



JAMES "JIM" WALTER ROPER III

May 17, 2022

James Walter Roper III (Jim), age 74, of Johns, Alabama gained his heavenly reward on May 17th, 2022 at 11:30PM. He was preceded in death by his wife Sammie Renay Roper, his parents James Walter Roper, Jr. and Mildred Roper, and his sister Jean Glasgow. He survived by his wife of 21 years, Betty Roper, his sister Rita Roper West (Buddy), his beautiful daughters Tammie Renay Simpson (Mike) and Jennifer Diane Barron (Michael); and his grandchildren Kayla Renay Simpson Rollins (Tyler), Meagan LeighAnn Simpson, Griffin Dewayne Barron (Elissa Glaze), and Michael Isaac Simpson, even two great grandchildren Amberleigh Rose Glaze and Micah Wayne Rollins. He loved them all so much and was so proud of them! Jim was a veteran of the United States Army. He was drafted and served in the Vietnam War, he was a coal miner and retired from Jim Walter Resources, he was an active member of Smithville Baptist Church where he served on the Cook Team, participated in Men's Bible Study, and any other event where his help was needed. He loved spending days in his shop where he did all of his wood working accompanied by his two enormous labs, Bubba and Luke. He spent countless hours crafting beautiful masterpieces. He gave one to each grandchild, and to a few lucky others. He loved his country, his church, his family, but most importantly his Savior, Jesus Christ. The past days have been hard and uncertain for us as a family, but there is one thing we are certain of – when he closed his eyes here on earth, he opened them in the presence of the Father, and in that we have peace. We thank everyone for the continued

prayers and would appreciate them throughout the days, and years, ahead. Visitation will be held on Thursday May 19th, 2022 from 5pm-7pm at Peoples Chapel in Hueytown, AL and the funeral will be Friday May 20th, 2022 at Smithville Baptist Church, service will start at 10:00am (9308 Old Toadvine Road Bessemer, AL 35023).

Tribute Wall



“ *America the Beautiful was purchased for the family of JAMES "JIM" WALTER ROPER III.*



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