



Robert Sidney Rice

December 15, 1934 - April 23, 2024

Robert Sidney Rice Born December 15, 1934, to Dorothy and David Rice in Winter Haven, Florida passed peacefully surrounded by his loved ones on April 23, 2024.

Robert moved to South Carolina, in the last 30 years of his life, to be closer to his family here. Robert spent his days taking care of his wife, Leanette, and waiting for his daily visits from his grandchildren. Robert, best known as “papa” will be remembered for his contagious smile, storytelling and stubborn personality. He could tell you any story or joke and instantly make you fall in love with him. He loved his family fiercely and that memory of him will live on through his family.

He is survived by his 3 sisters; Mary (Ronnie), Alice, and Dottie. He is also survived by his loving wife, Leanette and daughter Judy Sanders (Ricky), his grandchildren; Robby (Tammy), Mandy, Ashley (Ryan), Steven “little Stevie” and Jessica (Paul). Of all the people he loved most are his remaining grandchildren; Layne, Carmen, Olivia, Ethan, Reece, Blake, Alex and Charli.

Robert was also an honorary “Papa” to his extended family to which he held close to his heart. A father, a friend, a grandfather, loving husband, Robert filled all of those titles with the greatest honor. Robert undoubtedly left an impression on everyone he met and will forever be remembered. He is

preceded in death by his two sons; Johnny and Steven and parents. A celebration of life will be held at a later time.

Mountain View Funerals & Cremations – Seneca Chapel is assisting the family of Mr. Rice.

Tribute Wall



“ *I Loved my Uncle Robert. He would call me when there was family news or just to catch up and say Hi. I wish I had found the time to drive down to SC for a visit. I will miss him greatly! Forever in my heart, Love Trish*

Jennifer Lanning - April 26, 2024 at 11:00 AM

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“ *Our thoughts are with your family during this most difficult time. Sending our deepest condolences,*

The Gentiva Hospice Team

Amanda Williams - April 26, 2024 at 10:52 AM

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“ *Great man...I enjoyed every conversation with him. I will miss him.*

Scot Gibson - April 25, 2024 at 10:10 PM

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“ *Always such a kindred spirit! So sorry for your loss. Praying for you all.*



Frank & Christel Pulver - April 25, 2024 at 08:50 PM