



## Robert "Bob" Michael Ovitt

September 4, 1946 - February 7, 2026

Robert (Bob) M. Ovitt, a resident of Russellville, Alabama, passed away on Saturday, February 7th, 2026 at his home surrounded by his family. Born in St. Albans on September 4th, 1946, the son of the late Wyman R. and Beatrice (Flanagan) Ovitt, Bob was 79 years old.

Bob attended Bellows Free Academy in St. Albans, VT, graduating in 1964. He was an outstanding athlete, especially on the baseball field as a catcher. He joined the United States Navy in 1964 upon his graduation from high school and proudly served his country for 3 years as a Communication Yeoman. While serving he was awarded the National Defense Service Medal and was honorably discharged. Bob was a signalman for the Central Vermont Railway for approximately 33 years. He finished out his railroad career with the Providence Worcester Railroad in Massachusetts before retiring in 2007. He retired to Alabama with his wife, Brenda (Moore) Ovitt, whom he cherished and loved with all his heart, of Russellville, Alabama.

Bob was an avid deer hunter, enjoying many seasons at deer camp with his hunting buddies, where he was known as; "Ma." In Alabama, he was a member of the Cedar Hills Hunting Club. He remained an avid hunter until his illness 9 months ago. He loved making his own bullets, going to the shooting range, making the best apple pie and sitting outside throwing toys with his dogs. Our dad loved watching his grandsons play sports during his yearly fall trips back to Vermont and spending time with his daughters, family and friends. He was a man of few words, but big actions and loved hard.

He is survived by his loving wife of 26 years Brenda (Moore) Ovitt, daughters, Heather (Tony) Hawkins of Berkshire, VT, Lynn (Gordon) Nicholson of Darien, CT and stepson, Jonathan Alsbrooks of Russellville, AL. His grandsons Aidan Kelly, Ian Nicholson, Mack Nicholson, and AJ Hawkins. His step-granddaughters, Moriah and Shelby Hawkins and great grandson, Oliver Brace. Sisters; Marilyn Toof, Sandra Yessian, Patricia Toth, Brother John Ovitt and Brother in-law Joe Henderson. He is survived by numerous nieces and nephews as well as his forever hunting buddies; Bobby "Pete" Cross, Joe Pion, and Matt Mulheron and CVRR lifelong friend, Bill Horton.

Besides his parents he was predeceased by; In-Laws, Norris and Catherine Moore, Brothers Wyman Ovitt Jr., Thomas R. Ovitt, Brother-in-laws, Ron Toof, Charlie Yessian, James Henderson, Leonard Henderson, Jr and Sister-in-laws, Elizabeth Ovitt, Susan Ovitt, Shirley Henderson, and Juanita Henderson.

We would like to thank North Alabama Hospice nurses and staff, as they took amazing care of Bob in his final days. A special thank you to Donna Taylor for her friendship and support during this difficult time. In lieu of flowers please consider donating to the National Park Foundation at [give.nationalparks.org](http://give.nationalparks.org).

Services in Alabama will be at Spry Memorial Chapel, Russellville, Alabama on Tuesday, February 10th, 2026. Visitation will be 1:00-3:00 pm, Funeral Service at 3:00 pm. A celebration of life will be held in early June in his hometown of St. Albans, VT.

Spry Memorial Chapel assisted the family. To leave a private condolence, please visit our website, [sprymemorialchapel.com](http://sprymemorialchapel.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 10. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Spry Memorial Chapel  
907 South Jackson Avenue  
Russellville, AL 35653  
(256) 332-1122  
sprymemorialchapel@yahoo.com

## Service

FEB 10. 3:00 PM (CT)

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

# Tribute Wall

MT

“ I remember Bob very well kind man with a big heart when I lived in Russellville Bob and Brenda came to visit we would talk over cake and coffee great times he will be deeply missed



Mary Tyra - February 10 at 11:18 AM

MF

“ Mary, Tyler, Ed and families purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Robert "Bob" Michael Ovitt.



Mary, Tyler, Ed and families - February 10 at 08:14 AM

MF

“ Mary, Tyler, Ed and families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert "Bob" Michael Ovitt.

Mary, Tyler, Ed and families - February 10 at 08:14 AM

CT

“ Cathy and Dirk, and Cara, Nick, Taylor purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Robert "Bob" Michael Ovitt.



Cathy and Dirk, and Cara, Nick, Taylor - February 10 at 08:09 AM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Robert "Bob" Michael Ovitt.*



February 09 at 09:25 PM



“ *Susan Ovitt and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert "Bob" Michael Ovitt.*

**Susan Ovitt and family** - February 09 at 09:25 PM



“ *To Brenda, Lynn, Heather and the rest of Bob's Family, Thinking of everyone during this difficult time. Sending love and prayers.  
Mary Godin*

**Mary Godin** - February 09 at 06:57 PM



“ *Katherine, Brendan, Zachary Faeth-Quinn purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Robert "Bob" Michael Ovitt.*



**Katherine, Brendan, Zachary Faeth-Quinn** - February 09 at 04:15 PM

KF

“ Katherine, Brendan, Zachary Faeth-Quinn planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert "Bob" Michael Ovitt.

Katherine, Brendan, Zachary Faeth-Quinn - February 09 at 04:15 PM

LF

“ Love Marilyn and family purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Robert "Bob" Michael Ovitt.



Love Marilyn and family - February 09 at 02:34 PM

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“ Love Marilyn and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert "Bob" Michael Ovitt.

Love Marilyn and family - February 09 at 02:34 PM

LF

“ Love, The Cross, Pion, & Mulheron families purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Robert "Bob" Michael Ovitt.



Love, The Cross, Pion, & Mulheron families - February 09 at 02:31 PM