



## Mr Philip Raoul Benson

December 4, 1941 - November 17, 2025

Philip R. Benson, age 83, died on Monday November 17, 2025, in Mobile, Alabama. Philip was a loving husband and father who enjoyed fishing and spending time on Dauphin Island with his family. He was an active member of Christ United Methodist Church in Mobile, leading Sunday School classes and multiple Bible study sessions. Philip enlisted in the U.S. Airforce in 1964 and served for 4 years. After being discharged, he attended Troy University and graduated with a bachelor's degree in accounting. He obtained his license as a Certified Public Accountant and worked in the accounting field until his retirement. Upon retirement, he was elected as the Mobile County Treasurer where he served for 12 years.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Harlan and Neva Benson, his wife Patricia Hemphill Benson, and a great-granddaughter Kellie Rae Benson. He is survived by his two daughters Debora Pearce (Don) and Tracy Avery, grandchildren Hunter Benson, Taylor Avery, and Matthew Pearce, great-grandchildren Cory Benson and Emily Avery, sisters Adie Keeley and Sylvia Jackson, a niece, 3 nephews and countless friends and colleagues.

Visitation will be held at Cottage Hill Memorial Funeral Home in Mobile, AL on Monday, November 24th from 4:00pm-6:00pm with a service following at

6:00pm. Burial services will be held at 9:00 am at Alabama State Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Spanish Fort, AL.

# Cemetery Details

## Alabama State Veterans Memorial Cemetery at Spanish Fort

34904 Alabama Highway 225  
Spanish Fort, AL 36527

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **24**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Cottage Hill Memorial Funeral Home  
7158 Cottage Hill Road  
Mobile, AL 36695  
(251) 380-6601

## Service

NOV **24**. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Cottage Hill Memorial Funeral Home  
7158 Cottage Hill Road  
Mobile, AL 36695  
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## Graveside Service

NOV **25**. 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM (CT)

Alabama State Veterans Memorial Cemetery at Spanish Fort  
34904 Alabama Highway 225  
Spanish Fort, AL 36527



# Tribute Wall

PM

“ *Mr. Phil was a real character and fun to be with. I supported him in some of his political endeavors and always enjoyed seeing him. Prayers for his family.*

Pete Marston - November 24, 2025 at 01:59 PM

KF

“ *Kennedy and Strickland Families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr Philip Raoul Benson.*

Kennedy and Strickland Families - November 22, 2025 at 11:01 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr Philip Raoul Benson.*



November 22, 2025 at 11:01 AM

AK

“ *Adrienne K. purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Mr Philip Raoul Benson.*



Adrienne K. - November 21, 2025 at 02:45 PM

SJ

“ *Sylvia, Jeff, Madeline, Kim, Jim planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr Philip Raoul Benson.*

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**Sylvia, Jeff, Madeline, Kim, Jim** - November 20, 2025 at 06:20 PM



“ *Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Mr Philip Raoul Benson.*



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November 20, 2025 at 06:20 PM