



## Mr John Ellis Calvert

January 6, 1948 - August 7, 2022

John Ellis Calvert, aged 74, passed away on August 7, 2022. He suffered a massive stroke while battling recurring cancer. He was born in Robertsdale, Alabama and was the son of Dessie Levens Calvert and John Arnold Calvert.

He is survived by his beloved wife Cynthia Watson Calvert, his brothers Timothy Arnold Calvert and wife Debbie Hamilton, Steven Hollis Calvert and wife Cathy Calvert, Douglas Harold Calvert (deceased), brother-in-law Crawford Denton Gibbes and wife Laura Gibbes.

Ellis served four years in the army, after which he began a career in insurance. He was a senior agent for Allstate Insurance for over 30 years, winning many awards for outstanding service and was recognized for his ever-growing clientele.

To say Ellis lived a full life is an understatement. He learned to fly hot air balloons and became a licensed pilot in 1992, with his wife as crew chief. Ellis flew for over 25 years. He was an avid scuba diver, as he and his wife dove in many tropical locations, and always in the company of friends. Ellis was a licensed boat captain, who took every friend he had or someone he barely knew, fishing. He had a gift for finding fish!

Ellis was the life of the party, the joke teller, starting each joke with “This is a true story.” He lived loud and played hard, no matter where he was, a foreign county, a friend’s house or the pier house at his home, where countless parties, impromptu gatherings and moments of still, silent awe of the beauty around him gave him profound joy and contentment.

Ellis loved his wife, his family, his friends and his home with his whole heart, and often said he was so blessed to live this life. He lived every second of it.

A memorial service will be on Sunday, August 28th at 2:00 p.m. at the Calvert Residence in Orange Beach.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to:

William F. Green State Veterans Home  
300 Faulkner Drive  
Bay Minette, AL 36507  
ATT: Kathleen Voll

American Legion Post 199  
700 South Mobile St  
Fairhope, AL 36535  
ATT: Gerry Garcia

Operation Reconnect  
Box 1776  
Orange Beach, AL 36561

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

AUG **28**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Calvert Residence  
27095 Cove Drive  
Orange Beach, Alabama 36561

# Tribute Wall

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“ I am very late in learning of Ellis's death. I am so sorry Cynthia, Ellis gave me a chance 8 years ago running his Safari Down Under pontoon boat. That job probably saved my life. He was the life of the party, any party, He will be sorely missed by all. Much love to you and his family. Doug Butler

Doug Butler - April 23, 2024 at 04:19 PM



“ Mr John Ellis Calvert

October 04, 2023 at 01:12 PM



“ Mr John Ellis Calvert

November 08, 2022 at 06:34 PM

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“ I greatly enjoyed the time spent with Ellis. He was truly one of a kind and he will be missed by all who knew him. I send prayers to the LORD asking for mercy, peace and strength for Cynthia and all of the family. Ellis will missed and always remembered fondly.  
Dan Lee

Dan Lee - August 28, 2022 at 02:04 PM

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“ Prayers for comfort from the Blomquist family in Florida, for Cynthia and all Ellis's family and friends.

Eric Blomquist - August 26, 2022 at 10:26 AM



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Mr John Ellis Calvert.*



August 25, 2022 at 08:29 PM



“ *Ellis was always friendly. He loved listening to my husband sing and play. He offered help to anyone. Sending hugs and prayers to his wife and family.*

**Dottie Studt** - August 17, 2022 at 06:54 PM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Mr John Ellis Calvert.*



August 15, 2022 at 08:39 PM



“ *Ellis and I have been friends our entire lives and you couldn't ask for a better friend than Ellis Calvert. The countless parties, fishfries and toddies we have had over the years are precious memories I will never forget. Miss ya Buddy, Tony Ondracka*

**Tony Ondracka** - August 15, 2022 at 02:08 PM