



## WILLIAM JOSEPH "JOE" MOSES JR.

July 26, 2020

William Joseph "Joe" Moses Jr., 70, of Hueytown, Ala., passed away peacefully Sunday, July 26, 2020, at home. He was surrounded by his family, who loved him more than words can express.

He was born Aug. 22, 1949, and graduated from Hueytown High School in 1968. He married the former Donna Murphree in 1970, and they had three children, five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He earned an associate's degree from Bessemer State Technical College and retired from U.S. Steel after more than 30 years. He was a lifelong member of First United Methodist Church Hueytown, where he served on a host of boards and committees throughout the years. The church's annual Red Bird Mission Trip to Beverly, Ky., was a highlight of his year, and Camp Sumatanga – where he met his beautiful future bride on a youth retreat in high school – always held a special place in his heart. He was a longtime supporter of Boy Scout Troop 322, a member of Hueytown Lion's Club, a gifted carpenter, an avid Alabama football fan and a classic automobile enthusiast.

He was preceded in death by his parents, William Joseph "Billy" Moses Sr. and Julia Cost Moses. He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Donna Murphree Moses; three children: Lori Moses Brasher (Paul), Kelli Moses Dugan (Eldon) and Joseph Ryan Moses (Keena); one sister, Carol Moses Japp (Joe); two brothers, Alan Moses and Mark Moses (Mary Beth); two brothers-in-law: James "Jimmy" Murphree (Tricia) and Larry Murphree (Melinda); one sister-in-law, Karen Murphree Zito; five grandchildren: Maggie and Samantha Brasher, Steven Dugan, Killian Moses and Bethany Trucks; two great-grandchildren: Logan and Parker Armstrong; and a host of nieces, nephews and cousins.

The family will hold a private celebration of life worship gathering at 2 p.m. Thursday, July 30, 2020, at First United Methodist Church Hueytown, with all invited to follow via livestream @ <https://m.facebook.com/hueytownfirstumc/>.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Red Bird Mission c/o First United

Methodist Church Hueytown, the Alzheimer's Association or to the charity of your choice.

# Comments

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“ Joe was such a kind, gentle man. He always seemed so patient. DL often quoted Joe about attending church with kids During church service and the sermon, our own children would squirm, talk, get into hand fights in the balcony pew. DL would make disapproving faces and finally gruff at them. One Sunday, after a particularly frustrating time trying to get the children to sit still, be attentive, Joe said to DL after church: "Can you imagine sitting in a pew, your legs dangling, not really tall enough to see over the people in front of you, always looking at the back of someone's head, not really understanding the words or message being delivered, and being still and quiet for an entire hour?" That was a great lesson for us. We are sure each member of the Moses family has special memories of Joe, and we pray for comfort and peace for them. God bless you all.  
DL and Kay Huey

**The Hueys** - July 30 at 02:02 PM

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“ I remember Joe as a quiet, strong presence and a slight grin on his face. If he ever said a harsh word, I never heard it. Joe will be missed. Charles & Janet Alexander

**Charles Alexander** - July 30 at 12:15 PM

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“ Pat and I are so sorry to hear of Joe's passing. Grew up in church together at Hueytown Methodist and played softball for years together. We always enjoyed being together and played some basketball also for the church. To the Moses family know that we are praying for you and that one day soon we will join him with the Lord !!

**James Robert Brown** - July 29 at 07:50 PM

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“ Cindy Burrage lit a candle in memory of WILLIAM JOSEPH "JOE" MOSES JR.



**Cindy Burrage** - July 29 at 01:53 PM

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“ Iris Fry lit a candle in memory of WILLIAM JOSEPH "JOE" MOSES JR.



Iris Fry - July 29 at 12:54 PM



“ From Jesse & Jan (Woodley) Doyle with our Love & Prayers:  
Donna, Family & Friends: we are praying for our LORD's peace that passes understanding at this bittersweet time, but rejoicing for Joe's ultimate healing to be home with our LORD Amen

Jan (Woodley) Doyle - July 30 at 12:16 PM



“ Summer's Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of WILLIAM JOSEPH "JOE" MOSES JR..



July 29 at 11:21 AM



“ God bless you my friend, I often think of growing up close to the Moses and Johnston families. It was a time in my life I will never forget, I miss you all.

God be with your family.  
Don Lacy

Don Lacy - July 29 at 10:48 AM



“ Donna, you and your family are in my prayers. Even though we don't see each other very often, you remain a special friend. I dearly love you and I loved Joe too. Melissa Fisher

Melissa - July 29 at 02:32 PM