



James Hoyt "Sonny" Bush III

July 21, 1947 - November 5, 2023

Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford

James Hoyt "Sonny" Bush III, 76, of Oxford, passed away on Sunday, November 05, 2023, at Oxford Health and Rehab.

The family will celebrate his life with a private graveside service.

James Hoyt Bush III, better known as Sonny to his loved ones and friends, was welcomed into this world on July 21, 1947, in Philadelphia, Mississippi, as one of the three children born to the late James Hoyt Bush and Kathryn Smith Bush.

He graduated from the historic Central High School in Jackson, Mississippi. Many years after completing his high school education, Sonny found employment with the Mississippi Industry for the Blind and retired after thirty years of dedicated service. When retirement called his name, he filled his days with cheering on the University of Mississippi Athletic Department, but Sonny strongly favored football, baseball, and basketball. He was a longtime member of Christ United Methodist Church in Jackson, joining the congregation in 1964 and remaining active until he transitioned to the Oxford community.

Although Sonny has departed from our presence, his treasured memory will hold a special place in the hearts and minds of his loved ones.

He leaves behind a loving family to continue walking down the path of life in his absence: two sisters, Arledia (David) Bennett of Oxford, Mississippi; Denise (Pete) Walker of Madison, Mississippi; two nephews: Michael (Janna) Walker of Sacramento, California; Christopher (Angie) Walker of Madison, Mississippi; one niece, Jill (Phillip) Walker of Minneapolis, Minnesota; one aunt, Eloise Brock of Crystal Springs, Mississippi; host of cousins and extended family members.

The loved ones that departed from this life before him include his parents, James Hoyt Bush and Kathryn Smith Bush.

In place of traditional flowers, the family has requested that donations be given to Oxford Animal Resource Center due to his love for animals, especially his sister Arledia's beloved dog Sadie. Click the following link for the steps to donate (<https://checkout.shelterluv.com/donate/OARC>)

The Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford staff is honored to serve the family as they walk through this challenging season of life.

Cemetery Details

Oxford Memorial Cemetery

Oxford, MS

Tribute Wall

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“ I am sorry to hear to his passing but am so proud to have known him and his family while they were in Tunica. I am especially proud of his accomplishments. I was the football team manager for Coach Bush in Tunica for 2 years before he moved on to bigger and better coaching accomplishments. Sonny was one of our assistant mangers and always worked hard to be his best. May God take him and wrap him in is ever loving arms. Sonny was definitely one of God's special children.

bill poore - December 08, 2024 at 01:57 PM

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“ I ushered with Sonny at Christ Methodist. He was a great fellow. I always enjoyed our visits. My condolences to all who loved and cared for him. He made the world a better place.

Mark McIntosh - November 17, 2023 at 09:30 AM



“ Ed and I are so sorry for your loss, sending love and prayers. May the Good Lord wrap his loving arms around each of you and give you peace.

Lou Ann Hood - November 06, 2023 at 09:47 PM