



ERNEST JEFFERSON GROOMS

March 18, 2019

Ernest Jefferson Grooms, age 90, a resident of the Birmingham, AL area passed away on March 18, 2019. Jeff was born on September 28, 1928 and spent his formative years in the small community of Mulberry, located in Isabella, AL. He entered the US. Army and worked at U.S. Steel where he retired in 1984. Jeff was a servant of the Lord. He was a longtime member of Ensley Baptist Church and later Central Park Baptist Church. Jeff took to heart the word of the bible. He served his community by visiting hospitals, driving the elder church members to and from, and working in their yards. He is especially known for giving away \$2 bills with a bookmark displaying a bible verse. Jeff will be remembered for his character, commitment to God, family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents Ernest and Maryann Grooms, two sisters Leoid Lecroy and Louise Lecroy. Survivors include his wife of almost 54 years, Frances Walker Grooms; his daughter Stacy Bryant (Greg) of Vestavia; and his grandchildren, Grayson Bryant and Davis Bryant; a sister Ruth Edna Smith; a host of nieces and nephews; as well as special friend and neighbor Lillie Minnifield.

The visitation will be from 10:00 until 11:00 AM, Thursday, March 21, 2019 at Peoples Chapel Funeral Home, Hueytown, AL. A celebration of his life will be at 11:00 AM at the Funeral Home. Burial will be follow at Mulberry Cemetery

(Mulberry Baptist Church, Maplesville).

The family would like to thank Comfort Care Hospice for their loving care over the last few weeks. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Mulberry Baptist Church cemetery fund or a favorite charity.

Tribute Wall

LM

“ Jeff, I will always remember your kind and giving spirit. I can truly say that I am a better person for having known you. You had a little trouble remembering my name, when we first met 30 years ago. You said you knew my name was the name of a flower. After calling me Violet and Petunia, you finally got it right - Lillie I will always remember your voice, calling me many nights before bedtime saying, “Lillie do you have anything good to tell me?” I would reply, “ I love y’all.” He would end the short conversation saying, “ we love you too Darling - Goodnight.”
I love you Jeff - Goodnight



Lillie Minnifield - March 20, 2019 at 03:18 PM

MF

“ Mike & Susan Mahaffey Barry & Jessica Evans & fa purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of ERNEST JEFFERSON GROOMS.



Mike & Susan Mahaffey Barry & Jessica Evans & fa - March 20, 2019 at 02:28 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of ERNEST JEFFERSON GROOMS.



March 19, 2019 at 11:35 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of ERNEST JEFFERSON GROOMS.*



March 19, 2019 at 11:05 PM



“ *Mr Grooms is one of the nicest men I have ever known. She was so good to my daughter Stevie Glass who passed away 10 years ago. She loved the Grooms. Mary Narro Glass*

Mary Narro Glass - March 19, 2019 at 09:35 PM



“ *Stacy, I am so terribly sorry for your loss. Sending my deepest condolences to you and your family. Carla Caldwell*

Carla Caldwell - March 19, 2019 at 09:06 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the Grooms family. Jeff was one of a kind. Always trying to cheer people up. He was so kind and thoughtful when visiting my parents through the years. He will be missed by so many people.*

Wanda Peoples Wallace - March 19, 2019 at 08:47 PM

DP

“ Mr. Jeff always had a smile on his face and loved the Lord. We were so blessed to have known him, as even though we weren't members at EBC, he always visited our special son Hunter in the hospital and prayed with us. What a blessing! Miz Frances is such a sweet lady too and always has a lovely smile on her face. Stacey, know you have wonderful memories. Love you all and will be praying for you in your loss. We love Isaiah 49:16 , "See, I have your name written on My hands." Every time God looks at His hands, he remembers your family. Love, John and Denise McLellan Phillips

Denise Phillips - March 19, 2019 at 08:39 PM

FB

“ Jeff was so kind and gentle. He always had time to talk to me. I still have his 2 dollar bills and sweet messages. I loved him .



Fran Bryant Birkhimer - March 19, 2019 at 07:25 PM

JS

“ Jeff was a true Christian, servant of Jesus Christ. He was a very special friend to our family. Love and prayers, Jan Armstrong Slaughter



Jan Slaughter - March 19, 2019 at 07:16 PM

MM

“ *Mr. Grooms or as I called him, Uncle Jeff was my neighbor while going up in Ensley Highlands. We also attended Ensley Baptist Church where our families grew even closer. He was a great friend to my Mom and Dad. He watched me grow up, I watched his daughter Stacy grow into a fine friend, wife, and mom. Jeff and his family have been there as my daughter grew also. Mr. Grooms, like so many other members of EBC, was a true Saint. He made life better for all those around him just by the example he provided us. Thank you God for men like Jeff Grooms. The Mahaffeys*

Mike Mahaffey - March 19, 2019 at 06:02 PM