



Delton Gene Graham

October 18, 1937 - February 20, 2025

Delton Gene Graham, age 87 of Spruce Pine, Alabama, passed away on Thursday, February 20, 2025.

Mr. Graham was a member of the Quinn Memorial Church of Christ and a native of the Frog Pond community. He served in the National Guard for seven years and was a member of the Spruce Pine Masonic Lodge #608.

Gene loved people, and he loved to talk. He knew at an early age that he wanted to be of service to the public. This drive led him to serve as Franklin County's youngest county commissioner in the late 50's and early 60's. After retiring from Russellville Gas Company, Gene ran for public office again. He was reelected County Commissioner (District 2) in 2000 and served 2 consecutive terms. His love for people and his community was unwavering.

Gene was a member of the Alabama Cattlemen's Association. He believed his gift of gab and cattle trading throughout his life allowed him the opportunity to meet lifelong friends. He enjoyed gardening and growing vegetables for the community. He especially loved growing watermelons and looked forward to the Russellville Watermelon Festival every year.

The service will be held at Spry Funeral Home in Russellville, Alabama on Sunday February 23, 2025. Visitation will be at 1:00 – 2:00 p.m., a service will

follow in the chapel at 2:00 p.m., and there will be no graveside service. He will be laid to rest at the Grissom cemetery in Frog Pond.

The pallbearers will be Ryan Champion, Carl Pearce, William Bishop, Tristan Johnson, Dwight Gilbert, and Michael Summerall. The honorary pallbearers will be Hoyte Wells and David Grissom.

Survivors include his wife, Linda Graham, daughter Connie R. Graham, his adopted daughters, Karen Hill, Melody Pearson, and Tammy Ward. In addition, he leaves behind nieces and nephews and a host of extended family.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Imogene Fleming Graham. His parents, Delton and Mae Graham, brother Joel Graham, and sister Freida Dixon.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you consider a donation to the American Cancer Society or the Franklin County Archives.

The family would like to thank the ICU team and doctors at Russellville Hospital for their support and kindness.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **23**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Spry Memorial Chapel/ Funeral Home
907 Jackson Ave S
Russellville, AL 35653-2625
(256) 332-1122

Funeral

FEB **23**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

JP

“ Gene was a true gentleman and carried himself with respect for others. I can't remember a time when we spoke that he wasn't smiling. He encouraged me during difficult times and carried a genuine concern and empathy for others. He was the kind of person we need in elected office and he'll be missed.

John Pilati - February 25, 2025 at 11:17 PM

JM

“ Always remember Gene stopping by my dad's store (Keeton's) for his daily peanuts & coke. Nice man. Know he will be missed.
Jane Keeton McManus

jane keeton mcmanus - February 23, 2025 at 04:56 PM



“ 90 files added to the album LifeTributes



Spry Memorial Chapel - February 23, 2025 at 09:23 AM

KP

Kenneth and Jimmie Pinkard so sorry praying for the family

Kenneth and Jimmie Pinkard - February 23, 2025 at 09:50 AM

KG

“ I've known Gene my entire life growing up in Frogpond and growing up in Quinn C of C. He was always a lot of fun to be around and will be missed by many. Sending my love and condolences to Connie and to Linda as well.

- Kristi Grissom Gerding

Kristi Grissom Gerding - February 23, 2025 at 08:31 AM

BS

“ Prayers for Linda and family. I met Gene in 1949 when I started to Rockwood school. He was in a higher grade, but always looked after the younger students. All thru the years my husband and I were honored to call him friend.

Betty Sparks - February 22, 2025 at 04:37 PM

SM

“ Scott Campbell & David Murphy purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Delton Gene Graham.



Scott Campbell & David Murphy - February 22, 2025 at 01:53 PM

JL

“ Dear Graham family,
I'm sorry to read of your loved one's passing,
and may all find comfort in our Lord's word
during this time of sadness.

In John 11:23-26, “Jesus said to her, “Your
brother will rise again.” Martha said to him, “I know that he will rise
again in the resurrection on the last day.” Jesus said to her, “I am
the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may
die, shall live. And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die.
Do you believe this?”

The above scripture is a wonderful promise from our Lord Jesus,
and those who have passed on are now in the care of our Lord God,
who has shown his love for us through his Beloved Son.

Rest in peace, dear brother; your reward is waiting.
God's continued blessings be upon you all.



John Lunsford - February 22, 2025 at 12:19 PM

JJ

“ Julie and Jan purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Delton Gene Graham.



Julie and Jan - February 21, 2025 at 06:17 PM