



Larry Freeman

February 17, 1939 - October 15, 2025

Larry E. Freeman, 86, passed away on October 15, 2025, at his home surrounded by his loving family after a brief illness. He was born February 17, 1939, in Yuma, Arizona, to Wylie Galloway Freeman and Mabel (May) Semaria Way Freeman. He served in the Army Military Police, guarding the headquarters of General Dwight D. Eisenhower in Germany. He worked at Ralston Purina in Memphis from 1959 to 1970. After moving his family to Ripley, he went to work with Dean's Milk Company as a Distributor for several years. He then went to work at Barbers Milk in Tupelo, MS, as a supervisor until retirement. His love for farming was shown in the way his hay and cattle business grew. With hard work and determination alongside his son Chip and grandsons Reed, Ryan, and Jake Freeman, "Freeman and Sons" was established. He was a member of West Ripley Baptist Church, where he served as the Men's Sunday School teacher for several years. Larry loved his family and always showed his pride in them.

Larry is survived by his son Chip Freeman (Lucy) of Ripley, MS; his daughters Joy Mauney (Eddie) of Ripley, MS; Lisa Gargus (Billy) of Guntown, MS; and Tracy Pannel (Dennis) of Ripley, MS; Ten grandchildren, Kristy Glissen (Rick) of Ripley, MS; Jennifer Robertson (Andy) of Ripley MS; Cory Gargus (Marcee) of Starkville, MS; Casey Gargus of Guntown, MS; Cody Gargus (Ashley) of Guntown, MS; Matthew Pannell (Kelly) of Michie, TN; Madison Pannell of Ripley, MS; Reed Freeman of Ripley, MS; Ryan Freeman of Ripley, MS; Jake Freeman of Ripley, MS. Eleven great grandchildren, Emma Glissen, Jozy Robertson, Ben Robertson, Micah Smith, Eli Smith, Jackson Gargus, Roselynn Gargus, Cooper Gargus, Addyson Pannell, Alyvia Pannell, and Saylah Pannell.

He is preceded in death by his wife of 63 years, Joyce Freeman, his parents, five brothers, and three sisters.

Pallbearers will be his grandsons: Cory Gargus, Cody Gargus, Matthew Pannell, Reed Freeman, Ryan Freeman, and Jake Freeman.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 17. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

West Ripley Baptist Church
773 West Cooper Street
Ripley, MS 38663

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OCT 18. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Stephanie McClintock sent a virtual gift in memory of Larry Freeman



Stephanie McClintock - October 20, 2025 at 10:04 AM

DT

“ To all the family, Larry was one of a kind. Praying for comfort and strength in the days to come.

Donnie Tidwell - October 17, 2025 at 07:34 PM

LC

“ Lena, Sherri,Ronnie,and Cindi planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Larry Freeman.

Lena, Sherri,Ronnie,and Cindi - October 17, 2025 at 04:13 PM

EM

“ Erma M. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Larry Freeman.



Erma M. - October 16, 2025 at 08:14 PM

SL

“ Mr. Larry was a wonderful person. He always greeted me with a smile and a hug. He will be missed for sure, and not just by his precious family. Joy, Chip, Tracy, Lisa, and the rest of the family: you are ALL in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Know that we love y'all!

Sheila Lence - October 16, 2025 at 04:49 PM

BG

“ Joy, Tracy and the rest of the family, I'm so very sorry for your loss. But y'all can look forward to that blessed reunion in Heaven!!!! Prayers for yall in the days ahead...
Brenda Grant

Brenda Grant - October 16, 2025 at 02:47 PM

JJ

“ Jerry Potts, Jethlynn, Terry, Pam, Jason purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Larry Freeman.



Jerry Potts, Jethlynn, Terry, Pam, Jason - October 16, 2025 at 10:56 AM