



CELEBRATION
OF
Life
FOR

ROBERT RAY THOMPSON

July 7, 1952 - March 10, 2021

VISITATION · MARCH 15, 2021 · 4:00 - 7:00 PM

VISITATION: MARCH 16, 2021 · 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

NEUBLE MONUMENT

Funeral Home, LLC

1330 Bluebird Road · Lebanon, TN

GRAVESIDE SERVICE

MARCH 16, 2021 · 12:30 PM

Mount Lebanon Memorial Gardens

2464 Old Murfreesboro Road · Lebanon, TN

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Robert Ray Thompson was born July 7, 1952 in Davidson County, TN. He entered into eternal rest on Wednesday, March 10, 2021 at Summit Medical Center in Hermitage, TN.

Ray, as he was affectionately called by family and friends, received his education in the Wilson County Public School System. He was a graduate of Mt. Juliet High School, Class of 1970. Ray was employed with TRW/Ross Gear, for over 20 years and later retired from Goodwill Industries of Middle TN in Nashville. He confessed a hope in Christ and joined Cedar Grove Baptist Church at an early age. In later years he united with his family at Mays Chapel Baptist Church, Mt. Juliet, TN.

As a fun loving person, Ray enjoyed life and was loved by many. He was blessed to have loving and devoted parents in Reverend Charles and Odelia Bender. He referred to his mom as his best friend and often confided in her. On July 20, 2011, he took Billie Jean Nunley, his life soulmate, as his wife. He was preceded in death by a devoted father, Reverend Charles E. Bender; brother, Ronnie Bender; caring mother-in-law, Izella Starks Nunley; bonus son, Joshua Bradley and grandson, Jaelin Davis.

Ray leaves to cherish his memory a loving and devoted wife, Billie Jean Thompson Lebanon, TN; children: Antonio, (Taliah) Thompson, Madison, TN, Raetisha (Robert) McReynolds and Sherria Thompson, both of Clarksville, TN, Demetria (Clayton) Nunley and Casey Nunley both of Lebanon, TN; grandchildren: Antonio, Jr. and Antonia Thompson, Jaquarius and Lyjerica McReynolds, Mezman and Mezmariah Darden, Jayla Davis, Jaiya Apple, Trumaria, Zion, Bradley and Azellia Nunley and Kemarious Jobe. Ray has three great grandchildren. He is survived by a loving mother, Odelia Bender, Mt. Juliet, TN; siblings: Michael (Carol) Thompson, Murfreesboro, TN; Vivian (Larry) Word and Rochelle Hayes, Mt. Juliet, TN, Bonnie Campbell, Old Hickory, TN, Melissa (Earnest) Ellison, Nashville, TN, Crystal (Kristopher) James, Powder Springs, GA and a devoted sister, Cathy Bender, Hermitage, TN; aunts: Hattie Thompson, Nellie Bender, Beatrice Bender and Linda Abston; uncles: William Howard Bender and Jimmy Martin; sister-in-law: Sally Oldham; brothers-in-law: Roy B. (Betty) Nunley, Garland (Jackie) Nunley, Willie (Sammie) Nunley and Horace (Tamara) Nunley. Ray leaves behind a host of other relatives and friends.



FAMILY



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness show to them during this hour of bereavement. Special thanks to the nurses and staff of McKendree Village in Hermitage, TN.

- The Family -



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