



Roland Eugene Higdon

November 20, 1941 - September 11, 2025

Roland Eugene Higdon, age 83 of Argo, passed away into the arms of Jesus on September 11, 2025. He was a devout Christian who longed to be with Mrs. Pat the last three weeks.

He is survived by his daughter, Cynthia.

He was preceded in death by his wife Patricia Higdon and daughter Patricia Ann Higdon; parents James Samuel and Lovena Estelle Higdon, sisters Myrtle Jones and Ruby Williams, brothers Daniel Higdon and Billy Wayne Higdon.

He is survived by sisters Janice Cole and Charlene Keith (Don) and brother James Alford Higdon. Also, survived by sisters-in-law Joan Etheridge, Sherry Owens and Theresa Bell (Mike), brother-in-law Danny Gilbert (Jennifer).

He was born in Hanceville, Alabama and later moved with his parents to Trussville. The family later moved to Springville and he graduated from Springville High School. After high school, he attended Alverson-Draughon College and earned a diploma in Business Automation. On December 17, 1964, he enlisted in the U.S. Army and was stationed at Fort Polk, Louisiana and was a member of the Army Honor Guard. He then transferred to Fort Lewis, Washington where he was a member of the Polar Strike Way Below

Zero Club completing military exercises at -47 degrees. He also completed the 100 mile ski march in Cross Country Alaska. He was an avid snow skier who loved the cold. He then was sent to Vietnam as a soldier in the Vietnam War earning a Vietnam Service Medal as an M-14 Sharpshooter. He was a very proud veteran who loved God and country. He would always tell everyone he met "He went for his country so they can be free. He would follow up with I fought for freedom!"

After Vietnam, he worked in the insurance business. Then he met the love of his life, Mrs. Pat on a friend's porch and their love story started. They married May 25, 1969 in Trussville. He became a machinist and started a new career at Vulcan Rivet and Bolt, later at Atlas Pattern, and numerous years at Irondale Custom Machine until his retirement. After retirement his days were spent with Mrs. Pat, working on lawnmowers and cars, cutting grass, reading the Bible and singing gospel hymns. He enjoyed watching the news and the military channel while eating popsicles, ice cream, pork skins. Ritz peanut butter crackers and bananas, Every morning and every evening he greeted Paul Jennings and the kids on the school bus, He would later greet everyone as they came in from work along Blackjack Road as he sat on the porch.

He was a member of Argo Baptist Church and taught the adult Sunday School class for over 20 years. He was inseparable from Mrs. Pat even in the last few weeks they had adjacent hospital rooms. His world was shattered when Mrs. Pat passed away on August 15 ending their 56 year marriage. He was immediately diagnosed with broken heart syndrome. Last week, he stated " I am going to meet Jesus and Mrs. Pat I am coming." Special thanks to Renee Cachon, Trisha Forsythe, and Leslie Keener for always being there. Pastor Blake Edmondson officiating. Pallbearers will be Frank L. Rutland IV, Bob Jones, Andrew Keith, Coach Andy Eden, Coach Brandon Easterwood, Jorel Barrett, and Mike King. "To be absent in the body is to be present with the Lord." 2 Corinthians 5:8

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 17. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Service

SEP 17. 2:00 PM (CT)

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