



## Ronald Edward Riggins Sr.

November 2, 1932 - January 17, 2022

Ron went home to be with the Lord on January 17, 2022. He was a lifelong resident of Birmingham, AL.

He attended Avondale grammar school, Woodlawn High School and Marion Military Institute. Ron

operated the family business, Sanitary Rug Cleaners, from 1952 until his retirement in 1986. He was a

pioneer in the carpet & rug cleaning industry bringing new and innovative methods to the Birmingham

area in the 1960's and 1970's. An avid sportsman, he enjoyed golf, Auburn football, fishing, and

hunting. In retirement Ron and his wife Kathryn traveled around the world and North America. Much of

their North America travel involved enjoying their Airstream travel trailer. He was a member of

Trussville First United Methodist Church. Most of all he was a devoted father, husband, and grandfather.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 68 years, Kathryn Berry Riggins and parents Harlem Riggins and

Grace Riggins Coker and his brother Thomas M. Riggins. He is survived by three sons Ronald E. Riggins, Jr (Susan), Steven H. Riggins, Michael G.

Riggins. Grandchildren, Katie Hargrove (Peyton), Peyton Riggins (Kristen),

Ian Riggins (Marissa), Chad Trull, Amanda King (Scott), Jill Whatwood (Cale),

Ethan Laughlin, and eight Great grandchildren. Visitation will be Saturday, January 29, 2022 at 10 AM until he celebration of life begins at 11 AM at Trussville First United Methodist Church.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 29. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church of Trussville  
120 N Chalkville Rd  
Trussville, AL 35173

## Celebration of Life

JAN 29. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

PO

“ *Mr Riggins was not only a great neighbor but a good friend. He'll b missed. RIP Ron*

Patrick Owen - January 27, 2022 at 01:42 PM

DS

“ *Danta Watwood Family and Mark and Janta Spence purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ronald Edward Riggins Sr..*



Danta Watwood Family and Mark and Janta Spence - January 27, 2022 at 12:33 PM

PB

“ *I worked with uncle Ronald when I was attending UAB age 19 - and I learned a lot about business and the value of a good work ethic, which has stayed with me all my life. He was a real friend and a great example for me on how to achieve a successful and balanced life in business.*  
*Pat Berry*

Pat Berry - January 21, 2022 at 11:11 AM

DR

“ *So sorry about your Dad . My thoughts and prayers are with y'all's family . Duff Richards*

Duff Richards - January 21, 2022 at 07:55 AM



“ *Mr Riggins was a great neighbor and good friend. We will miss him dearly. May he RIP. Patrick and Connie Owen*

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**Patrick Owen** - January 19, 2022 at 04:14 PM