



Mr. Billy Wayne Rice

June 30, 1951 - October 12, 2017

Billy Wayne Rice, 66, of Dover, Florida born on June 30, 1951 in Coleman, Alabama, entered into eternal rest on October 12, 2017. He was a member of New Hope Free Will Baptist Church in Dover, and of Boilermakers Local 433. He enjoyed working on cars, fishing, and animals. He was preceded in death by his wife, Carolyn Rice; and son, Billy Rice, Jr.. He is survived by his children, Kathy Bynum (Jamie) of Plant City, Danny Bynum (Tammi) of Dover, Johnny Rice (Laura) of Brandon, and Courtney Rice Seelye (Tony) of Dover; siblings, Teddy Davis of Tampa, Gilbert Rice (Deronda) of Valrico, and Theron Rice (Gail) of Alabama; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and dog, Hurley, bird, Tookie, and chicken, Midnight. A Celebration of Life will be held on Monday, October 16 at 11:00 A.M. at Hopewell Funeral Home, 6005 CR 39 S, Plant City, where the family will receive friends beginning at 10:00 A.M. Committal to follow at Bloomingdale Cemetery, Valrico. Expressions of condolence at www.HopewellFuneral.com.

Cemetery Details

Springhead Cemetery

County Line Road
Lakeland, FL

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **16**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall



“ Hopewell Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Billy Wayne Rice



Hopewell Funeral Home - October 15, 2017 at 10:47 AM

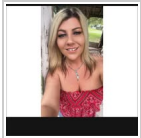


“ Missing this awesome father, father in law and grandfather today. You will be forever loved.



Johnny, Laura and JR

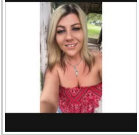
Laura & Johnny Rice - October 12, 2019 at 11:16 AM



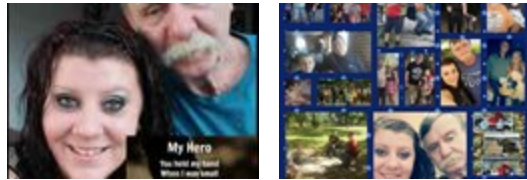
“ I miss you so much you were the best dad ever💔



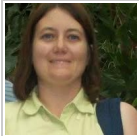
Courtney Seelye - November 18, 2018 at 07:27 PM



“ I miss you so much my angel💔



Courtney Seelye - August 23, 2018 at 11:26 PM



“ I remember meeting uncle wayne for the first time after not seeing him since I was about four years old. He was really nice and he showed me the first car he bought with his wife when they first got married. My father Lester Leroy Rice aka Buddy wayne's bother and me will really miss him. Rest on peace uncle wayne.

Emily Rice - July 05, 2018 at 01:54 PM



“ My sincere condolences to the family. Wayne was a good Godly man & will be so missed. I know he's now with his loved ones in Heaven.



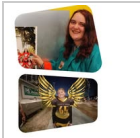
Barbara Joiner - October 15, 2017 at 06:22 PM



“ 45 files added to the album *Life Tributes*

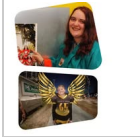


Hopewell Funeral Home - October 14, 2017 at 04:55 PM



“ *One of my Fondest Memories of Uncle Wayne was apparently every time he went out of town and came back he would try to say hello to me and I wouldn't say anything to him according to my mom one day he come home and said I'll give you this whole handful of change if you would just say hello to me once and my mom said that I didn't stop talking after that day to anyone that I met and she asked Uncle Wayne on numerous occasions if he would already take back that handful of change so I could just shut up*

Melissa Vosburg - October 14, 2017 at 04:25 PM



“ *Uncle Wayne will always be what I call him I've known him since I was very little him and his wife helped my mom take care of me when we were down on Hard Times he was the greatest man I ever knew.he loved everyone he meet and would give you the last dollar to his name the shirt off his back if that is what you needed he will be truly missed and there is a hole in my heart forever he is now with the love of his life in heaven rip and give aunt Carolyn a kiss for me untill we meet again rest easy uncle Wayne* ”



Melissa Vosburg - October 14, 2017 at 04:22 PM

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“ *Gilbert & Deronda Rice lit a candle in memory of Mr. Billy Wayne Rice* ”



Gilbert & Deronda Rice - October 14, 2017 at 01:06 PM

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“ *I enjoyed when he had Holiday get together he enjoyed barbecues, our weekly visits whether it was our or his. The love he had for animals. He was a kind sweet man. We will miss him and know he has been reunited with his beloved wife and son provides peace. Until we meet again we love you* ”

Gilbert & Deronda Rice - October 14, 2017 at 01:05 PM

HM

“ *Hattie M. purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mr. Billy Wayne Rice.*



Hattie M. - October 14, 2017 at 09:50 AM