



David Ronald Reece

January 8, 1949 - February 23, 2016

David Ronald Reece, 67, of Rainsville, passed away Tuesday, February 23, 2016 at Brookwood Medical Center in Birmingham. He was born January 8, 1949, to the late Betty Harris Reece and David Zane Reece. He attended Fort Payne City Schools and the University of Alabama, and was a member of the First Baptist Church. After starting his career with Ladd Engineering, David served Farmers Telecommunications Cooperative as staff engineer for thirty-eight years.

David enjoyed sports and guitars, but was completely devoted to all the generations of his family. His greatest pride was raising his children, Zane and Alicia, and he loved his stepdaughters, Joan and Rachel, as his own. He looked forward to cooking the birthday dinner for every child and grandchild, including the honoree's favorite cake – which might include four-layer pudding or Mexican cornbread, because he encouraged everyone to be individualistic. He delighted in telling and retelling funny family anecdotes.

David's personality was larger than life. He enjoyed meeting people and took an instant liking to almost everyone. He loved to tease and used nicknames freely, whether creative ones he composed himself or old childhood nicknames he remembered – his own basketball name was Wild Man. He was musically talented and intellectually curious. When he considered a new recipe or yardwork challenge, he researched it like a scholar. Above all, he

was open, generous, and kind.

David is survived by his wife, Marilyn King Reece; son and daughter-in-law David Zane Reece II and Amy; daughters and sons-in-law Alicia Presta and Sestino, Joan Swan and Ryan, and Rachel Miller and Michael; sister and brother-in-law Judy Crowley and John; grandchildren, Dylan, Kailyn, Reece, Chloe, Trey, Aaron, Adam, Ashlynn, Chase, Hannah, and Luke; and beloved nieces and cousins.

A funeral service will be 2 p.m. Saturday at Wilson Funeral Home with burial following in Glenwood Cemetery. The family will receive friends Friday from 4 until 7 p.m. The family is accepting flowers or memorial contributions may be made to The American Diabetes Association, 3918 Montclair Road, Suite 218, Birmingham, AL 35213.

Cemetery Details

Glenwood Cemetery

1002 Grand Avenue SW
Fort Payne, AL 35967

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 26. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Wilson Funeral Home
3801 Gault Ave. N
Fort Payne, AL 35967

Funeral Service

FEB 27. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *David Ronald Reece*

January 12, 2023 at 10:45 AM



“ *My condolences go to the family of David.
Stephen Beaty in Warner Robins, Georgia*

Stephen Beaty - September 09, 2016 at 09:03 PM



“ *Daniel Knox lit a candle in memory of David
Ronald Reece*



Daniel Knox - February 26, 2016 at 02:02 PM



“ *Dr. Habel's Office lit a candle in memory of
David Ronald Reece*



Dr. Habel's Office - February 25, 2016 at 12:53 PM



Dr. Habel's Office

Dr. Habel's - February 25, 2016 at 12:54 PM

SS

“ Sharon Sledd lit a candle in memory of David Ronald Reece



Sharon Sledd - February 25, 2016 at 12:44 PM

GM

“ Gary S Mattox lit a candle in memory of David Ronald Reece



gary s mattox - February 25, 2016 at 11:03 AM

MP

“ Maria Presta lit a candle in memory of David Ronald Reece



Maria Presta - February 25, 2016 at 08:29 AM

PP

“ Palmira Presta lit a candle in memory of David Ronald Reece



Palmira Presta - February 25, 2016 at 08:28 AM

SH

“ David was a dear friend that I grew up with from Mrs. Hulsey's kindergarten through Fort Payne High School and after. He was sweet and funny and a good friend. He will be greatly missed.



Sarah Tate Haase - February 24, 2016 at 07:07 PM

CL

“ So sorry to hear of David's passing. He was a wonderful person. He will be missed by all. Gerald Don and Carol Laney

carol laney - February 24, 2016 at 05:41 PM

NT

“ Natalie Tallent lit a candle in memory of David Ronald Reece



Natalie Tallent - February 24, 2016 at 04:57 PM

PF

“ Palmira Presta & Family purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of David Ronald Reece.



Palmira Presta & Family - February 24, 2016 at 04:51 PM