



Bruce Alan Thompson

March 30, 2020

Bruce Alan Thompson - known to most as Butch - left this world the morning of Monday, March 30, 2020 without warning. Thank you all for your thoughts and prayers. They are truly felt and are sustaining us through these rough waters.

Butch grew up in Trussville, Alabama, graduating from Hewitt Trussville High School in 1961 with his dog, Rip, by his side. His love of dogs followed him throughout his life. He grew up in Andy's garage working on cars and under the sun in the pits at the races. He devoted his pattern making career to USCO Power Equipment Corporation for 31 years before retiring. After retirement, he dedicated his time to his family.

We met in 1963 and were married for 56 years. What an honor it was to be his wife; to watch his heart soften and grow with each new generation. He was not a man of many words but when he spoke, you listened because he was wiser than his years and one of the most intelligent people to walk this earth. If something was broke, you know Butch would fix it. He could often be seen in the community on his daily walk with his dogs or checking in with his neighbors. He did not say, "I love you," often but showed you through his actions - we have no doubt how much he loved us all.

Bruce was preceded in death by his mother, "Mama," Gladys Powell Thompson; Survived by his wife, DiAn Higdon Thompson; their dog, Millie; his four children, Kathy (Mike) Fulmer, Patty (Joe) Davis, Bryan (Leslie) Thompson, David (Sally) Thompson; his grandchildren, Jessica (Tommy

Gilreath) Robinson, Amanda (Jacob) McCurdy, Randi (Josh Avant) Miller, Zac Thompson, Autumn Thompson, Gray Thompson, Lucas Thompson; his great-grandchildren, Austin Miller, Michael Johnson, Cade Miller, Mia Avant, Peyton McCurdy; his brother, Louis James (Kay) Thompson; his niece, Phyllis Smith; his great niece, Kalei Graham; and honorary family, Andy & Mary Ann Vann, and the family of Phillip & Shirley Dunaway.

In his younger days, his friends called him "Ambrose," meaning immortal, to live forever - and he will. There won't ever be another one like him. We thank God he was ours.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Sad to hear this news. Butch was a friend and a mentor. Always had a great sense of humor too. So sorry for the loss to you and your family Dian.*

*Respect,
Alec Monroe*

Alec Monroe - April 11, 2020 at 08:33 AM

BT

“ *So sorry for your loss DiAn and family. I know your pain and wish you comfort in time. It is never easy losing someone you have been with your entire life. Thinking of you at this time.*

Brenda Talley

Brenda Talley - April 02, 2020 at 11:18 PM

WG

“ *So sorry for your loss of your loved one. May God be with the family and give you peace! Remember the precious memories and all the good times. Love and Prayers!*

Margaret and Watson Gaither

WATSON GAITHER - April 02, 2020 at 08:28 PM

DO

“ *Oh how I loved that man. He fixed all kinds of things for me at work from jewelry to my kitchen drawer. He was so kind to me when I lost part of my thumb. He had really good advice because you see he had lost some of his too. One of the kindest and most generous person I have ever know. You will be missed my dear friend Debbie Oden*

Debbie Oden - April 02, 2020 at 08:27 PM

ST

“ *Butch will always be remembered as our neighborhood watch. Always checked how we were doing and keeping us informed on news in the neighborhood. We will miss him. Prayers for the family.*

Sue and Tammy - April 02, 2020 at 07:14 PM

NM

Dian, you are in my thoughts and prayers. God bless you and your family.

Nancy McKinney - April 05, 2020 at 08:27 PM