

John M. "J.M." Ely

August 18, 1933 - December 16, 2014

Mr. John M. "J. M." Ely, Jr. , age 81, of Douglas passed away early Tuesday morning, December 16, 2014, at the Tift Regional Medical Center in Tifton, GA following a short illness. Mr. Ely was born August 18, 1933 to the late John M. Ely, Sr. and the late Jessie Mae Tapley Ely. Mr. Ely, a native of Treutlen County, retired as a Route Salesman for Lance Corp. He was a U. S. Army Veteran of the Korean Conflict. He was an active member of the Gideons International. He was also preceded in death by 1 Sister, Tiny Bray, 3 Brothers, Marvin Ely, Ray Ely, and Walter Ely. Mr. Ely was a faithful member and deacon of the Carver Baptist Church. Survivors include: His Wife: Clara Graham Ely of Douglas, GA.; 1 Daughter: Marsha Ely (Buster) Bailey of Waynesville, GA.; 2 Sons: Carlos M. (Dianne) Ely of Douglas, GA and Jeffrey A. (Cindy) Ely of Cumming, GA.; 2 Brothers: J. L. (Janice) Ely of Fitzgerald, GA., and Merl "Roy" Ely of Waycross, GA.; 1 Sister: Louise Hayes of Callahan, FL.; 8 Grandchildren: Dena Miller, Daron Bailey, Amanda Hayes, Lindsay Ray, Carla Reaves, Jason Ely, Jonathan Ely and Brooke Ely. 11 Great Grandchildren. Several Nieces, Nephews, Friends and Other Relatives. Funeral Services were held Friday, December 19, 2014, at 11:00 A.M. at Carver Baptist Church with Rev. Philip Corbean and Rev. Gerald Purvis officiating. The interment followed in the Douglas City Cemetery. Active Pallbearers were: Jerry Bryant, Eddie Harper, Ashley Thompson, Jim Betsill, Rod Freeman, Danny Haddock, and David McDonald. Honorary Pallbearers were members of the local Gideons International. Special Musical Selections,

"Victory In Jesus", was led by David McDonald, and "It Is Well With My Soul", was led by Harold Vickers, both selections were presented by the Carver Baptist Church Choir, with Patricia Anderson at the Piano, and "I Can Only Imagine", was presented by the Soloist and Guitarist, Kelly Morris. "Pre-Lude" and "Post-Lude" soft hymns were rendered by the Pianist, Patricia Anderson. Ricketson Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Douglas City Cemetery

1622 North Gaskin Avenue
Douglas, GA 31533

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 18. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Ricketson Funeral Home, Inc.
305 West Ward Street
Douglas, GA 31533
(912) 384-1155
ricketsonfunhm@windstream.net
<https://www.ricketsonfuneralhome.com/>

Funeral Service

DEC 19. 11:00 AM (ET)

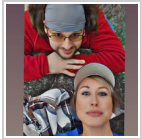
Carver Baptist Church
1080 Kamera Road
Douglas, GA 31535
(912) 384-4594

Tribute Wall



“ *John M. "J.M." Ely*

November 08, 2022 at 06:41 PM



“ *Heather Graham Lankford lit a candle in memory of John M. "J.M." Ely*



Heather Graham Lankford - December 24, 2014 at 10:43 AM



“ *Clara and Marsha, We are so sorry for your loss. Carl and I send our Love to you and you are in our prayers. I truly thought he was a wonderful man and I know that he will be missed. Marsha, you know you can call anytime. This picture was made in April at Carl's mother's funeral.*

Love, Carl and Michele Ely

Michele Ely - December 19, 2014 at 11:22 PM



Michele, oh thank you so very much for the pic. It is so sweet of you to do that for us. Thanks for all the thoughts & prayers..

marsha Ely bailey - December 20, 2014 at 05:05 PM



*Clara, so sorry for your loss!
Lula Mae C Deen*

Lula M Deen - January 23, 2015 at 10:14 AM

ME

“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



Michele Ely - December 19, 2014 at 11:15 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of John M. "J.M." Ely.*



December 18, 2014 at 11:23 AM

CC

“ *Jeffrey,*

I'm so sorry for your loss. Your daddy was a kind man and he will be missed. I remember that time he took you and I camping at the state park and we had Bible study. I cannot remember the book we studied before we went to sleep, but I remember how much faith your daddy had. I'm sure he's basking in the Glory that is our God. God is good.

Clarence Bush Campbell

Clarence Bush Campbell - December 18, 2014 at 09:11 AM



*Thanks Clarence. Good to hear from you.
-Jeff*

Jeff Ely - December 19, 2014 at 05:03 PM



“ *Let It Snow* was purchased for the family of John M. "J.M." Ely.



December 18, 2014 at 04:32 AM



“ *Clara, Jeffery and family, I am saddened to read of your husband/father's passing. I know he will be missed as he journeys home to be with our Father.*
Marlene King Richards (Clarence Bush's mother)

Marlene King Richards - December 17, 2014 at 06:13 PM



Thanks Marlene.
-Jeff

Jeff Ely - December 19, 2014 at 05:06 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of John M. "J.M." Ely.



December 17, 2014 at 03:51 PM

DB

“ Deborah Boyd lit a candle in memory of John M. "J.M." Ely



deborah boyd - December 17, 2014 at 02:37 PM



“ Holiday Homecoming Basket was purchased for the family of John M. "J.M." Ely.



December 17, 2014 at 09:19 AM

VM

“ Virginia McClendon sent a virtual gift in memory of John M. "J.M." Ely



Virginia McClendon - December 16, 2014 at 06:40 PM

VM

Bro. Ely will be surely missed. Love and prayers to the family.

Virginia McClendon - December 16, 2014 at 06:42 PM