



Mr. William Roy Palmer

January 13, 1923 - September 5, 2015

Roy Palmer, 92, of Sylvester, died September 5, 2015 at his residence.

The Funeral service will be at 2:00 PM on Tuesday, September 8th at First Baptist Church Sylvester. Interment will follow in the Pinecrest Memory Gardens in Pelham GA. The Rev. Earnie Pirkle and Dr. Pete Sharber will officiate.

He was born on January 13, 1923 in Camilla GA to Tenneth and Dora Palmer.

Roy retired in 1986 after 41 years with Mitchell EMC. He began in 1945 as a young man working in the construction crew and was promoted to Sylvester District Manager in 1948. In 1973 he became General Manager of Mitchell EMC in Camilla GA, a position he held until retiring. He was actively involved with the Georgia Electric Membership Association in their early formative years. Mr. Palmer often commented on the thrill of seeing customers in the early days when their lights were turned on for the first time.

Mr. Palmer was a deacon of First Baptist Church and a member of the Elton Baker Sunday school class which held a special place in his heart. In addition, he took great pride for many years in working with the men of the church to build handicap ramps for county residents who needed them. Roy never met a stranger and enjoyed volunteering his time in construction projects for family and friends.

He especially loved his family and spending time with them. Also, he loved the outdoors and for many years was an avid fisherman, hunter and golfer. In recent years he enjoyed working in his yards and sharing them with family and friends

He is survived by his wife of 39 years Ruby Snipes Palmer, children; Lee Palmer (Nancy), Sandra Westbrook (Ronald), Stephanie Beckwith (Don), Patty Tomlinson (Carl), Tommy Snipes (Peggie), Sue Sue Young (Terry), and Cheryl Morris (Ray), fifteen grandchildren and 25 great grandchildren.

In addition to his parents Mr. Palmer was preceded in death by his first wife Helen Palmer and brothers Daniel and Gene Palmer.

Visitation will be from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM on Monday, September 7th at the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall.

A special thank you to Hospice of Tift area for their loving care and support. For those desiring donations can be made to Hospice of Tift area, P.O drawer 747, Tifton Ga. 31793 or the First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 309, Sylvester, GA 31791.

Please sign our online guest registry at www.banksfh.com.

Banks Funeral Home in Sylvester is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. William Roy Palmer*

January 28, 2023 at 12:53 PM

TH

“ *We are praying for God's grace! May he lift you up in this time of sorrow!*

Tim & DeDe Hathcock - May 14, 2018 at 03:11 PM

GM

“ *Patty, Tommy and family,*

I am so sorry to hear of the loss of Mr. Roy. May God give you peace in this time and in the days to come. Love to you all.

Gayle McKissack - May 14, 2018 at 03:11 PM

TL

“ *Ruby and Palmer Family,*

*Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time especially.
Roy was a great Christian man. We worked together on Constructors for Christ.*

May God hold you in the palm of His hand.

Thomas & Carolyn Latimer.

Thomas Latimer - May 14, 2018 at 03:11 PM

WS

“ *Sorry for the loss of Mr. Roy. He was a great man. We were out of town with grandchildren and didn't know anything had happened. Sorry we missed the visitation and funeral.*

You all are in our prayers!

William and Gail Sams - May 14, 2018 at 03:11 PM

JP

“ *Sandra, So very sorry about your dad. Thoughts and prayers for you. Love, Jil Y.Powell..*

Jil Powell - May 14, 2018 at 03:11 PM

PN

“ Our prayers are with all of you. Catherine Ogletree, Mike and Paula

Paula Norris - May 14, 2018 at 03:11 PM

IG

“ Our prayers and sympathy to your family. We have very fond memories of our times at the country club and at the Academy.
Imogene Gilliam and Tim Downing.

Imogene (Downing) Gilliam - May 14, 2018 at 03:11 PM

OS

“ Ruby, I'm so sorry about your lost. I know he will be solely missed. Roy was a wonderful man. Your friend Opal

Opal Schramm - May 14, 2018 at 03:11 PM

GH

“ Nancy, Lee and Family, Please except my heartfelt condolences for your great loss. Lee, First Baptist Church and all of Worth County lost a dear friend, in your dad. I know the family will miss him but you will always have his wonderful memory.F

George Ray Houston - May 14, 2018 at 03:11 PM

MC

“ Lee, sorry to hear about your loss. Holding you in my prayes.

Mahala Church - May 14, 2018 at 03:11 PM