



Mr. Lee Roy Gaddy

November 28, 1934 - August 23, 2016

Lee Roy Gaddy, 81, of Alexander, husband of Betty Nelon Gaddy, died August 23, 2016 at Saint Joseph Hospital. Lee Roy was the son of the late Clarence and Flossie Wynnes Gaddy.

Lee Roy is survived by his children Dan (Susan), David (Marie), and Debra Gaddy; grandchildren Dr. Jeremiah Gaddy (Alice), Jessica Carter (Steven), and Alison Gaddy; three great grandchildren Killian, Lucy, and Vann Carter; plus several nieces and nephews. He is also survived by Betty's children Terry (Kimberly), Vickie Phillips (Jon), and Michael (Ashley). His brothers are Robert of Candler, Ralph (Dixie) of Dewy Rose, Ga, and Jennings (Rosemary) of Cary, NC and his sister Martha Cassidy of Cleveland, TN. He was preceded in death by sisters Hazel Bumgarner, Wilda Linkous, and Dorothy Williams.

Lee Roy attended Candler High School and Western Carolina University. He retired from the Veteran's Administration after 40 years as a research scientist. Some research projects were cutting-edge studies with heart valves. During that time he received numerous awards.

With his family they shared an active farm life in Candler. The farm included crops and cattle. Everyone admired the gorgeous and functional farm.

Woodworking skills were one of his many talents as seen in tables and cabinets and houses which he built on the farm. He and his first wife Louise Masters loved their farm life.

Lee Roy was blessed to have 2 special women in his life. His first wife Louise gave him over 55 years of love and happiness. After her passing in 2010, a life-long friend became his 2nd love. The former Betty Nelson became his 2nd wife for the last 5 years of his life. They were both members at Asbury Memorial United Methodist Church for over 50 years.

From 2011 to 2016, Lee Roy and Betty enjoyed retired life. The large lawn of their home in Alexander was a show place of flowers and vegetable gardens. Lee embraced the freedom to travel and explore new places abroad and in the states with Betty.

Lee Roy's celebration of life will be held on Friday, August 26, 2016, at Asbury Memorial United Methodist Church, 170 Beaverdam Road, North Asheville. Visitation will be 1 hour before the 2pm service with the Rev. Dan Gaddy officiating. Following a graveside service, a reception will be held in the fellowship hall.

In lieu of flowers, a contribution to the cemetery fund would be greatly appreciated.

Cemetery Details

Asbury Memorial United Methodist Church Cemetery

Asheville, NC

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 26. 1:00 PM (ET)

Asbury Memorial United Methodist Church
171 Beaverdam Road
Asheville, NC 28804
<http://www.asburymemorialumc.com>

Memorial Service

AUG 26. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Lee Roy Gaddy*

October 07, 2023 at 11:15 AM



“ *I'm sorry to hear that your dad passed away, Dan, David and Debra. My thoughts and prayers are with you and all who loved him.*

Janice Panza - September 14, 2016 at 11:19 PM



“ *Dan, David and Debra, I am very sorry to hear of your dad's passing. I always enjoyed spending time camping and hanging out at your farm when we were in high school. Both your parents were wonderful people and I pray for comfort during this time and that God will frequently bring back great memories of your dad in the days ahead. Eric Parker*

Eric Parker - August 27, 2016 at 12:34 PM



“ *Betty: My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family, in deepest sympathy. Love, Mary Ann Wells*

Mary Ann Wells - August 26, 2016 at 03:29 PM



“ *Dear David: We are thinking of you and your family today. We can tell that your father was loved and was a dear man. We hope God will surround you all with His love so that you won't be overwhelmed with grief, but have confidence in goodness and strength to meet the days to come. ~ Sharon and Marie, Tower Associates*

Sharon Wilcox Moulds - August 26, 2016 at 10:31 AM

KJ

“ Dan: A harvest of pleasant memories come to mind when we remember your dear parents, Louise and Lee Roy, as well as Betty Nelon and her family. May God strengthen you and your family in your loss. -- Kenneth M. & Evelyn G. Johnson (Asbury Memorial: 1964-1967)

Kenneth M. Johnson - August 25, 2016 at 09:16 AM

EW

“ We are very sorry to hear of the passing of Mr. Gaddy. He and his family have been wonderful neighbors for many years. Mr. Gaddy was a good friend to my mom and dad through the years and was always kind and helpful. He will be missed!

Eddie and Amy Warren - August 24, 2016 at 07:12 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Lee Roy Gaddy.



August 24, 2016 at 04:06 PM

KA

“ Hi my name is Kayla and I am a local bible teacher. I am so sorry for the loss of your loved one. There is a very comforting scripture at Isaiah 25:8. It says that soon Jehovah will swallow up death forever and that he will wipe away all of the tears. So we can all look forward to a time when death will be no more. I hope that this scripture can bring some true comfort during these difficult times.

kayla - August 23, 2016 at 04:27 PM