



## Ernie Walton Roney Jr.

January 29, 1950 - September 21, 2021

Ernie Walton Roney Jr., born January 29, 1950, passed September 21, 2021 at the age of 71.

Ernie Jr. or “Bubba”, as his brother and sisters referred to him, grew up hunting and fishing in the woods of south Mississippi. He met and married his high school sweetheart, Pat, while attending R. H. Watkins High School in Laurel where he was known as “Big Ern” on the football field. He lived his entire life in this area. Ernie was an avid outdoorsman and aside from his family, his greatest life’s passions were travel, hiking, backpacking, and camping. He was a Scoutmaster for years and a positive influence for many young men. After a full career working for BellSouth and AT&T, he retired to the countryside of Jones County where he spent his days tending the many gardens around his log home in the woods, catching fish from his pond, and watching wildlife from the front porch. He had a giving heart and loved his savior Jesus Christ.

He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Pat and his two sons, Dr. Chris Roney and wife, Michelle of Birmingham, AL and son, Brad Roney of Laurel; grandchildren, Brooks Roney and Thomas Roney of Birmingham, and Jacob, Jonathan and Abigail Roney of Ellisville; and step-grandchildren, Mackenzie and Greer Calvert of Birmingham, AL.

He was the son of the late Ernie W. Roney and Agnes Roney of Laurel.

He leaves behind two sisters, Mildred Smith and husband, Howard Smith, and Diane Beckman; a brother, Dennis Roney; a niece, Teri Smith Keechle and husband, Alex of Dallas, Texas; and nephews, Greg Smith and wife, Heather of Roanoke, Virginia and Matthew Butts.

The services will be Saturday, September 25th at Kingston Assembly of God. Visitation at 1:00 p.m. and service at 1:30 p.m. Bro. Scott Davis will officiate.

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **25**. 1:00 PM (CT)

Kingston Assembly of God  
4637 Hwy 15 N  
Laurel, MS 39443

## Service

SEP **25**. 1:30 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Ken Jones lit a candle in memory of Ernie Walton Roney Jr.



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**Ken Jones** - January 17, 2022 at 10:42 AM

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“ Family,  
We are so very sorry to hear of Ernie's passing. I have fond memories of our school days at Watkins with him. Please know we are praying for all the family. May God bless and keep you and give you comfort in your time of loss.  
Charles Barry & Phyllis Daughdrill and Family.

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**Phyllis Daughdrill** - September 26, 2021 at 07:51 PM

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“ So many memories. Trips together. Worshipping together. Even working on the log house a little bit together. So many years. I love all of you and believe me I will be praying for you. No matter how much you know where he is and that he's better off, the missing him will not be easy. God bless all of you, Pat and family , Mildred, and his brother and other sister. Thinking and praying for you all.

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**Dora Jones** - September 24, 2021 at 08:32 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ernie Walton Roney Jr..*



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September 24, 2021 at 08:25 PM



“ *Dear Pat and family, I will always remember seeing you and Ernie together in high school. Your faith and love will be an important part of your grieving and healing process. Bless us and let God's love wrap you in comfort. My nightly prayers will include all of you.*  
*Pamela Bolander Johannes*

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**Pamela Bolander Johannes** - September 23, 2021 at 04:42 PM



“ *It is with great sadness to see the loss of such a great man. Prayers for the entire family and friends. May God continue to comfort everyone throughout the coming day.*

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**Thomas Walker** - September 23, 2021 at 03:40 PM