



Joel B. Burt

October 21, 1953 - March 23, 2025

It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of Joel Burt, a beloved husband, father, and friend, who left us on March 23 at the age of 71. Joel was a man known for his warmth, generosity, and infectious sense of fun. His life was defined by joviality, hospitality, and a genuine interest in everyone he met. Despite the challenges of multiple strokes over the past seven years, Joel remained resilient, always striving to live life fully with his beloved wife, Angela, by his side. Joel shared 47 years of love and companionship with Angela, often saying, “She is a good one,” his favorite expression of admiration for her.

Joel had a remarkable gift for connecting with others, a trait reflected in his diverse and colorful career. He wore many hats throughout life—meat market manager, construction worker, Fort Payne City School bus driver, golf superintendent, and restaurant owner. Joel co-owned JT’s Fish House with his lifelong friend, Tommy Banks, and, in retirement, he and Angela ran an antique shop together. His adventurous spirit and zest for life left an indelible mark on all who had the privilege of knowing him.

Joel will be dearly missed, but his legacy of laughter and love will live on in the hearts and memories of all who knew him. He is survived by his beloved wife, Angela; his daughters, Staci Mackey and her husband Greg of Cedar Bluff, AL, and Dee Dee Martz and her husband Reed of Lookout Mountain, TN; his

cherished grandchildren, Gabriel Martz, Margaret Martz, Jonathan Martz, Anna Martz, and Claire Martz; his sister, Kandi Burt; and his beloved pets, Peppy and Sassy Mae, who brought him much joy. Joel was preceded in death by his parents, Pat and Jeanette Burt.

A memorial visitation to celebrate the life of Joel will be held on Saturday, April 12th from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. at Wilson Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests donations be made to Full Gospel Church, c/o Rev. James Wells, 16070 US Hwy 411 North, Centre, AL 35960. Joel cherished his new church community and would be honored to support their efforts to improve accessibility for those with mobility challenges.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

APR **12**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall

CL

“ Cheryl Little sent a virtual gift in memory of Joel B. Burt



Cheryl Little - April 08, 2025 at 07:27 AM

SB

“ We will sure miss Joel, calling to check on us. You could count on getting a call about once a week. He always brought up the Texas Rattle Snake I gave him one time and he kept it for quite a while. God bless you Joel. Sonny Burt

Sonny Burt - March 28, 2025 at 09:33 PM

BB

“ I've only known Joel and Angela for about four years. I moved to Sunset Shores Condos in late 2020. I was always greeted by a sweet smile and a happy hello from Joel and loved to hear his stories. He was a character! I'll miss him. Thankful to still have Angela as a friend and neighbor.

Bonnie Best - March 26, 2025 at 01:40 PM

MM

“ Joel was truly one of a kind. He never met a stranger, only people he had never met yet. Everyone who met Joel was blessed, especially me. I miss him. God blessed us with Joel.

Michael B Martz - March 26, 2025 at 11:51 AM

TH

“ Lots of memories with Joel. Softball golf duck hunts and many fishing trips together. Always enjoyed our times together. Really good guy.

terry hawkins - March 25, 2025 at 10:02 PM

DH

“ Joel was my cousin and I have memories of him when I was young. I remember him and Kandi (his sister) fighting and me and Jeanette ran to the laundry room lol. I remember when he was helping coach our softball team. He challenged me to the game of burn out.. He regretted that decision haha!! Rest in peace Joel see you later❤️

Denise Ham - March 25, 2025 at 02:25 PM

NB

Joel was my cousin. I didn't grow up close to him as I live in Atl. I remember when we would visit he was always funny and unpredictable. He made me chew Rabbit Tobacco and I have never forgotten it. He thought it was hysterical. I wasn't a fan!! RIP Joel... u will be missed.❤️

Nan Boone - March 25, 2025 at 03:09 PM

RJ

Rodney Jones
I have known Joel for over fifty years. Back in the seventies we would play tennis together and he would play barefoot on an asphalt court in the summertime. Remarkable person

Rodney Jones - April 10, 2025 at 10:37 PM