



## James Franklin Ray

August 23, 1943 - July 28, 2022

James Franklin Ray (AKA Bigdad), 78, of Birmingham, AL, passed away on July 28, 2022. James was born on August 23, 1943 in Nashville, TN. James served in the United State Marine Corps from 1960-1964 and later joined the Army National Reserve. He was a member of the American Legion Post 205, Clay, AL.

He loved riding motorcycles, fixing up cars and spending time with people. He enjoyed making people laugh, growing tomatoes and sitting by the lake. He lived life to the fullest and will be missed by many. In his own words, "It's been fun!".

He is survived by his four children, Andrea Ray, James Ray (Kelly), Ginger Lovvorn (Joe Johnson) and Crystal Self (Brandon); his precious grandchildren, Logan, Olivia, Callee, Elle and Everly. He is also survived by the mother(s) of his children, Sara Ray and Vanessa Earle (Mike); and his beloved dog, Scooby.

Psalms 23

In lieu of flowers we are asking for people to make donations, in tribute, to a couple of the places he cared about.

Serving You Ministries

<https://www.servingyou.org/donate>

Three Hots and a Cot

[Cotsforvets.org/donate](https://Cotsforvets.org/donate)

# Previous Events

## Receive Friends

AUG 3. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Deerfoot Memorial Funeral Home  
5360 Deerfoot Parkway  
Trussville, AL 35173

## Funeral Service

AUG 3. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of James Franklin Ray.* ”



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August 01, 2022 at 11:10 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Franklin Ray.* ”



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July 31, 2022 at 10:02 AM