



## Earnest H. "Sonny" Phillips Jr.

August 2, 1948 - January 31, 2026

Earnest H. "Sonny" Phillips, Jr., 77, of Concord, AL passed away on Saturday, January 31, 2026. He was a life-long Coal Miner and former Scout Master for Troop 44. He was preceded in death by his wife, Marietta Phillips, and his son, Jeremy Phillips. Sonny is survived by his children, Chris (Kim) Phillips, James (Leigh Ann) Phillips, and Rebekah (Jeremy) Brown, and Rachel (Barry) McGahon; his grandchildren, Keith, Hunter, Krista, Chase, Bethany, JoAnna, Melanie, Philip, Avery, Patrick and Alex; his great grandchild, Dakota; his brothers, Rick (Nancy) Phillips, and Paul (Cindy) Phillips; and his sister, Cathy King. The funeral service for Sonny will be Friday, February 6, 2026 at 11:00 a.m. at Bessemer Brown Service Funeral Home with burial following at Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church Cemetery. The family will receive friends Friday from 10:00 a.m. until service time. Bro. Mike Stevens will be officiating the service. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Marietta Phillips scholarship fund at Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church.

# Cemetery Details

## Pleasant Ridge Cemetery

Hueytown, AL 35023

# Previous Events

## Receive Friends

FEB 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Bessemer Brown Service Funeral Home  
1300 4th Avenue N  
Bessemer, AL 35020  
(205) 425-2424  
bessemer-brown@hotmail.com  
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## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Earnest H. "Sonny" Phillips Jr..*



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February 03 at 03:15 PM



“ *Mildred Early and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Earnest H. "Sonny" Phillips Jr..*

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**Mildred Early and Family** - February 03 at 03:15 PM



“ *Chris and family. I am so sorry for your loss. I enjoyed visiting with him at family events. He's up there with his buddies now. I love you all.*

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**Kathy Riddle** - February 02 at 02:34 PM



*Chris and family I am so sorry to hear about your dad . Praying for you and the family.*

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**John Smith** - February 02 at 04:43 PM

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*I'm a retired, disabled coal mine, and I've known your daddy for very many years. It didn't work with him, but I've known him through the scout your granddad your uncles and different mines I encountered him at and I don't live but a few doors from him. Your dad was one of the greatest guy I've ever known. He always greeted me softly calmly and happy to see me. That's just how he was to everyone. I remember your mother when she was a nurse. Your dad was a man that was willing to give of himself in his job, with the scouts and most lovingly with a huge family. I know I'm rambling, but I just can't say enough to what a good man your dad was. And I know he was a very hard worker too. I don't know if I can make it Friday . Sympathy to you and your family and I feel better in my life having known Sonny Phillips*

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**Victor Argo** - February 02 at 11:25 PM

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*Dear, Phillips family you guys don't know me but Sonny, Earnest, and Fess worked together for a long so sorry to hear this. I only found out tonight, I really thought the world of him and may God bless each of during this time! RIP old friend!*

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**Kem Phill** - February 09 at 10:51 PM