



Mr Wilson Defaye Palmer

November 22, 1937 - June 25, 2025

Wilson Defaye Palmer, 87, of Foley, AL passed peacefully in the presence of his family in the early morning of June 25, 2025. He was born in Bailey, MS on Nov. 22, 1937, to loving parents Calvin and Ethel Palmer. Wilson grew up in Pensacola FL where he attended PHS (class '56). He served in the US Army and worked as an aircraft mechanic at NAS until retirement in 1992. Wilson was an active member of Magnolia Springs Baptist Church.

A true original, Wilson had a gift for making everyone feel like family. He was the life of the party-without needing the party; always ready with a story that would never end. Jack of all trades, master of several; Wilson was a self-proclaimed engineer. He enjoyed a multitude of interest and loved sharing his knowledge and helping others. He enjoyed a good western and spending time with family and friends.

Wilson is preceded in death by his parents Calvin and Ethel Palmer; brothers: Marvin, Lamar, Bob, and Earl Palmer; and grandson Tyler. He is survived by his wife of 57 years Glenda Sue Etheridge Palmer; children: Eric, Dennis, Wade (Amy), Paige, and Stacy Palmer; grandchildren: Alyssa, Brooke, Ashley, Abby, Joseph, and Matthew (Mackenzie); great-granddaughters: Alaina and Paislynn; sister: Imelda Bozorgmehr, and sister-in-law: Corrine

Palmer.

Family will receive friends on Tuesday, July 1st from 5-7pm and again on Wednesday, July 2nd from 10-12pm with service to follow. Lunch will be provided at Magnolia Springs Baptist Church immediately following Wednesday's service.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 1. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Pine Rest Funeral Home
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Foley, AL 36535
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Visitation

JUL 2. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Memorial Service

JUL 2. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I was just getting to know "you people" but Mr. Wilson always made me feel as if he knew me for a long time. Loved hearing about the home place while enjoying a Sunday meal. You are in my thoughts and prayers 🙏❤️

Charlotte Magner - July 02, 2025 at 07:39 AM



“ Oh the stories this man could tell. One of my most favorite humans to see when he came in. Praying for y'all. But just this think of all stories he is telling in heaven.

Vanessa Parker - Champion - July 01, 2025 at 05:59 PM

DM

“ Prayers for the family!



Danny McLain - July 01, 2025 at 05:03 PM

BF

“ I'll always remember Uncle Wilson as the "fun Uncle"! When I was very little, we came to visit Grandma and Grandpa, and Uncle Wilson would drive us around in his old Jeep - we'd be just bouncing and bopping around - just LAUGHING!! I remember the laughing... He was always such fun and kind to all of us kids when we'd come to visit. And his stories...well, you all know about his stories... I'll miss those stories. My love to Aunt Sue, and all the cousins.

Beth Fredrich - July 01, 2025 at 02:17 PM

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“ *There are so many things I can say about Mr. Palmer he was always full of love and joy and such a pleasure to be around.. Always had his camera with him and ready to take a pic.. His laugh made anyone laugh lol I swear it came from the depths of his pinky toes both of them... I will truly miss him. My prayer to Mrs. Palmer Eric Dennis Wade Paige and Stacy* ❤️



Shannon L Harper - July 01, 2025 at 07:42 AM