



Edward Lee Roberts

December 13, 1940 - December 22, 2019

Edward Lee Roberts, 79, of Greenbrier, Arkansas passed away on December 22, 2019. He was born in Greenbrier, Arkansas on December 13, 1940 to Haze Ezekiel Roberts and Letha Everlyn Roberts.

Some folks believe the measure of a person's worth is what you read once they have passed away. The ones who preceded in death and the ones left behind. It's a tangible memory you can hold in your hand and read, but much of a person's life can't be read in the pages of the obituaries. It's the legacy they have left behind. It's the memories that each one of us share. It's looking in your childrens eyes and seeing a familiar resemblance or hearing a song that reminds you of them. It's the unseen times or the unspoken moments. The inside jokes and the place that they hold in your heart. Those are the true worth of a person's life. I have always heard Edward say he wanted to be remembered for what he had when he was gone and I think I finally understand what those things are. He was truly one of the richest men in the legacy that he has left behind.

First and most importantly, Edward knew who God was and he lived his life the best way he could. His absence leaves a void in the lives of all who knew him. It is the absolute truth to say Greenbrier will never be the same without him.

Not a day has gone by that he didn't grieve and miss his firstborn Kendall. He has missed him more than he could ever find the words to say. The moment Edward took his last breath was the first time he was finally able to be at peace.

He lived an iconic life. A marriage of 37 years to a woman who loved him unconditionally. They loved each other well, through good times and bad times. Through the feast and famine. Things that could have destroyed most of the strongest marriages, they walked through and came out even stronger. Many people never get the opportunity to experience a love like that. It was a love story written just for the two of them and it is a priceless accomplishment.

And then there are his children, the ones by birth and the ones he gained through marriage. You couldn't spend time with Ed and not know at least something about one of "the kids" in this family, be it good or bad. However he loved them all the absolute best way he knew how. Many tears and joys have been spoken over all of us throughout our life with him. He was richly blessed with family. Psalms 127:3-5 speaks of how children are a gift from God, a reward. Edward leaves behind a full quiver and was blessed by each and every child he had.

He was blessed with 24 grandchildren and this is truly where his love and goodness flowed most freely and where without a doubt he got it right. He loved each of them more than life itself. He was truly at his God-given best when it came to grandchildren and great grandchildren. There has never been a doubt of how much he loved them. May they always know and remember his kindness.

And you can't remember his legacy without remembering the town of Greenbrier that he loved so much. He was known by all and pretty much knew everything about everyone, whether you liked it or not. His mind was a perpetual calendar and he remembered days and dates better than anyone. He was truly a blessed man and will be greatly missed.

He was preceded by his parents, Haze Ezekiel and Letha Everlyn Roberts; son, Kendall E. Roberts; brothers, Robert (Bob) Roberts, George Roberts; sisters, Mary Roberts Harrington, and Elwanda Roberts Garrigus.

Edward is survived by his loving wife of 37 years, Martha King Roberts; children, Ginger (Ricky) Harrison, Kami (Jim) Jagers, Robin Roberts Tipton, Mitchell Lee Roberts, Brazos Waco (Misty) Roberts; inherited children, Charlie Killgo, Dallas Peacock, Jim (Mary) Peacock, Laurie (Will) Green; grandchildren, Kendra Billings-Hadley, Cliff (Jenni) Harrison, Jessica (Emery) Murray, Jeremy (Shannon) Lasley, Adam Harrison, Bliss Jagers, Rhett Jagers, Weston Jenkins, Jett Tipton, Ledger Haze Tipton, Sparrow Grace Roberts, River Waco Roberts, Charlie Nicole Killgo, William Charles Killgo III, Heather Lee Sutterfield, Zoe Moon White Peacock, Elizabeth Autumn Blue Darby, Aerial (Adam) Clay, Dillon Peacock, Dakota Peacock, Brittainy (Blake) Jones, Britton Green, Marcus Green, Matthew (Ashley) Green; great grandchildren, Kerston Hadley, Camryn Miller, Drake Harrison, Wyatt Harrison, Corey Wiley, Chloe Hunt, Peyton Lasley, Jasper Lasley, Dallyn Lasley, Ace Williams, Moriah Joy, Skarlett Moon, Leland Moon, Wren Steele; brothers, Larry Joe (Tina) Roberts, Jerry (Markeeta) Roberts; sisters, Peggy Schultz; a host of nieces, nephews, and friends.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, December 26, 2019 at Bishop-Crites Funeral Home from 4:00pm to 8:00pm.

