



Benjamin Ray Goolsby

May 26, 1954 - October 20, 2022

Benny Ray Goolsby, 68, of Burns, TN, passed away unexpectedly on the morning of October 20, 2022. He was born May 26, 1954, to the late Ernest and Wynette Griffin Goolsby in Ripley, MS. Benny was a 1972 graduate of Ripley High School. After graduating, he took several courses resulting in becoming a Journeyman Wireman with IBEW. On September 1, 1973, he married the former Mary Ketchum of Ripley, MS. After years spent as an electrician, he moved on to becoming an organizer for IBEW and later SEIU. He retired in August 2021.

Benny was a follower of Christ. He was active and served in both West Ripley Baptist Church of Ripley, MS and First Baptist Church, Dickson, TN. He loved the Lord and was quick to give God all the glory for every day he was granted. Benny will be remembered as a faithful husband, loving father, and an awesome Pop.

He is survived by his wife of 49 years, Mary of Burns, TN, Daughters, Emily Johnston (Mark) of Ripley, MS, Marla Grimm of Burns, TN, and Anita Hood of Ripley, MS and Son, Ben Goolsby (Megan) of Dickson, TN. He was a loving "Pop" to seven grandchildren: Anna Reese (Bailey), Micah Johnston, Jasper Hood, Addie Grimm, Josiah Grimm, Kingslee Goolsby, and Kate Goolsby. He is also survived by two sisters, Wanda Gattis (Tate) and Gail Cook (Davis), both of Ripley, MS.

He was preceded in death by his parents: Ernest and Wynette Griffin Goolsby, Brother: Orville Goolsby, and son in law, David Grimm.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to: First Baptist Church of Dickson Student or Children's Ministry, 2501 Hwy 70 E, Dickson, TN 37055 or Wier's Chapel Cemetery c/o Tommy Covington, 106 North Main, Ripley, MS 38663.

Visitation: will be 1:00 – 3:00 pm Saturday, October 22 at Spann Funeral Home

Funeral Service for Mr. Benjamin Goolsby will be conducted at 3:00 pm Saturday, October 22, 2022, in the Chapel of Spann Funeral Home with Pastor Mike Miller officiating

Cemetery Details

Wier's Chapel Cemetery

Hwy 370
Ripley, MS 38663

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **24**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

McBride Funeral Home, Inc.
206 N. Commerce St
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Service

OCT **24**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Benjamin Ray Goolsby

October 05, 2023 at 12:14 PM



“ Sherry Crawford lit a candle in memory of Benjamin Ray Goolsby



Sherry Crawford - October 27, 2022 at 12:57 PM



“ Mary Martin lit a candle in memory of Benjamin Ray Goolsby



Mary Martin - October 24, 2022 at 08:36 PM



“ He was such a good man. Mary and family I'm so sorry for your loss.

wanda Carr - October 24, 2022 at 04:50 PM

SM

“ Stephanie McClintock lit a candle in memory of Benjamin Ray Goolsby



Stephanie McClintock - October 24, 2022 at 12:17 PM

WC

“ WEST RIPLEY BAPTIST CHURCH sent a virtual gift in memory of Benjamin Ray Goolsby



WEST RIPLEY BAPTIST CHURCH - October 24, 2022 at 10:33 AM

TW

“ Prayers for the family.

Tracy Wandell - October 24, 2022 at 10:18 AM



“ Lois Watson sent a virtual gift in memory of Benjamin Ray Goolsby



Lois Watson - October 22, 2022 at 12:17 PM