



## Claudie L. "Jack" Ray

December 2, 1934 - December 24, 2023

Jack Ray, 89, of Ellisville, formerly of Philadelphia, MS, died Sunday, December 24, at Forrest General Hospital in Hattiesburg, MS.

Jack was born in Neshoba County, MS to Claude and Lois Ray on December 2, 1934.

He was a truck driver for 67 years, serving most of his career with Olen Burrage Trucking and Howard Transportation. He served four years in the U S Air Force. He was a Mason and Shriner.

Jack was loved by everyone who met him. He had a long and happy life. Jack always had a smile on his face, and no matter what he was facing, he continued to live and love others. His kindness, compassion and joyfulness made an impact on many lives. He loved his family very dearly, especially his grandchildren. Jack was known by his family as Paw Paw.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Claude Ray and Lois Ray; wife, Jean Ray; son, Michael Ray.

Survivors include two sisters, Jeraldine Lingle of Morton, MS and Walterine Fagan (Ralph) of Satsuma, AL; three grandsons, Josh Ray (Lacey) of Philadelphia, MS; Jeremy Ray (Heather) of Laurel, MS; Jimmy Hilburn of

Laurel, MS; two granddaughters, Erin Pitts of Laurel, MS and Mindy Cummings (Scott) of Sandersville, MS; three great-granddaughters, Kenley Pitts, Addison Ray, and Miley Ray; two great-grandsons, Mason Cummings and Dennon Pitts; one great-great grandson, Drayson Pitts; and daughter-in-law, Sandra Ray of San Antonio, TX.

Visitation will be held 5:00 to 8:00 in the evening on Wednesday, December 27th at Memory Chapel Funeral Home. No other services will be held.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Shriners Children's Hospital.

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 27. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Rest in peace pawpaw jack love you keep them 18 wheels turning shiny side up*

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**Andy Hall** - December 26, 2023 at 09:24 PM

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*RIP Jack, you will be missed!*

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**Dan & Debbie Nelson** - December 27, 2023 at 04:18 PM