



## George Arnold Hodges Jr.

September 21, 1970 - May 23, 2024

Coleman Funeral Home of Southaven

George Arnold Hodges, Jr., 53, passed away on Thursday, May 23rd, 2024, with his family surrounding him in Memphis, TN. The celebration of his life will occur on Sunday, May 26th, 2024, starting at 10:00 a.m at Coleman Funeral Home in Southaven. A graveside memorial will be held at Bethel Cemetery in Enid, MS, Wednesday, May 29, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. Coleman Funeral Home of Southaven is in charge of arrangements.

George was the quintessential family man, a cherished son, and loving father. A beloved life-long member of his community, George was a beacon of light who spread his warmth and compassion along to anyone he passed. His unwavering love and devotion to his family and friends knew no bounds. George was a gentle, kind, soul who was always there as a helping hand or a listening ear for those in need. George was a warm-hearted, doting son, given a childhood full of love and care where he learned the importance of family, especially from his mother who adored him. He attended Southaven elementary through high school. He found joy and camaraderie on the football field, where he learned values of teamwork, dedication, and perseverance.

As he grew older, that passion transformed into cherishing unforgettable moments of watching Ole Miss Rebels football with his son and father. He

secured a job he loved, delivering packages and smiles to the surrounding communities. In his off time, George enjoyed the quiet, patient, game of golf, perfecting his golf swing in the fresh, calming breeze. Many of his friends will forever remember the joy he showed while on the green. George was most proud when he was celebrating the achievements of his children, whether it was coaching his son's team to a big win or watching his daughter win academic awards. He was always their biggest supporter, personally invested in their growth, and passing along the knowledge and values he acquired.

George enjoyed a simple life, focused on providing and being there for his family. Despite facing immense challenges including the decline of his mother's health and open heart surgery at only 24 years and, he worked tirelessly to give his family everything without complaint. Through hard times, his spirit and resilience never wavered. He lived and created a life full of amazing memories that will forever live on in the people he touched. Even now, his selfless decision of donating his organs will allow his legacy of generosity to live on. Though George carried a big heart, it was also a heavy heart. He wore his struggles quietly, holding his pain with grace. Let his life remind us that even the strongest pillars need support, and the shoulders that bear our burdens also need a place to rest.

George is survived by his life partner and mother of his children, Emily Renee' Hodges; his daughter, Taylor Payne Hodges; his son, George Hunter Hodges and daughter-in-law, Ashley Katana Savadphayphane-Hodges; and his father, George Arnold Hodges, Sr., all of Southaven.

He was preceded in death by his beloved mother, Alice Bell Griffin-Hodges.

Expressions of condolences may be left on his Tribute Wall at [www.colemanfuneralhome.com](http://www.colemanfuneralhome.com).



# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY **26**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Coleman Funeral Home of Southaven  
626 Star Landing Rd E  
Southaven, MS 38672  
(662) 349-3900  
info@colemanfuneralhome.com  
<http://www.colemanfuneralhomeSH.com>

## Celebration of Life

MAY **26**. 12:00 PM (CT)

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## Graveside Service

MAY **29**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Bethel Cemetery  
910 Bethel Road  
Enid, MS 38927

# Tribute Wall



“ Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford created a Tribute Video in memory of George Arnold Hodges Jr.



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**Coleman Funeral Home** - May 25, 2024 at 06:30 PM

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*Everyone knows that george had A kind heart.. Perfect example of a gentleman. Until he got on the football field. When he was in high school, he made a tackle and dis. Located his arm ran to the coach and the coach grabbed his arm and popped it back in socket and told him to get back in there.. So that's what george did one hundred percent. A few years later there was a bunch of guys at my house so we decided to play tackle football.. Bad mistake, George wasn't on my teafter after I saw him tackle a few of my players on my team and knocked the window out of them and probably made them see Stars.. I knew this wouldn't be good, When they pass the ball to me and I'm running and here comes George so I run out of bounds that didn't stop George. He grabbed me by the arm. And slung me on the driveway.. That was the day that I knew I always wanted. George on my team.. Rest in peace george love you brother*

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**Butch Adams** - May 25, 2024 at 07:28 PM



