



Ray Albert Rau

May 13, 1931 - September 29, 2024

The staff at Heishman Funeral Home Inc. sends condolences to the family of Ray Albert Rau.

Ray Albert Rau, 93, of Woodstock, passed away Sunday, September 29, 2024, at Winchester Medical Center. A graveside service will be held Saturday, October 5 at 10:30 am at Sunset View Memorial Gardens in Woodstock. Pastor Derek Ritenour will officiate.

Mr. Rau was born May 13, 1931, in Woodstock, son of the late Nevin Ford Rau and Beulah Boyce Rau. He was a 1949 graduate of Woodstock High School and served in the US Army. He went to work in 1949 at C&R Chevrolet and then in 1958 joined Grubbs Chevrolet where he became Vice President. He was a member Mt. Calvary United Church Of Christ in Woodstock, Woodstock Moose Lodge #575, and Edinburg VFW Post #2447. He was preceded in death by his wife, Berkley Irene Frye Rau, whom he married on June 2, 1956; two sisters, Regena Miller and Anna Mae Walker; and brother, Marvin Rau.

Ray is survived by two brothers, Riley Rau and wife Carole of Woodstock and Ronnie Rau and wife Rhonda of Edinburg; and his niece and nephew whom he thought of as his own children, Tina Rau of Woodstock and Douglas Rau and wife Deana of Jerome; as well as other nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers will be Jordan Rau, Tristan Rau, Matt Pirtle, Greg Kibler, Kevin Gutshall, Otis Miller Jr., Greg Jones, and Randy Jones.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Mt. Calvary UCC, 1299 Sheetz Mill Road, Woodstock, VA 22664 or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis TN 38105-9959.

Cemetery Details

Sunset View Memorial Gardens

2677 Fravel Rd
Woodstock, VA 22664

Previous Events

Graveside Service

OCT 5. 10:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

AP

“ With our deepest sympathy , Phil & April Baker

April - October 04, 2024 at 03:03 PM

JB

“ Riley and Carole, Ronnie and Rhonda, Tina and Doug and families - I'm sorry to hear of Ray's passing. He was a genuinely kind and caring person. Mom and Daddy always spoke fondly of him and noted his devotion to Berkley. He was one of the good guys. Blessings to you all.

Judy Bauserman - October 02, 2024 at 11:10 PM

RS

“ Very sorry to hear of Ray's passing he was a good man.

Mr. & Mrs. Richard A Pence Sr.

Richard A Pence Sr - October 02, 2024 at 06:17 PM

KF

“ Prayers for family and friends. Ray was a great man. He was my boss when I worked at Grubbs Chevrolet used car department in the mid to late 1980s. After my mother passed I found out that she and Ray were classmates (I have the class of '49 trip to W. D.C. group photo). Ray is part of many fond memories. Ray was the essential car salesman and an all around nice person. I know he will be missed!

Kevin & Anita Foltz - October 01, 2024 at 01:18 PM