



Russell Collins

September 4, 1936 - September 14, 2025

Mr. Russell Collins, age 89, of Douglas, Georgia, passed away Sunday afternoon, September 14, 2025 at Coffee Regional Medical Center surrounded by his loving family following a recent decline in health.

Mr. Collins, a native of Coffee County, was born September 4, 1936 to the late Corbitt Collins and the late Myrtice Russ Collins. He made his career as a local business owner, operating Collins Business Machines for 40 years before his retirement. After retirement he still enjoyed working on typewriters along and along. He was a member of College Avenue Baptist Church and he found great enjoyment singing in church and sharing his love for his Lord and Savior.

Mr. Collins leaves behind his loving wife of 65 years, Grace Carver Collins of Douglas, Georgia; 3 daughters: Ann Tucker (Mickey) of Douglas, Georgia, Jan Smith (Zip Grantham) of Ambrose, Georgia, Sonya Coleman of Douglas, Georgia; 6 grandchildren: Shannon Tucker (Mica), Jana Ricketson (Rex), Courtney Carr (Robby), and Haley Smith (Boris Escoto), all of Douglas, Georgia, along with Maci Robinson (Hunter) and Kameron Cole (Jasmine), both of Alma, Georgia; 8 great grandchildren; as well as a number of extended family members.

Mr. Collins' family will receive friends at Ricketson Funeral Home Chapel on

Tuesday evening, September 16, 2025 from 5:00 PM – 9:00 PM. A funeral service will be held to honor Mr. Collins on Wednesday, September 17, 2025 at 11:00 AM at College Avenue Baptist Church with Rev. Terry Reagan and Rev. Jimmy Littlejohn officiating. Musical selections will be presented by Tammy Altman. Burial will follow in Griffin Cemetery.

Active Pallbearers will include Tucker Carr, Channing Tucker, Bentley Escoto, Shannon Tucker, Karemon Cole, Carver Ricketson, and Tal Hutto.

Honorary Pallbearers will include Ottis and Carolyn Bryan, Joanne Williams, and the congregation of College Avenue Baptist Church.

Condolences, kind words, and fond memories may be shared with Mr. Collins' family at www.ricketsonfuneralhome.com.

Mr. Collins' arrangements have been entrusted to the kind and compassionate staff of Ricketson Funeral Home, Inc. of Douglas, Georgia.

Cemetery Details

Griffin Cemetery

110 Sunrise Trail
Ambrose, GA 31512

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **16**. 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Ricketson Funeral Home Chapel
305 West Ward Street
Douglas, GA 31533

Funeral Service

SEP **17**. 11:00 AM (ET)

College Avenue Baptist Church
714 South College Avenue
Douglas, GA 31533

Interment

SEP **17** (ET)

Griffin Cemetery
110 Sunrise Trail
Ambrose, GA 31512

Tribute Wall



“ *Ricketson Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Russell Collins*



Ricketson Funeral Home - September 16, 2025 at 04:35 PM

PO

Prayers for strength for the family. Russell was a great guy and occasionally quite funny. Hugs to Grace

Patty Orr - September 19, 2025 at 12:03 PM

DB

“ *Deborah Boyd lit a candle in memory of Russell Collins*



Deborah Boyd - September 20, 2025 at 10:08 AM

DG

“ *So sorry for your loss. Prayers for the families*



Denise Grimes - September 19, 2025 at 10:58 AM

JC

“ *Jane Carver lit a candle in memory of Russell Collins*



Jane Carver - September 17, 2025 at 12:30 PM

GI

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Y'all are part of my happiest childhood memories. God bless you.*

Gina - September 16, 2025 at 10:13 PM

LK

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with Grace and her family. I have known Russell and Grace since I moved to Douglas 10 years ago. They welcomed me to join their lunch group at Tip Top and have eaten with them many, many times over the years. I will miss picking on Russell and him picking on me back. I could always make him laugh. He will be truly missed.*

Linda Kilgore - September 16, 2025 at 04:59 PM

TH

“ *Tommy And Lynn Harrell lit a candle in memory of Russell Collins*



Tommy and Lynn Harrell - September 16, 2025 at 04:41 PM

DM

“ MR.RUSSELL,
I HAD TO BUILD A BONFIRE
THE CANDLES JUST DID'T CUT IT.YOUR WHOLE FAMILY HAVE
SUCH WARM BEAUTIFUL HEARTS AND MEMORIES THAT WILL
NEVER FADE. THAT ALONE SAYS ALOT ABOUT YOU AND
YOUR BEAUTIFUL SOUTHERN WIFE. I HAVE ALWAYS
THOUGHT OF YOU TWO AS ONE.THANKS FOR THE
MEMORIES.

DARLENE MOESCH AND WILLIAM MOESCH - September 16, 2025 at 02:35 PM

DM

“ *DARLENE MOESCH AND WILLIAM MOESCH
sent a virtual gift in memory of Russell Collins*



DARLENE MOESCH AND WILLIAM MOESCH - September 16, 2025 at 02:14 PM

MH

“ *May God's Grace surround each of you and
bring you Peace.*



Miriam Vickers Holland - September 16, 2025 at 01:51 PM

RK

“ Rhoda Kirkland lit a candle in memory of
Russell Collins



Rhoda Kirkland - September 16, 2025 at 12:55 PM

RG

“ To Grace and all the remaining family members , we are sorry to
hear of Russell’s passing. But, we all know where he sits now and is
talking up a storm . God Bless and keep you all in his loving arms
....Gods Will be DoneLoe to you all
Roxie , Billy Goodman and Scott and Corey Sears and

Roxie Goodman - September 16, 2025 at 01:31 AM

MV

“ Martha Vickers lit a candle in memory of
Russell Collins



Martha Vickers - September 15, 2025 at 09:18 PM

MV

Mrs. Grace, Ann, Jan and Sonya - My prayers are with you and your
family. I always enjoyed talking with your dad whenever or wherever I
saw him out eating . I will always remember his smile and friendliness
to everyone he met. Love and prayers for you all.

Martha Vickers - September 15, 2025 at 09:23 PM

RA

Deepest Sympathy :
Carolyn & Roy Band

Roy Bland , A. - September 16, 2025 at 03:56 PM

RC

*Grace, Sonya, Ann and Jan,
I have known your family for many years. It has been a joy to know
your family. Always a pleasure to see each and every one on different
occasions. I am truly sorry for your loss. Russell was a fine man,
husband and father. Love you,*

Ruth Christian - September 16, 2025 at 10:22 PM

BS

*We enjoyed our time at College Avenue when we lived in Douglas and
getting to know Russell and Grace was a joy. Our prayers are with
Grace and her family. Brenda and LeRoy Swafford*

Brenda Swafford - September 17, 2025 at 06:51 AM