“ <https://open.spotify.com/playlist/3hxYSJz0Jltl2nlmM1Nd7k?si=350f26774f7d43fa>

*Spotify Playlist I curated in my Dads' Honor. Definitely a lot of 90's Country Music. I miss you Dad, growing up to these songs with you was a blessing.*

*#cherishhonoryourlegacy*



Hunter Hodges - May 29, 2024 at 01:45 AM



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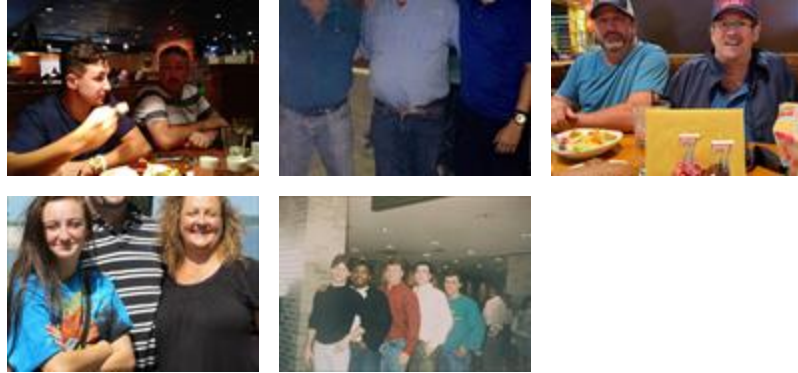
“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of George Arnold Hodges Jr..



May 26, 2024 at 10:46 AM



“ Please share all the photos of my father you all have. Much Appreciated - Hodges Family



Hunter Hodges - May 25, 2024 at 11:19 PM



“ Prayers for your wife , son , daughter and entire family for God to give you all comfort & strength in the upcoming days, weeks and months to come.  
Love , hugs and prayers to all,  
Rachel Banton Arent  
SHS class of 1988



Rachel Arent - May 25, 2024 at 08:57 PM

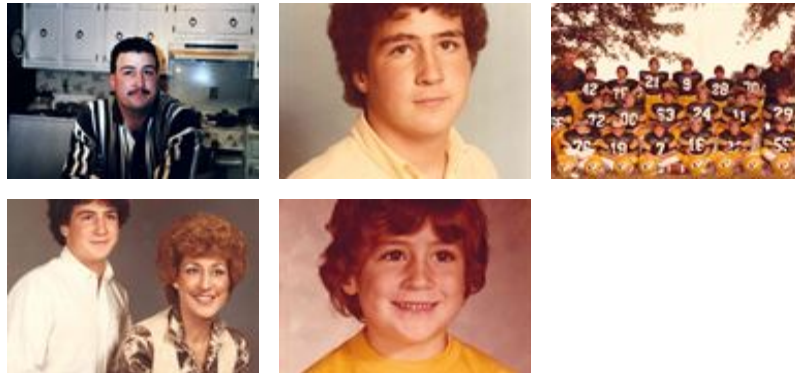


Thank you 💕

Hunter Hodges - May 25, 2024 at 10:30 PM



“ 92 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Coleman Funeral Home** - May 25, 2024 at 02:25 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of *George Arnold Hodges Jr.*



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May 25, 2024 at 09:23 AM



“ *Progressive Process Service* planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of *George Arnold Hodges Jr.*

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**Progressive Process Service** - May 25, 2024 at 09:23 AM



“ *My Dad died a hero, his generous organ donation has potentially extended the life of at least 3 other people. As heartbroken as our family is, 3 other families are waking up today with a new lease on life. Dad now you aren't just our hero in our eyes! You've selflessly helped countless others in life & death. Thank you Dad, We all love you 💕 -Your Son*



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**Hunter Hodges** - May 25, 2024 at 08:41 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of George Arnold Hodges Jr..*



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May 25, 2024 at 12:28 AM



“ *Erica sent a virtual gift in memory of George Arnold Hodges Jr.*



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**Erica** - May 25, 2024 at 12:01 AM

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“ Renee' lit a candle in memory of George Arnold Hodges Jr.



Renee' - May 24, 2024 at 10:58 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of George Arnold Hodges Jr..



May 24, 2024 at 10:47 PM

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“ Aunt Betty Cropper & Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of George Arnold Hodges Jr..



Aunt Betty Cropper & Family - May 24, 2024 at 10:18 PM



“ Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of George Arnold Hodges Jr..



May 24, 2024 at 10:03 PM