



Roger Dale Shepherd

January 7, 1946 - May 19, 2026

Roger Dale Shepherd was born on January 7, 1946, to Robert and Cecil Shepherd in Haynesville, LA. He was the youngest of five children. He passed away gently on May 19, 2026, at home surrounded by his family, following a long hard fight with Parkinson's.

Family members who preceded him in death were his parents; sisters Wendy Jones of Canton, MS, Bobbie Shepherd of Magnolia, AK, and Dorothy Welch of Farmerville, LA; mother and father-in-law Frances Delina Lyons, Senitte Newcomb, step-father-in-law Doyle Lyons; brother-in-law Kimble Newcomb; nephews Kent (Harlon) Walters Newcomb and Chris Shepherd; and sister-in-law Sandra.

He is survived by his wife Susan Dianne Shepherd (six weeks shy of their 59th anniversary); son Jason D. Shepherd and his precious wife Alice; grandson Corey H. Shepherd; brother J. R. (Sue) Shepherd, niece Regina (Gary) Kitchens; nephew Ken Walters (Rosa) as well as many more nieces and nephews; and his fur babies Spanky and Sophie.

Visitation will be held on Friday, May 22, 2026, from 5 until 8 p.m. at Memory Chapel Funeral Home in Laurel, MS. The funeral service will be held on Saturday, May 23, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. at Freedom Baptist Church followed by interment at Myrick Cemetery. Bro. Jason Poole will officiate.

Pallbearers will be John Thomas Sumrall and employees of Free State Milling, Inc., who are all extended family.

We would like to thank Comfort Care Hospice for their care at home over the last several weeks. We would also like to thank our dear friends, Wendy Langley and Bobbie Jo Vanrassen, for the care and love they have provided.

To view or sign the online guest book, visit www.memorychapellaurel.com.

Cemetery Details

Myrick Cemetery

1490 Lower Myrick Road
Laurel, MS 39443

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 22. 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/>

Service

MAY 23. 10:00 AM (CT)

Freedom Baptist Church
971 Freedom Rd
Laurel, MS 39443

Tribute Wall

RF

“ Robert palmer & family purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Roger Dale Shepherd.



Robert palmer & family - May 21 at 09:30 PM

RF

“ Robert palmer & family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Roger Dale Shepherd.

Robert palmer & family - May 21 at 09:30 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Roger Dale Shepherd.



May 20 at 10:35 PM

RB

“ Roger was our uncle for most of our lives! He was such a kind, caring man to everyone. I always remember that he took me to Myrick for school up until Dianne graduated NEJ. Every day he drove us!! Having a relationship like Roger & Dianne's, over so many years, was what I always wanted.

Roger was a very special part of our family. He always supplied delicious deer meat...'cause know that man loved hunting! He left a great mark on all of us and we are better for it! We will miss him very much until we see him again!

Dianne, Jason, Alice, & Corey. We love you all so much and are so sorry for the loss of your rock! We know Roger is healthy & at peace & will be watching over all of you.

Regina Walters Kitchens "Gina Baby" - May 20 at 06:26 PM

JG

“ So sad to read that Roger had passed away. Roger was a very close friend of Wayne Graham. I heard so many stories about the hunting trips and target practice those to friends had. Roger and Wayne always tried to get the best deer, best rifle/gun and best target shots. I can see them talking and reminiscing about there Tim as friends. You are in my prayers. Judy Graham

judy graham - May 20 at 01:50 PM

KW

“ Such a Great Uncle, Husband, Father, Grandfather!!! He taught me the value of hard work when I was very young.

Miss you Uncle Roger
Ken Walters

Ken Walters - May 20 at 10:46 AM