



## Mr. Raymond Edward Phillips

April 4, 1928 - January 16, 2019

Mr. Raymond E. "Ray" Phillips, 90, of Smithville died Wednesday January 16, 2019 at Phoebe Sumter Medical Center.

The funeral service will be held at 3:00 PM on Friday January 18, 2019 at the Banks Funeral Home Chapel with interment to follow in the Hillcrest Cemetery with military honors. The Rev. Buck Kinney and Rev. Ron Perry will officiate.

Mr. Phillips was born on April 4, 1928 in Baker County to the late E.V. "Pat" and Beatrice "Bea" Mason Phillips. He had lived in Smithville for the past 5 years moving there from Sumter County. Mr. Phillips was retired from the United States Post Office and was a veteran of the United States Navy having served in WWII. He was a Ham Radio Operator, and was a big help during the flood of 94, sending out important flood warnings and information. Mr. Phillips enjoyed the outdoors, especially camping. He was a member of the Hebron Baptist Church in Sumter County.

Survivors include his wife Jean Mills-Phillips of Smithville; children, Anita Phillips Davis (Tommy) of Tallahassee, Fl, Rhenda Phillips Coxwell (Ed) of Albany, Ronnie Mills (Marlene) of Smithville and Melody Gilmer (James) of Albany; grandchildren, Tim Coxwell (Edey), Elizabeth Thorp (Jason), Beth Kinney (Buck), Katherine Brown (TJ), Jed Davis (April), Amy Ashton (Garrett), Brandon Mills, Michelle Hayes (Jim), Katie Gilmer and Kristin Gilmer; 16 great grandchildren; brother, Brinson Phillips and host of nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, Mr. Phillips was preceded in death by his wife of 62 years, Bobbie Hancock Phillips on November 20, 2009; brother, DeWaine

Phillips and a sister, Louise Bigbie.

The family will receive friends on Friday from 2:00 PM until 3:00 PM at Banks Funeral Home Chapel.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Hebron Baptist Church, c/o Peggy Israel, 1994 GA HWY 308, Smithville, GA 31787 or the Gideon's International Americus Camp, P.O. Box 722, Americus, GA 31709.

Please sign our online guest registry at [www.banksfh.com](http://www.banksfh.com).

Banks Funeral Home in Sylvester is in charge of arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Hillcrest Cemetery

701 S. Isabella Street  
Sylvester, GA 31791

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 18. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Banks Funeral Home  
PO Box 550  
210 N. Main Street  
Sylvester, GA 31791  
(229) 776-2055  
banksfh@yahoo.com  
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## Funeral Service

JAN 18. 3:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Raymond Edward Phillips*

January 28, 2023 at 12:53 PM



“ *Anita,  
Eddie and I are so sorry to hear of the passing of your father. Our prayers are with you, Tommy, and all of your family as you go through these trying times in the next weeks. Know that the Lord senses your heartaches but your dad is closer and is having a great chat and asking the Lord to direct his healing of love and light to all of you.*

**Beverly Daughtry** - January 18, 2019 at 12:26 PM



“ *To Rhenda Jo, Anita, Melody, & Families, our deepest sympathies to all of you. Thoughts & prayers continue, Eunice Greene, Emily Greene, & Debbie Greene Blanchard*

**Deb Blanchard** - January 17, 2019 at 09:23 AM



“ *He was a great man and I will miss him. I love him and his family.*

*Peggy Phillips King.*



**Peggy King** - January 17, 2019 at 09:02 AM

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“ We are so sorry for your loss. It is never easy to lose someone you love, especially a parent. You and your family are in our prayers.  
*Harold and Janice Eastman*

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**Harold & Janice Eastman** - January 17, 2019 at 08:46 AM

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“ Sending sympathy and prayers to Anita and Rhonda Jo in the loss of their sweet dad.  
*I remember Mr. Raymond well from Byne and know how much y'all will miss him. He is rejoicing in heaven for sure and you will see him again!*  
*Very sincerely,*  
*Dottie Hautman Jones*

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**Dottie Jones** - January 17, 2019 at 08:38 AM