



Mr. William Thomas Hornbuckle

July 21, 1937 - December 18, 2020

William Thomas Hornbuckle, 83, of Woodville Alabama, passed away Friday, December 18, 2020. William was born in Huntsville, Alabama to Estella Chambles on July 21st, 1937. At the age 15 years old with only an 8th grade education, Tom made his way to Chicago hoping to make a life for himself and to have a little fun along the way. The fun began when Tom met his wife Sandi at the age of 19. They were married on October 25th, 1957 and had three children, Kathy, Debbie and Ron. A proud member of the Teamsters Union, Local 705, Tom enjoyed a long career as a truck driver for Patent Scaffolding, where he made deliveries of scaffolding materials all over the city of Chicago. He often bragged of his ability to drive his flatbed semi-truck through lower Wacker Drive, a forest of concrete pillars two stories below Chicago's city streets, a harrowing feat for the uninitiated. After 30 years with the Teamsters Union, Thomas retired to Woodville, Alabama with his wife Sandi in 2002. They spent their retirement enjoying their shared love of travel, and individual hobbies; Sandi at St. Jude's Catholic Church of Scottsboro, and Tom on his fishing boat on Lake Guntersville.

Tom was a dedicated Husband, Father, Grandfather and Friend. A man of many interests and endless hobbies, he loved the outdoors: fishing, camping, boating, planting a garden, working in his yard and summers with his grandchildren. Despite his lack of schooling he was a voracious reader. He loved newspapers, and biographies, José Feliciano, Johnny Cash, a hot cup

of coffee, trucker hats, day trips, one liners, the Chicago Cubs, Bears and Bulls, his wife's cooking, vintage pickup trucks, westerns, guitars, stray cats, Bernie Sanders and shooting pool — even winning first place in a pool tournament at Steve's Billiards & Lounge in 2013 at the age of 76. He made the best scrambled eggs, sausage and biscuits this side of the Mississippi. His spirit and sense of humor will be deeply missed, but what he taught us will always remain: to be honest and to have integrity, to be hardworking and enjoy life whenever you can... as he would often quote his wife, "live while you're alive".

He is survived by his daughters, Kathy Stevens of Camden, SC and Debra Wescott of Lugoff, SC; grandchildren, Robert Bradley III & Daniel Bradley of Dothan, Alabama, Kara Hornbuckle of Chicago IL, Jennifer Hornbuckle of Bolingbrook, IL, Kayla Ferguson of MD, Franklin Stevens of Myrtle Beach SC, and Sandy Wescott of Lugoff, SC.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Sandi Hornbuckle; son, Ronald Hornbuckle; and mother, Estella Chambles.

A memorial of his life will be held Friday, January 8, 2021 from 11:00am-1:00pm at Scottsboro Funeral Home, followed by a graveside service at Sanders Mill Creek Cemetery. All Covid protocols are to be strictly followed. Masks will be required to be worn at all times.

Arrangements entrusted to Scottsboro Funeral Home

Cemetery Details

Sanders Mill Creek Cemetery

Co. Rd. 544
Scottsboro, AL 35768

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 8. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (cst)

Scottsboro Funeral Home
1502 County Park Road
Scottsboro, AL 35769
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Graveside Service

JAN 8. 2:00 PM (cst)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. William Thomas Hornbuckle*

October 05, 2023 at 01:26 AM



“ *84 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Scottsboro Funeral Home and Pinehaven Memorial Gardens - January 08, 2021
at 10:14 AM



“ *Keith and Tina Johnson purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of Mr. William Thomas Hornbuckle.*



Keith and Tina Johnson - January 07, 2021 at 11:22 AM



“ *Heavenly Heights Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. William Thomas Hornbuckle.*



January 06, 2021 at 01:47 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mr. William Thomas Hornbuckle.*



January 05, 2021 at 09:56 AM



“ *What a honor to get to know this great, hardworking man. We loved his visits. Rest In Peace dear Tom.*

Joan Dieperink - January 05, 2021 at 08:51 AM

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“ My grandpa was one of the greatest men in my life. He always told you exactly how it was and what he was thinking. He had the best one liners. Hearing on of his jokes after a long day always made me feel better. He taught me to speak up and speak out about what I believed in. He was truly one of a kind. Grandpa was the first to teach me drive a car, boat, 4 wheeler the list goes on. We loved visiting the lake together he taught me to fish and never got to upset with when I tangled the fishing line every time (and I did manage to tangle it every time). He took in every stray animal that came his way. I'll miss hearing him telling me to have a bon jovie day. I'll miss his voice, I'll miss his hugs, and his words of wisdom, I'll miss his stories about growing up in Alabama and Chicago. You were one of a kind grandpa. I promise to keep your stories alive. I'll miss you forever.

Love always

Jennifer

Jennifer - December 21, 2020 at 12:48 AM



“ *My dearest daddy you were my first love and have been the best father anyone could ask for. You made a beautiful life with mom and made so many beautiful memories with our family, friends anyone that met you. You will be missed dearly by me. I will miss our daily phone calls, our fun time's together when I would come see you. We worked our butt's off but we always had a wonderful dinner out. I will miss our sitting on the porch watching the star's and beautiful mountains that surrounded your beautiful little home. .listening to the stories you use to tell me over and over about your childhood growing up poor, and falling in love with momma and we became a family. This is called the circle of life and it hurts so much to say goodbye until we meet again. Not keep the lights on anymore I'll get there soon, and I would pull up and you'd be cooking away.listening to music Happy Times Dancing together what a beautiful memory playing the organ like we were teenagers lol. I love you and will treasure all our memories. Love you always your baby girl Debby!*
xoxo 🍷👏

Debby Wescott - December 20, 2020 at 08:01 PM