



## Billy Ray Butler

October 28, 1942 - October 7, 2023

Billy Butler, 80, of Laurel, MS passed away Oct. 7th at Forrest General Hospital. Billy was a lifelong resident of Jones County.

Visitation will be held Monday, Oct. 9th from 5-8 p.m. Funeral service will be Tuesday, Oct. 10th at 2 p.m. at Memory Chapel. Burial will be at Pine Ridge Missionary Baptist Church cemetery. John Musgrove will officiate.

After graduating from Calhoun High School he joined the U.S. Navy and served aboard the U.S. Alabama. After the Navy, Billy joined the Laurel Fire Department. He held many positions, from Captain of Training Officer to Assistant Fire Chief. He eventually retired from fire department and spent his free time with the Country Cooks of Laurel playing golf at Dixie Golf and visiting his many friends at the American Legion Post 11.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Lily Butler; grandson, Jarred Butler; and step daughter, Cindy Roberts.

He is survived by his daughter, Regina Dennis (Ricky) of Laurel; son, Steven Butler (Ame) of Carrollton Ohio; sister, Cheryl Bufkin (G.V.) of Stringer; and brother, James Walters of Picayune and host of nieces and nephews; grandchildren, Britney Dennis (Mike), Cody Dennis (C.J.), Hannah Ferguson (Kylar), Sam Jones (Nick), Alexandra Carpenter (DiAnthoy) and Christopher Roberts; great grandchildren, Weslyn Gray, Palmer Dennis, Zion, Raef, Wilder Jones, Griffin Roberts, Cohen Ferguson and Chey And Chylene Roberts.

To sign the online guestbook, visit: [www.memorychapellaurel.com](http://www.memorychapellaurel.com)



# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **9**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Memory Chapel Funeral Home  
3100 Audubon Drive  
P. O. Box 674  
Laurel, MS 39440  
(601) 428-5235  
memorychapel@comcast.net  
<https://www.memorychapel laurel.com/>

## Funeral Service

OCT **10**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Regina and family;  
I'm so sorry to see that your dad has passed away. I have known  
Billy for many years, your mother also. I will keep you in my prayers  
for comfort. Love you!*  
*Lisa Smith*

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**Lisa Smith** - October 11, 2023 at 06:43 PM