



Jonny Edwin O'Leary

September 3, 1943 - January 28, 2026

Mr. Jonny Edwin O'Leary passed away on January 28, 2026, at his home in Ripley, MS, at the age of 82. He was born on September 3, 1943, in Klamath Falls, Oregon, to the late William Coleman O'Leary and Laura Garner O'Leary.

Jonny served his country as a member of the United States Navy during the Vietnam War. He was united in marriage to Peggy Sue Akins O'Leary. Throughout his career, Jonny was employed as a certified water technician with Mississippi State, where he dedicated many years of faithful service. He was a devoted member of West Ripley Baptist Church, where he faithfully served as a deacon for more than 30 years.

Jonny's family would like to thank Hospice and Megan Hill for taking such good care of him.

Jonny is preceded in death by his parents, William Coleman O'Leary and Laura Garner O'Leary, and his brother Douglas O'Leary.

Jonny is survived by his wife Peggy Sue Akins O'Leary of Ripley, MS; his son Jeff O'Leary of Lagrande, Oregon; his daughters, Melisa Grisham of Foley, AL, and Teresa O'Leary of Ripley, MS; his sister Bertha Modlin of Corinth, MS; his five grandchildren, Josh O'Leary of Ripley, MS, and Laura O'Leary of Ripley, MS, Meghan Grisham of Foley, AL, Tyler Gibbs and Ryan Gibbs of

Norman, OK; his seven great-grandchildren, A'Zaria, Bradley, Bentley, Lilith, Nora, Evie, and Adaya who was Jonny's special caregiver.

Officiating: Bro. Steve Holliday

Assisting Minister: Steve Cohea

Pallbearers: Jerold Akins, Nicky Akins, Dennis Pannell, Eddie Mauney, and Tony Akins

Cemetery Details

Tippah Memorial Gardens

Hwy 370
Ripley, MS

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 3. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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

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Tribute Wall

GI

“ *Ginger lit a candle in memory of Jonny Edwin O'Leary*



Ginger - February 03 at 10:24 AM

GI

Best neighbor we ever had, love all of you

Ginger - February 03 at 10:26 AM

PB

“ *So sorry for your loss Peggy. Praying for your family. It was so good to spend time with you and him when the Kids came to clean the gym at your church.*



Pat Beavers - January 29 at 05:47 PM

VM

“ *Thank you, Jonny for your friendship over the years.*



Van Malone - January 29 at 05:31 PM

WC

“ *West Ripley Baptist Church sent a virtual gift in memory of Jonny Edwin O'Leary*



West Ripley Baptist Church - January 29 at 09:11 AM