



Richard Beard Jr.

August 15, 1928 - May 8, 2019

Richard Beard Jr., age 90, of Trussville, Alabama passed away on Wednesday, May 8, 2019. Mr. Beard was born on August 15, 1928 in Albany Georgia and was the son of the late Alabama Commissioner of Agriculture & Industries, Mr. Richard Beard Sr. of Montgomery and the late Emma Pope Beard. Richard was married to the late Joann Nicholas Beard of Nashville, Tennessee and was also preceded in death by his brother, Edward Ewing Beard. He is survived by his daughter, Mary Beard Foster and her husband, Rick Foster of Trussville, Alabama; son, Richard Beard III of Los Angeles, CA.; grandson, Harrison Cole Foster and his wife, Melissa Lovvorn Foster of Trussville, AL. Also, he had two dedicated employees of 25 years plus, Tracy Campbell of Odenville and Robert Layfield of Trussville.

Mr. Beard was a graduate of Marion Institute High School in 1946 and Jr. College in 1948. He lettered in football both in high school and college and attended LSU and Auburn universities, where he was a member of Kappa Sigma. He served in the U.S. Air Force from 1951 -1952 and after his discharge he managed Glendale Farms in Trussville with his father from 1953 to 1964 and was the owner of Glendale farms from 1973 to this present day. He was twice chosen by the Jaycees as "Jefferson County's Most Outstanding Young Farmer in 1958 and 1959. He served as President of the Jefferson County Cattleman's Association and director of the Jefferson County Poultry Association. Mr. Beard was a member of First Baptist Church of Trussville and was the President of Trussville Civitan Club in 1961, President of the

Trussville Chamber of Commerce in 1961, Trussville Councilman from 1960-1964, member of the Utility Board 1961-1964, President of the Marion Institute Board of Trustees in the early 1970's, managed and owned Glendale Mill's and Supply from 1964-1992. In 1968, he wanted to stay in agriculture, so he purchased a soy bean farm, Scooba Land and Cattle Company in Mississippi. Later in 1973, he purchased the cattle farm operation of Glendale Farms in Trussville from his late father and was a top notch breeder in Limousin and Black Angus cattle. Richard loved the cattle industry and contributed so much to this field.

The family will receive friends on Monday, May 13, 2019 from 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM at Deerfoot Memorial Funeral Home with funeral service to follow at 2:00 PM. Rev Buddy Champion will be officiating.

Donations may be made to:samaritanspurse.org or the Disabled American Veterans @ dav.org

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 13. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Deerfoot Memorial Funeral Home
5360 Deerfoot Parkway
Mailing Address PO Box 118
Trussville, AL 35173
(205) 655-3444
<https://www.deerfootmemorialfuneralhome.com/>

Service

MAY 13. 2:00 PM (CT)

Deerfoot Memorial Funeral Home
5360 Deerfoot Parkway PO Box 118
Trussville, AL 35173

Tribute Wall

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“ *Our heartfelt sympathy to the entire Beard family during this most difficult time! Richard was a blessing to everyone who's life he touched; fond memories will stay with us till we meet again! May he rest in the loving arms of Our Lord! Mary and Tommy Haynes*

Mary Haynes - May 14, 2019 at 06:18 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Richard Beard Jr..*



May 13, 2019 at 07:59 AM

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“ *I'll always remember the good times we had fishing here in Louisiana and kind and generous person that he was ! Robert and Barbara Charbonnet*

Robert Charbonnet - May 11, 2019 at 09:29 PM



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Deerfoot Memorial Funeral Home - May 11, 2019 at 11:59 AM