around you and your family and help you get through this. Again, I am so sorry. If you need anything, please let me know ok. Please give your mom a big hug for me. And tell her I am sorry.

Judy Hudson - August 29, 2017 at 08:54 AM

RD

“ Robby And Julie Deason lit a candle in memory of Bobby Byrd



Robby and Julie Deason - August 29, 2017 at 08:48 AM

DF

“ Marde I am so sorry for you. Loss. Praying piece and comfort during this difficult time



Delores & Floyd - August 28, 2017 at 11:35 PM



“ *Extending my deepest sympathy... Rodney, I was so sorry to learn of the passing of your Dad. Whenever I lose one I've treasured, I take comfort in this. The promise of eternal life with our departed becomes the gift of hope. We will all be reunited one day in our heavenly home. I will be praying for peace & comfort for you & your family now & in the days to come.*

*Alice L. Hunnicutt
Cumming, GA*

Alice Hunnicutt - August 28, 2017 at 06:28 PM



Rodney , so sorry for the loss of your dad. Kenny and I send our best and love to you and the family.

waylogene h meyer - August 29, 2017 at 11:33 AM



“ *Alice Hunnicutt lit a candle in memory of Bobby Byrd*



Alice Hunnicutt - August 28, 2017 at 06:25 PM