



Rev. Ronnie Lamar Champion

June 1, 1947 - August 31, 2022

Mr. Ronnie Lamar Champion, age 75, passed away, Wednesday, August 31, 2022 at his home in Atmore, AL; surrounded by family at his bedside. He was born June 1, 1947 in Graceville, FL; then resided in Pace, FL; for a while before moving to Atmore, AL; for the past 14 years. He served in the United States Army for many years and awarded several medals for his honor, especially the Purple Heart and Bronze Star Medals. He was a Baptist Minister serving many local churches in Escambia, AL; Escambia, FL; and Santa Rosa, FL; for many years.

Mr. Champion valued the time he got to spend with his family. He was an avid fisherman. He spent many hours studying and researching the bible. He loved spreading the gospel and bringing people to Jesus. If you know Ronnie you knew he loved the Lord and wanted everyone else to him also.

He is preceded in death by his father, Barney Ben Champion, and one granddaughter, Laura Cost.

He is survived by his mother, Eunice Collins Champion, of Milton, FL; his loving wife of 52 years, Carolyn Champion, of Atmore, AL; one son, Derek (Tammy) Champion, of Sacramento, CA; one daughter, Deidre Champion (Jimmy) Peck, of Pace, FL; two brothers, Dennis (Patricia) Champion, of Kennesaw, GA; Stanley Champion, of Milton, FL; eight grandchildren, Hunter

(Alyssa) Hughes, of Pace, FL; Brittany Godwin, of Pace, FL; Madilynn Peck, of Pace, FL; Ryan Peck, of Pace, FL; Courtney McGrath, of Sacramento, CA; Whitney (Cory) Batterson, of Robertsdale, AL; Hayden Champion, of Robertsdale, AL; eleven great-grandchildren, numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

Funeral service will be held Wednesday, September 7, 2022 at 11:00 AM at Pine Level Baptist Church with Rev. Joseph Kennedy officiating.

Burial will follow at Pine Level Cemetery.

Visitation will be held Wednesday, September 7, 2022 from 10:15 AM until service time at 11:00 AM at Pine Level Baptist Church.

Petty-Eastside Chapel Funeral Home LLC. in charge of all arrangements
Atmore, Alabama.

Cemetery Details

Pine Level Cemetery

Jay, FL 32565

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 7. 10:15 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Pine Level Baptist Church
3300 Pine Level Church Road
Jay, FL 32565

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr Champion was my neighbor and was one of the nicest people I ever met. He always talked about Jesus but he was never “pushy” with his faith. He wanted everyone to have a relationship with Jesus and just by knowing Mr Champion, you could see Jesus living and working through him. Mr Champion was a great Christian witness, a wonderful neighbor, and an even better friend! He is truly missed!*

Kelley Martin - December 12, 2022 at 05:40 AM

KP

“ *Bro. Ronnie was a Godly man and an amazing person. I admired his faith. He made a difference in so many lives. I was blessed to know him as my pastor and call him my friend. He will truly be missed. ~ Kim Porter-Rhodes*

Kim Porter-Rhodes - September 06, 2022 at 12:08 PM

MC

“ *Mother, Dennis, Pat, and Stanley Champion purchased the Multicolor Bright Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Rev. Ronnie Lamar Champion.*



Mother, Dennis, Pat, and Stanley Champion - September 02, 2022 at 12:58 PM

SP

“ *Matthew 4:19 And He said unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men...remembering our Baptist pastor with so much love and respect, and a bit of humor about the boat named visitation;) David and Sharen Phillips*

sharen Phillips - September 02, 2022 at 09:22 AM