

Mr. Allison Weaver (Al) Furr, Jr.

(February 1, 1934-March 21, 2025)



Allison Weaver (Al) Furr, Jr. died on March 21, 2025, in Birmingham, Alabama at the age of 91. He was the last surviving child of the late Allison Weaver Furr, Sr. and Nettie Keziah Furr, and the last surviving child of their six sons and three daughters.

Born in Mathews, NC, he grew up in China Grove and Concord NC and was a basketball star at Odell High School. He married his high school sweetheart, Shirley Patrice Price in 1952, after graduation.

He attended Western Carolina for a year on basketball scholarship before beginning a career in retail management with McCrory Stores for 40 years. After retiring in 1997, he returned to work in sales for House of Cheatham for 15 years before retiring again in 2012.

He was a faithful member of Smoke Rise Baptist for forty years and active there until his move to Birmingham to be near family. Throughout his life, he used his many talents of carpentry and music and was a deacon, a Sunday School teacher, and many other leadership roles in his church. Always a willing volunteer, he was most happy being with family and enjoying his children, grandchildren and friends.

Al is survived by his loving family, his wife of 72 years, Shirley P Furr, 3 sons, Dr. Gary A. Furr (Vickie), Gregory L. Furr (Susan Yvonne), Michael D. Furr (Cindy), 1 daughter Amy Elizabeth Furr Allison (Chris), 14 Grandchildren, 24 Great Grandchildren, sister-in-laws Judy Ballard (David, Johnnie Dagenhart (Steve), and many nieces and nephews. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

The family would like to express their thanks to the staff at Diversicare of Riverchase, the We Care Ministry of Vestavia Hills Baptist Church and Compassus Hospice for the loving care given to Al in his final years. Memorials may be directed to the We Care Ministry at VHBC, to Smoke Rise Baptist Church or the Alzheimer's Association.

A memorial service for family members will take place at Vestavia Hills Baptist Church in Birmingham, Alabama on Monday, March 31 at 11:00 am CST Rev. Chris George, pastor of Smoke Rise Baptist Church in Stone Mountain, Georgia, will give the eulogy. The service will be broadcast online live and available for family members unable to attend and friends, and is open to everyone. Links can be found at the church website <https://vhbc.com>, on YouTube, [Vestavia Hills Baptist Church - YouTube](#) and on the [Church Facebook page](#)