



Ralph Hitchcock

December 24, 1932 - January 10, 2024

Joseph "Ralph" Hitchcock, Sr., age 91, of Cedar Hill, Tennessee, died Wednesday, January 10, 2024, at the Residence at Alive Hospice in Nashville.

Funeral services will be held at Austin & Bell Funeral Home in Pleasant View at 11:00AM on Thursday, January 18th, with Bobby Clay Riley and Dr. Fred Nordquist conducting. Burial will follow at 1:00PM in Middle Tennessee State Veterans Cemetery in Nashville with Derek Rozanski, Steve McCurdy, Casey Coble, Sammy Bryant, Buddy Bryant, and William Simmons serving as pallbearers.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Thursday from 9:30AM until the hour of service at 11:00AM.

Mr. Hitchcock was born on December 24, 1932, in Ettrick, Virginia, to the late Garland Hitchcock and Sadie Hitchcock Whitt & husband Walter. He held many jobs, but was most proud of working for U.S. Customs which he retired from in 1996. He proudly served his country in the United States Air Force and was a Mason and remains a member of Petersburg's Blandford Lodge #3 Ancient Free and Accepted Masons and the Scottish Rite Masons of the Valley of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by his 2 half-brothers, Steve

and Walter Lewis Whitt.

Survivors include his wife, Vickie Hitchcock; son, Joseph Hitchcock, Jr. (Alejandra); daughter, Carol Hitchcock Rozanski (fiancé Casey Coble); grandchildren, Britt McCurdy (Steve), Derek Rozanski, Mary Charlotte Hitchcock, and Annie Hitchcock; and great-grandchildren, Laynie Crabill, Kiah McCurdy, and Wyatt McCurdy.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Tunnel to Towers Foundation, 2361 Hylan Boulevard, Staten Island, New York 10306

AUSTIN & BELL FUNERAL HOME in Pleasant View is in charge of these arrangements. 6316 Highway 41A, Pleasant View, Tennessee 37146 (615) 746-4433 www.austinandbell.com

Cemetery Details

Middle Tennessee State Veterans Cemetery

7931 McCrory Ln
Nashville, TN 37221-5704
(615) 532-2238

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 18. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

BS

“ *Bobbie Jo Shumake lit a candle in memory of Ralph Hitchcock*



Bobbie Jo Shumake - January 12, 2024 at 08:55 AM

BS

Sorry to hear about Ralph, thought about you all many times. Prayers to you and your family.

Bobbie Jo Shumake - January 12, 2024 at 08:51 AM

JR

“ *Uncle Ralph was a wonderful person that lived life to the fullest. He always made everyone feel special and loved. I will always cherish memories of conversations and the time he took Vickie and me shooting.
Love and prayers to all the family.
God Bless you all* ❤️

Joanna Riley - January 11, 2024 at 09:20 PM



“ *The entire extended family has many special memories but there’s one that’s specifically with me. When I was a scrawny kid running wild on the Stuard family home place, Uncle Ralph would visit and bring his Martin 000.18 gut string guitar. A real beauty that he bought in the early 1950’s. I now own that guitar. It’s been played on many stages and in recording sessions by me and also by my step daughter, Taylor. One of the last times Ralph and I were together, we talked about memories of playing that Martin. Ralph was my first introduction to live music (I don’t count piano recitals). He was a good musician but set it aside at some point much like many of us do. I’ll miss knowing he’s around but his memory lives on with me and with his guitar. Happy trails. Uncle Ralph.*

Carolyn Woosley - January 11, 2024 at 06:45 PM