



## Byron Rhodes Hankins

April 14, 1959 - April 22, 2021

Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford

Byron Rhodes Hankins, 62, passed away Thursday, April 22, 2021, at his home in Abbeville, MS. A graveside service will be held Saturday, April 24, 2021, at Abbeville Cemetery at 10:00 a.m. Bro. Scott Stewart will officiate. Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford is in charge of arrangements.

Byron was born to the late George Ordway and Lula Katherine Hankins in Ripley, TN. After graduating from high school, he went on to work as a general contractor. He was married to Joy Shoffner Hankins.

Byron was a very loving, kind, and helpful person who always had a smile on his face. He enjoyed spending time with his church family and singing in the choir. He was a faithful and loyal servant to God. He was also always willing to lend a helping hand to anyone in need.

He valued the time he spent fishing with Will and Zach, making memories that he cherished. He also enjoyed gardening, playing the guitar, and taking roads trips with the love of his life, Joy. Although he enjoyed many things, he loved nothing more than spending time with his family. Byron will truly be missed by his family and friends.

Byron is survived by his wife, Joy Shoffner Hankins, of Abbeville; one daughter, Brandi (Chris) Carter, of Abbeville; three sons, Andy (Tricia) Hankins, Robert Mills, and Chris Shoffner, all of Abbeville; two sisters, Anita (James) Moore, of Abbeville, and Linda Moore, of Nevada; two brothers, Bobby (Glenda) Hankins and Ricky (Augusta) Hankins, both of Abbeville; ten grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Byron was preceded in death by his parents, George Ordway and Lula Katherine Hankins; two sisters, Carole Bensch and Dot Crowder; and one brother, Jerry Hankins.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Abbeville Baptist Church Children's Fund (15 E Long St, Abbeville, MS 38601).

Please leave online condolences on the Tribute Wall at [www.colemanfuneralhome.com](http://www.colemanfuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Abbeville Cemetery

CR 201  
Abbeville, MS 38601

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

APR 24. 10:00 AM (CT)

Abbeville Cemetery  
CR 201  
Abbeville, MS 38601

# Tribute Wall

TB

“ *Tish N Bevill lit a candle in memory of Byron Rhodes Hankins*



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**Tish N Bevill** - April 26, 2021 at 03:44 PM

MK

“ *Joy I'm so sorry for your family with Y'all's loss. I admired Byron because he was always smiling—when he felt good and when he didn't. He will be missed.*

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**marsha kisner** - April 23, 2021 at 07:51 PM

CB

“ *Prayers for all of you!! Byron was such a nice guy with the best positive outlook on life! We will miss him!*

*Cynthia Briscoe*

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**Cynthia Briscoe** - April 23, 2021 at 04:59 PM

CW

“ *"Byron was a true servant of the Lord, he loved God, Joy, his family and friends. I will never forget the time that I spent with him talking about the Lord and his love of music. He always made me felt welcome in their home, church and community."*

*God Bless you Joy and the family,  
Calvin, Linda, Macy and Kenny*

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**Calvin Worthem** - April 23, 2021 at 04:43 PM

JM

“ I remember when I first met Byron, during the hot summer. He was drinking hot coffee. Of course, I questioned him, and he said that he was already hot and sweaty, what's a little hot coffee going to hurt. Sweet and funny...all the time. My heart goes out to you, Joy. You are in my prayers.

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**Jean Munson** - April 23, 2021 at 03:02 PM

KB

“ I didnt get to know Byron as well in high school as I did later in life. Got to know him well later, always liked talking to him, we shared a love of singing. He was an honest down to earth person who made the world a better place. We will miss him.  
*Keith and Regina Black*

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**Keith Black** - April 23, 2021 at 01:52 PM

ML

*Prayers for Joy, family, and friends.*

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**Marybeth Lowrey** - April 23, 2021 at 05:04 PM

MS

“ *Martha Starnes lit a candle in memory of Byron Rhodes Hankins*



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**Martha Starnes** - April 23, 2021 at 01:35 PM