



VANN DOUGLAS WARE JR.

April 14, 2025

Vann Douglas Ware, Jr. October 21, 1953 - April 14, 2025

Vann is survived by his wife, Lynn; children, Robert, Travis, and Brenda; stepchildren, Jennifer (Randy) and Pam (Joel); brother, Steve (Traci), and sisters, Debra (John) and Angie. He was preceded in death by his parents, Vann Douglas Ware, Sr., and Peggy Crocker Ware.

He was born in Hueytown, Alabama and graduated from Hueytown High School, Class of 1972. He served 30 years with the Birmingham Police Department, then spent another 11 years with various smaller community Police Departments before retiring. He loved his family and friends, was a devout Christian all his life, loved hunting, fishing, and reading lots of good books.

Vann was a generous, loyal man of integrity, with the best heart. Beneath his misleading gruff exterior, he had a wonderful sense of humor, was the kindest soul you could ever imagine. He will be greatly missed, and always loved by all those that loved him and were fortunate enough to call him family or friend.

The visitation will be Thursday, April 17, 2025, from 10:00 AM until 11:00 AM, at Peoples Chapel Funeral Home. The funeral service will be at 11:00 AM at the Funeral Home. Burial will follow at Forest Hill Cemetery.

Tribute Wall

ML

“ I have known Douglas since 1961, 64 years, and it is an honor to call him my friend. I have no idea why but 90 % of the time I called him Douglas. He, my brother Pat and I grew up together. The Ware's were like a second family as he was like another brother to us. Whenever my mom would take us anywhere, everyone thought Vann was her son as they both are redheads. Mom, as did the Wares, had no problem punishing us (a good kick in the rear) if we did something wrong.

I followed his lead and got into law enforcement to include 5 years with BPD. We even had the same FTO at North Precinct, Butch Boackle. Even though I went to work with the Feds, and moved all over the U.S., we stayed in touch and visited when I would come back to Alabama. He always called on my birthday, Xmas and New Years. In my 30 years of law enforcement and the countless number of agencies I have worked with, I can say Vann is the best "street" cop I have known.

He will be missed by many, but he is with GOD now and is at peace with his family in heaven. I will miss him greatly and proud to call him my friend.

Mike Long

Michael Long - April 16, 2025 at 09:20 PM

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Thank you for sharing.

Brenda - June 08, 2025 at 01:52 PM

WB

“ Vann was my old car partner. He was a solid man, and we had many good times together. He is greatly missed.

William Brewer - April 16, 2025 at 06:46 PM

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*Thank you for sharing your thoughts. They are very much appreciated.
Brenda*

Brenda - June 08, 2025 at 01:49 PM