



Ronald Oliver

October 18, 1939 - May 25, 2025

Ronald Lee Oliver, Sr., “Rooney,” made his transition to eternal life on May 25, 2025, in NHC HealthCare Chattanooga. He was born on October 18, 1939, in Chattanooga, Tennessee. He was the oldest of two sons of the late Mr. Lewis Bibbs and the late Ms. Lois Oliver. He was preceded in death by four brothers, Richard, William, Joe, and Waymon; one sister, Lena Pearl Baker; three aunts, Fannie Montague (who was also a mother figure), Frankie Oliver, and Jessie Johnson; one Uncle, Larkin Bibbs; one grandson, RonXavier Tate; and one nephew, Aaron Baker. He was the last survivor of his siblings.

Due to the loss of their mother at an early age, Mr. Oliver and his younger brother, Waymon, spent time between family members in Chattanooga, TN, and Georgia. While living in Elberton, Georgia, at an early age, he joined Martin Grove Baptist Church. Mr. Oliver worked in the granite industry at McLanahan Crushed Stone and at a local gas station. Rooney, as he was affectionately called, was an avid baseball player. Being a catcher on the baseball field for local teams was one of his favorite pastimes. After relocating to Chattanooga permanently, he worked for his brother’s company, W.O. Concrete Finishing and JM Hanner Construction until his demise.

To God’s keeping, he leaves one wife, Fannie Sue Oliver, Elberton, GA; one daughter, Sarah Lois (Freddie) Baker, Elberton, GA; four sons, Ronald Lee Oliver, Jr. and Carey (Debra) Oliver, both of Elberton, GA, and Kenneth

Armstrong and Cedric Shelton, both of Chattanooga, TN; 20 grandchildren, Tyrone Oliver, Christopher Baker, Jennifer McDuffie, Nicole Rashad, Amber Oliver, Tanesha Oliver, Shara Oliver, Calandra Vinson, Brittany Shelton, Renisha Shelton, Brisha Shelton, Anondi Shelton, Kadarius Scott, Devontay Tipton, Kenneth Armstrong, Jr., Tadarion Gore, Jerrel Garner, Kerion Armstrong, LaKeino Armstrong, and Kalob Armstrong; one brother-in-law, Marion (Sandra) Tate, of Gainesville, Georgia; three devoted nieces, Bonita Baker, Cheryl Baker, and Felicia Rivers; a host of great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends that loved him and will always cherish his memories.

Visitation is Tuesday, June 3, 2025, from 4-7 p.m. at Wingfield Funeral Home, 206 Marietta Street, Cedartown, Georgia 30125. Graveside service is Wednesday, June 4, 2025, at 1 p.m. in Tate's Grove Baptist Church Cemetery, 1644 Bobby Brown State Park Road, Elberton, Georgia 30635. Arrangements are announced by Taylor Funeral Home of Chattanooga, Inc.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 3. 4:00 PM.

Wingfield Funeral Home

Graveside Service

JUN 4. 1:00 PM.

Tate's Grove Baptist Church Cemetery

Tribute Wall

SL

“ *Sam Lacy lit a candle in memory of Ronald Oliver*



Sam Lacy - September 26, 2025 at 03:46 PM

CN

“ *Cynthia Norman lit a candle in memory of Ronald Oliver*



Cynthia Norman - July 03, 2025 at 07:01 PM

SA

“ *Sam lit a candle in memory of Ronald Oliver*



Sam - June 23, 2025 at 09:41 AM

WC

“ *My Condolences to the family, Sorry for your loss*



Winifred Careathers - June 03, 2025 at 12:52 PM

SR

“ *Ced I'm so sorry for your loss uncle roonie will be missed. Sending you and the family 🙏 and love. Love you big brother*

Shameika Russell - May 30, 2025 at 08:14 PM

WC

“ *My Condolences to the family, Sorry for your loss !*



Winifred Careathers - May 29, 2025 at 03:25 PM

LN

“ *Deepest condolences to the family. Rooney was one of a kind. I remember all the trips and fun times we all had traveling together. Family you are in my prayers.*



Loretta Nunn - May 28, 2025 at 03:20 PM



“ *Rooney you will be missed CUZ rest easy*



Tanna Bailey - May 28, 2025 at 01:04 AM

AM

“ Praying mightily for Our Family. Rooney was the sweetest and most loving that I had on my Dads side and He was my”dog” if you will. He will truly be missed



Alice Montgomery - May 27, 2025 at 01:28 PM

ZA

Rooney, I call him daddy that's how he treated me. Rest well. Love you

Zack - May 29, 2025 at 12:04 PM