



Roy "Gene" Sanford Jr.

February 7, 1965 - October 24, 2020

Roy "Gene" Sanford Jr. 55 of Ft. Oglethorpe gained his angel wings Saturday October 24, 2020. Gene died peacefully with assurance he would spend eternity with Jesus. His favorite bible verses were those found in the 23rd Chapter of Psalm.

Born on February 7, 1965 in Louisville Mississippi, Gene attended East Ridge High School and was later employed as a Certified Occupational Hearing Conservationist (CHOC). He helped coach girls' softball in his early years, and valued any time spent with kids. Gene adored all animals, but especially his dogs Mason and Bama. He Cherished any time spent with family, and lifelong friends, who have told us numerous stories of laughter and kindness. Gene had a heart of gold and never resisted a chance for laughter. He treasured travels with friends, times spent in the Caribbean, in Texas, and fishing on the farm in Cleveland, TN. His passion for sports was no secret, the Atlanta Braves, the UTC MOC's and of course, his beloved University of Alabama Football team were at the top of his must watch list. Roll Tide Roll!

Gene is survived by his parents, Johnnie L. Meherg Sanford of Ringgold GA, and Roy Eugene (Norma) Sanford Sr. of Scottsboro AL; his sisters Faith (Mike) Goodman, Grace (Billy) Bush; brother Andy Sanford; one daughter, and four step daughters Courtney (Matt) Harrell, Carli (Kevin) Schoettler, Whitney (David) Bailey and Meghan Paulhamus, and their families who he adored. He also had 3 neices, 5 nephews, 6 great neices, and 1 great nephew, along with a multitude of aunts, uncles, and cousins. We miss you already and we will see you again one day.

In lieu of flowers please send donations to McKamey Animal Shelter, or Hospice of Chattanooga. A huge thank you to Memorial Hospital, and Hospice of Chattanooga for the treatment and kindness shown to Gene and our family.

The family will receive friends on Saturday October 31, 2020 from 1:00 -3:00 p.m. in the parlor of the funeral home. A celebration of life will follow at 3:00 p.m. in the Ft. Oglethorpe Chapel of Wilson Funeral Home with Chuck Patrick officiating.

Online guest book at www.wilsonfuneralhome.com. Arrangements by W.L. Wilson & Sons Funeral Home Fort Oglethorpe, GA.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **31**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

W. L. Wilson & Sons Funeral Home-Ft. Oglethorpe Chapel
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Celebration of Life

OCT **31**. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Got to know Gene at Fox and Hound in Chattanooga. Great guy and always fun to be around. Loved to talk college football. He will be missed by many!
Chad

Chad - October 27, 2020 at 11:26 AM

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“ Those of us who regularly saw Gene at Mellow Mushroom and shared so many happy times filled with laughter, will surely miss his warm smile and funny stories! He always dressed so well, and had great Panama hats! Here's to those great times!

Mellow Mushroom Crowd - October 26, 2020 at 03:52 PM