



## Don Ray

April 19, 1943 - January 2, 2022

Funeral Services for Don Ray, age 78 of Bell Buckle will be held on Wednesday, January 5, 2022 at 11:00 am from the chapel of Gowen-Smith with Brother Eddie Reed officiating. Burial will follow at Hickory Hill Cemetery in Chestnut Ridge.

Friends may visit at the funeral home on Tuesday, January 4, 2022 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm and on Wednesday, January 5, 2022 from 10:00 am until the time of service. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital at 501 St. Jude Place Memphis, Tennessee 38105

The family has stated that everyone must wear a mask to the visitation and funeral service for Mr. Ray. Please honor their request.

Mr. Ray passed away on Sunday, January 2, 2022 at his residence surrounded by his loving family.

Don was born on Monday, April 19, 1943 in Giles County, Tennessee to the late Gus and Winona Williams Ray. He was a diesel mechanic and a member of Living Stones Community Church in Shelbyville. Mr. Ray served in the United States Air Force and we owe him a debt of gratitude for his service. In 1969, he married Ruby Prosser Ray who survives him, and they have shared 52 years together.

Other survivors include his children: Julia Floyd of Winchester, Jennifer Caldwell of Bell Buckle and Donna Sanders of Shelbyville. He is survived by one sister: Jessie (Pete) Barb, two brother in laws: Leland Brown and Jimmy Price, nine grandchildren, five great grandchildren and several nieces and

nephews.

Along with his parents, he was preceded in death by seven siblings: William, Tony, Morgan, Robert Glen and Lewis Ray, Joyce Brown and Linda Price. Gowen-Smith Chapel in Shelbyville is assisting the family.

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## SERVICES

Funeral Service

Wednesday, January 5, 2022

11:00 AM

Gowen-Smith Chapel

850 Union Street

Shelbyville, Tennessee 37160

# Tribute Wall



“ *Feldhaus-Gowen-Smith Memorial Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Don Ray*



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**Feldhaus-Gowen-Smith Memorial Chapel** - January 02, 2022 at 12:00 AM



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**Feldhaus-Gowen-Smith Memorial Chapel** - December 09, 2025 at 11:34 AM