Funeral will be held on Friday, December 27, 2019 at Bishop-Crites Funeral Home at 10:00am with Pastor Tim Powell officiating, with burial following to Thorn Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Thorn Cemetery

99 Thorn Cemetery Road
Greenbrier, AR 72058

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **26**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bishop-Crites Funeral Home
108 North Broadview
Greenbrier, AR 72058
<http://www.bishopcritesfuneralhome.com>

Funeral Service

DEC **27**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Bishop-Crites Funeral Home - December 29, 2019 at 10:33 AM

MJ

Wonderful memories!

Mary Jane - December 29, 2019 at 07:28 PM

DM

“ To all Ed's family,
I know Ed will be missed. I've known him since I was very young. He'd ride the bus with us to see a Razorback football games at Fayetteville back when Frank Broyles was trying to fill seats...\$5/ticket. Lots of memories...
Donny & Martha McMillen

Donny McMillen - December 27, 2019 at 09:50 AM

BP

“ I found out last night that Mr. Ed had passed, and wanted to convey my sympathy to the family. He truly enjoyed life and will be missed by all.

Blake McBride PT

Blake McBride PT - December 27, 2019 at 09:26 AM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Edward Lee Roberts.



December 26, 2019 at 12:13 PM

BM

“ Ed was one of my favorite people since I first met him in 1982. We shared many experiences and memories at the poker table over the years. Always a kind , respectful , gentle man. He will be missed.
Burt Madden,

burt madden - December 26, 2019 at 11:07 AM

LH

“ So sorry for your loss..Ed has always been a great friend to our family..he was also a cousin to us...he will be greatly missed ...but know that God will be there to comfort you all...He loves you more than anyone can...you are all in my prayers!

Loretta Harrington-Keathley - December 25, 2019 at 07:47 PM

AM

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you. May God grant you the comfort, courage and peace only He can give at this time.

Ann H. Mode - December 25, 2019 at 05:27 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Edward Lee Roberts.



December 24, 2019 at 05:11 PM

SS

“ Sandra P. Smith purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Edward Lee Roberts.



Sandra P. Smith - December 24, 2019 at 05:06 PM

RW

“ Ed was more than my realator he was my buddy ,I took ed for his first ride in a small plane, we left ozark ar in my cessna 150 and flew to greenbrier cantrell air strip . Ron and Phyllis Williams.

ronald williams - December 24, 2019 at 03:11 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Edward Lee Roberts.*



December 24, 2019 at 02:24 PM

PH

“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Ed was such a great man. He was a blessing to Johnny - letting him park his camper at The Farm when he was working in Arkansas. Ed always came out to visit while I was there and kept us laughing with all his stories. We love you Aunt Martha. You are in our prayers. Phyllis and Johnny Howell, Palestine, TX*

Phyllis Howell - December 24, 2019 at 12:23 PM

LI

“ *So sorry for your loss. Praying for the family and friends.*

Rick and Linda White

linaWhite - December 24, 2019 at 02:29 AM

AL

“ *I send my condolences. May a blanket of comfort be laid upon you in such a time of loss.*



Angie Lawson - December 24, 2019 at 01:22 AM

KH

“ *I will always have you in my heart! I love you so much Papa!! -Kendra*

Kendra Hadley - December 23, 2019 at 07:05 PM

CH

“ *Our hearts are SO sad for your family. It's never ever easy, but not easy at all especially during the holidays. You guys have tons of sweet memories to flood your hearts to help during this difficult time. Sammy joe and Cheryl hartwick*

cheryl hartwick - December 23, 2019 at 06:46 PM

JR

“ Ed was a gentle soul, he loved people. Any time Jerry or I were around, he was talking about his kids or grandkids. He was always friendly, willing to help in anyway that he could. Yes he will be missed very much, praying for all of you, praying God will comfort each one of you in the right and special way. Until you reunite with him, know that Greenbrier loved Ed, and Jerry and I did too. We are here if you need us.

Jerry and Janis Robbins - December 23, 2019 at 04:45 PM