



## David Nicholas "Nick" Hope

February 16, 1955 - March 8, 2022

Nick age 67 of Bessemer, Alabama, passed away on March 8th, 2022 , surrounded by his close family. He is survived by his loving wife of 42 years, Tammy Hope, devoted son, Christopher (Jennifer Chesser) Hope, beloved granddaughter, Haley Hope, and his four legged fur baby, Bama Grace. Nick was born in Bessemer, Alabama on February 16, 1955. He graduated from Jess Lanier High School in 1973, and went on to attend and graduate from Bessemer Technical College in 1977, with a degree in electronics and communications. He began working the same year for US Pipe and retired as a foreman in 2009 with almost 33 years of service. Nick owned and operated Rock Creek Gun Service for 30 years, and was the 1994 National Submachine Gun Champion, avid Amateur Radio Operator (WA4MJV), a member of Flint Hill Masonic Lodge, and an Alabama fan. He was a devoted family man, a conservative Christian, a member of Rock Creek Baptist Church, a true patriot, and just an all around man of character. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him. Chapel Service on Monday, March 14, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. Family will receive friends for visitation from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Burial will be at Rock Creek Baptist Church Cemetery 985 Glaze Drive, Bessemer, Alabama 35023. With Bro. Charlie Todd officiating

# Cemetery Details

**Rock Creek Baptist Church Cemetery**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

**MAR 14.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Bessemer Brown Service Funeral Home  
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# Tribute Wall

JC

“ I really need to get a hold of Tammi. It's important or at least I feel that it is anyway! My condolences to the family! Tammi if you are reading this plz email me ASAP.

*Julie/aka baby girl Hope*

*jcelona297@gmail.com*

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**Julie Celona** - February 06, 2023 at 09:54 PM

OG

“ I am saddened to just now learn of Nic's passing. As a Rock Creek native also Nic built me my first suppressor. This is a blow not only to me but to a large number of people.

*I am very grateful that I had the opportunity to work with and know Nic.*

*Vaya con Dios Nic.*

*Onion*

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**Onion George** - March 28, 2022 at 03:37 AM



“ Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of David Nicholas "Nick" Hope.



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March 11, 2022 at 04:13 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of David Nicholas "Nick" Hope.



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March 11, 2022 at 03:51 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of David Nicholas "Nick" Hope.



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March 10, 2022 at 09:47 PM



“ I want to tell nicks family and friends how truly sorry I am about Nick. It's completely heart breaking and I know he leaves a huge hole that can never be filled. Nick was one of the nicest men I ever had the privilege to meet and I will miss him dearly. His willingness to share his many years of knowledge with anyone genuinely interested is something I'll never forget about him. I learned more in the time I had with him than I did the first 40 years of my life. He treated me like a friend from the first time we met and he quickly became one of my best friends and a trusted confidant. He always had a good answer for me when I needed advice. And when he didn't he always had a good joke he could make out of the situation. Just a good guy. All around. The best. RIP Nick. We love you buddy.

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**Allen Johnson** - March 10, 2022 at 06:49 PM

MF

*On behalf of your extended family in New Jersey, we would like to express our deepest heart felt condolences to you all in this challenging time.*

*We will continue to keep you all in our prayers and know that the creator will provide strength and peace in the days to come.*

*To be absent with the body is to be present with the creator.*

*We love you guys and are here for you.*

*Rest in paradise Mr. Hope 🙏🙏*

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**Marco Ferro** - March 14, 2022 at 04:02 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of David Nicholas "Nick" Hope.*



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March 10, 2022 at 11:49 AM

PB

“ *Pat & Laura Bailey lit a candle in memory of David Nicholas "Nick" Hope*



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**Pat & Laura Bailey** - March 10, 2022 at 11:15 AM

DS

“ First of all, my heartfelt condolences to Nicks family. He truly was a one of a kind and will always remain so to anyone who got to know him. I got to know Nick not very long ago, about 20 years I believe. Nick was a true gunsmith. He was the only one I would let thread a barrel of my firearms. Put muzzle brakes on them or fit them for suppressors. His integrity was always beyond refute and I knew my firearms were safe in his care and handling. Still my most cherished memories of him are just talking to him. He always seemed to speak from the heart and you knew when you were with him he was talking to you. I truly believe there will have to be 2000+yard gun ranges in heaven and MOA is always one half with variable value winds. Shoot straight my friend till I meet you in Glory again.

David Skinner - March 10, 2022 at 09:53 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of David Nicholas "Nick" Hope.



March 10, 2022 at 09:42 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of David Nicholas "Nick" Hope.



March 10, 2022 at 08:46 AM

JB

“ *Nick will be missed.*

*The last time I met with Nick which seems like yesterday we had a fun conversation about doctors and screwup's. We were comparing notes who's DR. Screwed up the most. I told him that if he died before me got to get his M1 grand. I couldn't even shoot that thing without hurting myself.*

*I'm pretty sure I could go on but I will keep it short you will be missed Nick God bless you.*

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**Jim Butters** - March 09, 2022 at 11:24 PM

JB

“ *Jim Butters lit a candle in memory of David Nicholas "Nick" Hope*



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**Jim Butters** - March 09, 2022 at 11:04 PM

AP

“*Mr. Hope (He was always humble and down to earth and wanted me to call him Nick.) But I always wanted to show him the respect he rightly deserved. Being a lifelong firearms guy myself I looked at him as the real life Yoda when it came to knowledge on the topic. But he was so much more. When I did visit to have a gun engraved we would end up talking for hours about politics, society, people we use to know, etc. Even though I had only know Nick off and on since the late 1990s, I felt I knew him for a lifetime. He was that type of guy. He was generous with his knowledge and advice, and always willing to help someone. I consider it an honor to have known him. While I know I will miss him like everyone else, I take comfort in knowing I will get to hopefully see him and my other friends and family again one day.*

*Fair Winds And Following Seas Nick.*

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**Adam Pratt** - March 09, 2022 at 10:47 PM

PM

“*Nick was a great friend to me for nearly three decades. He had a unique charm that was all his own. I will miss him terribly. God bless his soul, Heaven will certainly be a more interesting place now.*

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**Pat Medders** - March 09, 2022 at 09:10 PM



“*Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of David Nicholas "Nick" Hope.*



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March 09, 2022 at 08:27 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of David Nicholas "Nick" Hope.*



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March 09, 2022 at 05:46 PM



“ *Virginia Parr lit a candle in memory of David Nicholas "Nick" Hope*



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**Virginia Parr** - March 09, 2022 at 04:41 PM