



Mr. Rufus Pope

December 20, 1935 - November 27, 2020

Homegoing Services Celebrating the Life of Mr. Rufus Pope, 84, of Talladega, Alabama will be held Monday, December 7, 2020, at 1PM at Lawler Cemetery in Winterboro, Alabama with Pastor Clarence Henderson Officiating and Rev. Jimmy Huggins Eulogist. There will be a public viewing for Mr. Pope on Sunday, December 6, 2020 from 1-6 p.m. at the funeral home. Professional services entrusted to S.M. Goodson Funeral Home-Talladega. Mr. Rufus Pope was born on December 20, 1935 to the late Walter Miller and Celia Pope Jones in Talladega, Alabama. At an early age, Rufus united with Greater Ebenezer Baptist Church. During his youth, Rufus attended Westside school in Talladega, Alabama. After completion of school, Rufus dedicated his services to his country by serving in the U.S Army from August 1953 through October 1954 as a sharpshooter in the Korean War where he later received an honorable discharge. Along life's path upon returning home from the U.S. Army, Rufus met and married his soulmate of 52 years, Mrs. Joyce Pope. Rufus was a self-employed brick, block, and concrete mason for many years and was well known by many. Rufus was an outgoing free-spirited person who was loved by everyone he encountered. He was a pillar of his community and well-known for helping and advising nearly everyone who needed it. He was also a father figure to many and a friend to all who knew him. On November 27, 2020 Rufus answered his Master's call and journeyed home free from all the pain and sins of this world to enjoy an eternal life of peace, love, and salvation. Rufus was a loving son, brother, husband, father,

grandfather, uncle, and friend. Preceding Rufus in death are his parents, Walter Miller and Celia Pope Jones; five brothers, Joseph Lawson, Deyampert Pope Sr., Lawrence Curtis Jones, Harvey Miller Sr., and Otis Jones; one sister, Josephine Watts; one son, Lionel Pope; and one grandson, Aldrick Garrett Pope. He leaves to cherish his memories: his loving wife of 52 years; Joyce Pope of Talladega, Alabama; four sons, Ronnie (Vivian) Scott, Roman Pope, Bertis (Mattie) Pope, and Marshall (Lori) Pope; four daughters, Gloria Beaty, Brenda Sullivan, Neicey Scott and Annie Mae McClellan; seven special kids, Tori Scott, David Scott, Wayne Scott, Debra Scott, Nadine Scott, Tan Scott, and Kathy Scott; one brother, Charles Jones; four sisters, Mildred (Calvin) Jones, Minnie (Johnny Frank) Beavers, Carrie Smith, Tommy L. (Joseph) Ross and Nancy Rowland; twenty-one grandchildren, twenty-three great-grandchildren, and a host of other relatives and friends.

Previous Events

Public Viewing

DEC 6. 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

S.M. Goodson Funeral Home Chapel
217 Coosa Street East
Talladega, AL 35160

Graveside Service

DEC 7. 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM.

Lawler Cemetery (Winterboro)
Winterboro, AL

Tribute Wall

DM

“ Thank you granddaddy for all of your love

Demetrius and Michael - December 07, 2020 at 09:12 AM

WM

“ You are our brother and we will always remember you

Willie, Dollie and Margaret - December 07, 2020 at 09:11 AM

CB

“ Thank you for your Service from all the Veterans around the world.

COL (R) Gloria Blake - December 07, 2020 at 09:09 AM

LS

“ Rufus Pope has been a part of my life all my life. He was always there for our family, the Scott family, no matter what. He was a dad and protector for us all. I have many memories of my childhood that he was a part of. I will always love him and appreciate him looking out for us and being family to us. He will be greatly missed. Always in my ❤️.

LaTanya Scott Lawson (Tan Scott) - December 06, 2020 at 06:43 PM

KS

“ Rufus Pope I love you dearly and I miss you so much. You loved me unconditionally my whole life. God blessed me with a father in you and I will ALWAYS cherish that.
Kathlyn Scott



Kathlyn Scott - December 04, 2020 at 09:36 PM

CS

“ Chandra Swain lit a candle in memory of Mr. Rufus Pope



Chandra Swain - December 04, 2020 at 01:58 PM

WG

“ Wayne and Rhonda Atlanta Georgia purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Rufus Pope.



Wayne and Rhonda Atlanta Georgia - December 04, 2020 at 10:29 AM

RT

“ Gone but not forgotten! Rest Easy Sir, Love You.. Wayne and Rhonda

Rhonda Threatt - December 04, 2020 at 10:26 AM



“ Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Rufus Pope.



December 03, 2020 at 01:22 PM

WF

“ *Willie Scales and Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mr. Rufus Pope.*



Willie Scales and Family - December 03, 2020 at 01:03 PM

CS

“ *Chandra Swain lit a candle in memory of Mr. Rufus Pope*



Chandra Swain - December 01, 2020 at 03:57 PM

BF

“ *Beaty Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Rufus Pope*



Beaty Family - December 01, 2020 at 01:26 PM

PB

“ *My deepest condolences...*



Pamela "Ricki" Bradford - December 01, 2020 at 01:17 PM

TA

“ *Tameka Austin lit a candle in memory of Mr. Rufus Pope*



Tameka Austin - November 30, 2020 at 09:38 PM

TA

“ *Granddaddy (ole man) I will forever keep your memory alive.you was always there for me and my kids regardless day or night.im so grateful to have had someone like you in my life.I love you and miss you like crazy*

Tameka Austin - November 30, 2020 at 09:37 PM

DE

“ *Daddy, you were always there for me as your daughter and my children and grandchildren. You are loved and will be loved to the end of time. I appreciate you and Joyce for taking me and my kids under your wings of support. I love so much. You will never leave my heart. Your daughter Gloria.*

Denise - November 30, 2020 at 11:53 AM