



Mr. Gayron J Finlay

July 21, 1943 - August 19, 2024

Gayron passed away on August 19th, 2024, surrounded by loved ones. He was born in Richton, MS to Ethridge and Della Mae Finlay in 1943. He met the love of his life, Maudie Clements, in his childhood and they went on to be married for 57 years. During those years they had a beautiful family together and he spent his career working for Scott/Kimberly Clark Papermill for over 35 years. Throughout his life he was an active church member and deacon, finishing his service at Orchard Baptist Church, where he loved his church family. He grew up riding horses, playing softball, and loving Alabama football.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Etheridge and Della Mae Finlay, his loving wife Maudie C. Finlay, his son John G. Finlay, and his sister Gladies Kountz. He is survived by his daughters, Maureen F. Pickle and Angela F. Barrett (Layne). His grandchildren Victoria Pickle-Wagner (Garrett), Jason Barrett (Krystin), and Mathew Barrett. His great grandchild Marley Barrett. His

siblings Becky Williams, Troy Finlay (Brenda), and his nieces and nephews. His honorary daughter in law Danniell Davis, granddaughter Samantha Hobby, and great grandchildren Brooks, Gannon, and Andalyn. His two loving and playful cats Elvis and Tiki.

“JR” will be honored in a memorial service at Orchard Baptist Church on August 31 st , 2024, at 10am. Please come in your best Alabama football attire. In lieu of flowers, if you would like to make a donation, the family requests you make it to the Orchard Baptist Church Benevolence Fund.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

AUG 31. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Orchard Baptist Church
6960 Overlook Rd
Mobile , AL 36618

Tribute Wall

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“ J.R. was a "father figure" to many of us in our group of friends whose Dads had already gone to Heaven. He loved us and treated us like his own. Always a joy to be around, laughing, making jokes, and just being that person that we could always count on, even if it was just for a big old bear hug. This earth will never quite be the same without him, but we know he is waiting, just on the other side, ready with another hug as soon as we see him again. Maureen, Angela, Layne, Tori and Garrett, we love you.... thank you so much for sharing this special man with all of us!

Sharon Kersey - August 22, 2024 at 09:45 PM

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“ My family and I have known J.R. for many years. They went to New Hope Baptist Church. He and Maudie were my young adult sunday school teacher. We haven't seen him in a while. We usually run into him at Walmart. He has always been a great example of a Christian father and husband. He will truely be missed. Sending prayers for the family. From the Norton Family.

Catraina Norton - August 22, 2024 at 06:21 PM

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“ I have only known JR and his family for a short time but my wife, Vickie, has known them for a long time. JR was a wonderful man who demonstrated his love for Christ and his fellow man with every fiber of his being. Laughing and joking was his favorite way to express himself but when it was time to speak of Jesus or his church he was very serious. I have never heard anyone sing "Victory in Jesus" like JR and to think that he is experiencing that now is amazing!! Love you JR!! Praying for Maureen, Angela, Tori and family.

Brian Dorsett

Brian Dorsett - August 21, 2024 at 05:35 PM