



Richard R. Grooms, Jr.

September 22, 1946 - February 20, 2026

Richard R. Grooms, Jr., age 79, of Loganville, Georgia, passed away peacefully on February 20, 2026 with his family by his side. Born September 22, 1946, in Gulfport, Mississippi, Richard lived a life defined by faith, devotion to family, and service to others.

Richard served his country for a short period in the United States Army earning the distinction of Army Ranger, after which, Richard served in Vietnam. He found great joy in the simple blessings of life—deer hunting, fishing, working with wood, cheering on his Georgia Bulldogs, and most of all, spending time with his beloved family. He retired from DeKalb County Fire Department after 23 ½ years of service and then started building houses.

Richard was a man everyone wanted as a friend.

Richard has been a member of First Baptist Church Loganville for forty years.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ray Grooms and Inez Grooms; two brothers, Walter Grooms and Gary Grooms.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 55 years, Becky Grooms; his loving children, Ray Grooms (Heather), Heather Lawson (Wayne), Courtney Jordan (Greg); grandchildren, Philip Corbett, Elizabeth Corbett, Victoria Grooms,

Bradley Lawson, Carter Lawson, Richard Grooms, IV, and Savannah Lawson; one great granddaughter, Carolyn Corbett; brothers and sisters-in-law, Michael (Pam) Grooms and Russell (Jenny) Grooms; several cherished nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of Life will be on Saturday, February 28, 2026 at First Baptist Church Loganville, 680 Tom Brewer Road. The family will receive visitors at the church beginning at 1:00 PM and the service will begin at 2:00 PM, led by Pastor Jimmy Wilson, Pastor Rick Bene, and Pastor Ronnie Kendall.

Arrangements by Tim Stewart Funeral Home, 670 Tom Brewer Road, Loganville, GA 30052. 770-466-1544. Please sign the online guest registry at www.stewartfh.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 28. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Loganville
680 Tom Brewer Road
Loganville, GA 30052

Celebration of Life

FEB 28. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Richard R. Grooms, Jr..*



February 28 at 09:55 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Richard R. Grooms, Jr..

February 28 at 09:55 AM



“ *My husband, Thom, met both Becky's father, Boyce, and her husband Richard, in the mid '70's when he began to work for the DeKalb County Fire Department. Thom considers it an honor to have worked with two such strong, Christian men. As the expression goes...Richard "talked the talk and walked the walk" never veering from the Christian role model he was regardless of the bad or trying situations he was given. Thom's shift relieved Richard's shift for a period of time giving Thom the opportunity to begin each shift with an enjoyable visit with Richard. And, Becky was our daughter's Sunday School teacher. Together, Richard and Becky made a formidable team "handing out" love wherever they ventured. As Thom puts it,... he considers it a privilege to have known and received Richard's friendship, leadership, kindness, and support over the past five decades. Richard is loved and admired.*

Beth and Thom Batchelder - February 28 at 08:24 AM

NM

“ The first time we met Richard and Becky at church, before he even said hello, he announced that his son was going to marry our daughter ! The reason being is they both had red hair ! Holly was in first grade at the time and Ray was not much older ! We raised our kids together in the church and so many wonderful memories together. Richard is rejoicing now with the Lord and he has no more pain ! I am praying for his family because I know how much they are hurting without him with them. We all will be together in Glory in the Lord's perfect time. I love you all so very much.

Norma Grace Miller - February 25 at 09:45 PM

JT

“ Jennifer T. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard R. Grooms, Jr..

Jennifer T. - February 25 at 09:29 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Richard R. Grooms, Jr..



February 24 at 07:17 PM



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February 24 at 07:17 PM

DB

“ From worshiping in church together many years ago to taking a trip out west together (lots of motorcycle riding) we have so many memories of Richard and our times together. Our thoughts love and prayers to all the family! RIP ole friend!

Debra Bryant - February 24 at 06:52 AM

DR

“ Prayers for you, Courtney and your Family.



Dianne Ray - February 23 at 08:41 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Richard R. Grooms, Jr..



February 23 at 08:34 PM

TG

“ The Coursey Family- Jerry, Sherry & Gary purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Richard R. Grooms, Jr..



The Coursey Family- Jerry, Sherry & Gary - February 23 at 06:57 PM

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“ *The Coursey Family- Jerry, Sherry & Gary planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Richard R. Grooms, Jr..*

The Coursey Family- Jerry, Sherry & Gary - February 23 at 06:57 PM

TB

“ *Our first time with Richard and Becky was at Ridgecrest on a ski weekend thru the church group, We had so much fun laughing and sharing stories. He was kind and caring thru all the years we new him. We were blessed to know him.*

Tom & Mary Balkcom - February 23 at 04:38 PM