



Edward R. Hightower, Jr.

April 20, 1942 - October 10, 2024

Coleman Funeral Home of Southaven

Edward Randolph Hightower, Jr., passed away on Thursday, October 10, 2024, in Olive Branch, MS, surrounded by his loving family. Coleman Funeral Home of Southaven (626 Star Landing Road East, Southaven, MS 38672) is in charge of arrangements.

He is survived by his devoted wife, of 34 years, Dianne Ballard Hightower of Olive Branch, MS; his three children, Tracie (Brian) Metcalf of Dublin, CA, Mindy (Barry) King of Bloomington, IN, and Trent (Tina) Hightower of Hood River, OR; his four grandchildren, one sister, and a host of cherished friends and extended family members.

Edward was preceded in death by his parents, Edward and Doris Hightower, and brother.

Expressions of condolences may be left on his Tribute Wall at www.colemanfuneralhomes.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 2. 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Coleman Funeral Home of Southaven created a Tribute Video in memory of Edward R. Hightower, Jr.



Coleman Funeral Home of Southaven - October 31, 2024 at 09:09 PM

BJ

“ Aunt Dianne,

I'll forever cherish the times I got to spend with you and Uncle Ed at your home in Destin. I always respected and looked up to Ed as a cool, kind person and successful businessman. I remember sitting on your back patio and talking life and business with Ed. At the time I was early career, but Ed would listen to all my work stories. Ed always did more listening than talking, but when he said something, it was gold, and I would soak it up. Ed respected me, and that meant a lot to me. I remember helping Ed put up storm shutters on your windows ahead of hurricane Katrina learning and loving every minute. I have many more memories of Ed, and I'm grateful to have been able to know him as family. He will be missed and not forgotten.

Rest in Peace, Uncle Ed.

Brad

Brad Jenkins - November 02, 2024 at 12:41 PM

AS

“ *Advanced PT Staff purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Edward R. Hightower, Jr..*



Advanced PT Staff - November 01, 2024 at 04:51 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Edward R. Hightower, Jr..*



November 01, 2024 at 02:07 PM

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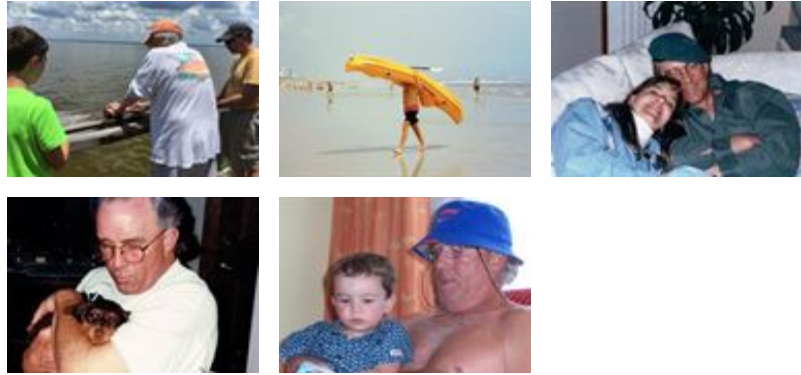
“ *Linda Young purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Edward R. Hightower, Jr..*



Linda Young - October 31, 2024 at 05:46 PM



“ 106 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Coleman Funeral Home of Southaven - October 31, 2024 at 05:03 PM



“ *The Bilger Family, Destin Florida purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Edward R. Hightower, Jr..*



The Bilger Family, Destin Florida - October 30, 2024 at 04:47 PM



“ *Roy and Carla nolen purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Edward R. Hightower, Jr..*



Roy and Carla nolen - October 29, 2024 at 01:29 PM

PZ

“ Paul and Shelah Zmigrosky purchased the Serene Reflections Bouquet for the family of Edward R. Hightower, Jr..



Paul and Shelah Zmigrosky - October 28, 2024 at 06:09 PM

JG

“ Ed was truly one of the best people I’ve ever met. He was a genuine and humble leader who treated everyone with respect and kindness. Whether you were at the top of the organization or just starting out, to Ed, everyone mattered.

He had a great gift for making you feel special and valued. He wasn’t just a mentor; he was a constant source of guidance, support, and honest feedback.

I’ll always remember flying out of Memphis with him in the early 1990’s. As the last boarding call was announced, I got nervous and suggested we leave. With his trademark calm, Ed simply said, “Don’t worry, they’ll wait for us.” And, of course, they did. It was a different time, but man, was he cool!

I know I’m not alone in saying, he will be sorely missed. He was one of my favorites.

Jorge Garcia-Baudrit - October 19, 2024 at 01:03 PM

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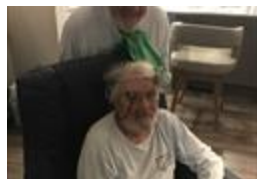
“ Harbor Docks family purchased the Rose Remembrance for the family of Edward R. Hightower, Jr..



Harbor Docks family - October 15, 2024 at 10:55 AM

RN

“ Ed and Diane have been an integral part of our lives for the last 24 years and we will miss Ed so much. I can't tell you how many great memories were created with Ed from Ridgeway country club to Destin Florida to Hernando Mississippi. In the last few years I've been Ed's go to for some of our favorite TV shows. Roy and I loved Ed very much. Dianne is one of my best friends and I know what good care she's taken of Ed for the last few years. They were a beautiful couple. I will be posting a picture of Ed and Roy from December 23, 2020 when we shared a delicious meal at their house and we wrapped the boys like Christmas presents.



roy and carla nolen - October 14, 2024 at 07:28 PM