



Luther Eugene "Gene" Rollins

April 16, 1949 - May 1, 2024

Luther Eugene "Gene" Rollins, age 75, of Greer, South Carolina, passed away peacefully on May 1, 2024. He was born on April 16, 1949, in Greer, SC, the son of the late James Fred Rollins and Ethel Forrester Rollins.

Gene had a remarkable life marked by service, dedication, and love. He graduated from Blue Ridge High School and then honorably served his country in the US Army for four years during the Vietnam War. Gene's bravery and sacrifice were recognized with two Purple Hearts and the Bronze Star for Valor.

Following his military service, Gene embarked on a distinguished 43-year career at Catawba Nuclear Station-Duke Energy in York, where his hard work and dedication left an indelible mark. His commitment to his work was matched only by his devotion to his family and faith.

Gene's greatest joy in life was his family. He shared 54 years of marriage with his beloved wife, Brenda Faye Rollins. Together, they raised a loving family and built a beautiful life centered around faith and love.

Gene is survived by his children: Wendell Rollins (Suzanne) of Springfield, Oregon; Tabatha Cothorn of Elgin, SC; and Tonya Rollins of Blythewood, SC. He was a loving grandfather to Angela Cothorn (Jason) of Elgin, SC; Crystal

McDowell (Jordan) of Springfield, Oregon; Samantha of Weddington, NC; and Brian Cothorn of Weddington, NC. Gene was also a devoted great-grandfather to Arya Jagan ("Little Mae") and Elijah Thomas McDowell.

Gene found strength and solace in his faith as an active member of Calvary Baptist Church in Rock Hill, SC, particularly within Tim Vaughn's Sunday School class.

He is also survived by his siblings: Brenda DuBose (Robert), Randall Rollins (Elaine), Rebecca Justice (Danny), and Eddie Rollins (Elizabeth).

Gene Rollins will be remembered for his lighting up a room, unwavering integrity, selflessness, and love for his family and community. His legacy of honor and service will continue to inspire all who were fortunate to know him.

A graveside service to celebrate Gene's life will be held at 3:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 7, 2024, at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to Tim Vaughn Sunday School Class c/o Calvary Baptist Church, P.O. Box 11650, Rock Hill, SC 29731, in Gene's honor.

Gene touched the lives of many and will be deeply missed by all who had the privilege of knowing him. He is now with the King.

Online condolences may be made at www.thewoodmortuary.com.

Previous Events

Graveside

MAY 7. 3:00 PM (ET)

Hillcrest Memory Gardens
14050 East Wade Hampton Boulevard
Greer, SC 29651

Tribute Wall

RE

“ Gene was a great co worker and friend.. He had a great sense of humor and loved life.. He was a great Christian and loved his family dearly.. He will be missed.

Resa Eddins - May 07, 2024 at 12:36 AM

DM

Prayers for family and many friends

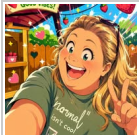
David T Medley - May 08, 2024 at 02:58 PM



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from among 850 men to read the scripture and give the dedicatory remarks at the dedication of a chapel last month at Bong Tan in Vietnam. He serves with the 6th Battalion, 31st Infantry and has received two purple hearts during his tour of duty. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James F.

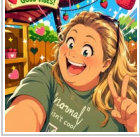
Julia Parris - May 06, 2024 at 10:59 PM



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Julia Parris - May 06, 2024 at 10:09 PM



“ *Julia Parris lit a candle in memory of Luther Rollins*



Julia Parris - May 06, 2024 at 10:02 PM

BH

“ *Worked with Gene at Catawba as I/O coordinator. One of the most dedicated people I have ever worked with. After my retirement I went back and worked with Gene during outages and he would help me more than he ever realized ! I bet Gene is in heaven now corridating for God ! Gene you will be missed. One of your many friends. Buster Hill*

Buster Hill - May 06, 2024 at 08:38 PM

SN

“ *Gene was a good friend of mine & a very dedicated worker at Catawba Nuclear Station. I will always remember his Smile & Friendly Attitude! My sincere condolences to the entire Rollins Family. May the cherished memories of Good Times together bring you comfort during this time of loss.*

Steve Norton - May 06, 2024 at 08:32 PM

KB

“ *Brenda, Donnie and I are so sad to hear of Gene's passing. Such a wonderful, kind , funny and Godly man. You and you precious family are in our thoughts and prayers. Donnie and Klm Boyd*

Kim Boyd - May 06, 2024 at 11:26 AM

ZR

“ *Worked with him at Catawba. Great guy
Zeke Rybczyk*

Zeke Rybczyk - May 06, 2024 at 07:12 AM

EG

“ *Gene may have finished his last " Outage" hear on Earth, but we all
are Greatfull for the one he has started in Gods domain. He loved
his family and friends all as one. Thank you Gene for being my
Friend*

Eddie Guy - May 05, 2024 at 02:09 PM

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“ *I am so sorry for your lost. We all know where he is now and one
day we will see him again. My regret is I never told him what he
meant to me as a Christian mentor.
From Neil Ashman*

neil ashman - May 04, 2024 at 05:22 AM