



Mr. Robert John Hornsby

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Robert John Hornsby, age 83, of Whites Creek, TN, passed away on Thursday, December 26, 2019. He is preceded in death by his parents, Benjamin and Ilona Hornsby; five brothers, Irving Mader, Benjamin Hornsby, Joseph Hornsby, Russell Hornsby, Henry Hornsby; one sister, Lee Nable; one grandchild, Travis Flythe. He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Shirley Hornsby; one son, Ben Hornsby (Becky); one daughter, Susan Flythe (Edward Gray); one sister, Helen Theobald; four grandchildren, Christopher Hornsby, Emily Sleister (Ambrose), Missy Flythe, Kelly Flythe; five great-grandchildren, Travis Powers, Ethan Powers, Levi Powers, Jaxon Powers, Philip Tonski; several nieces and nephews.

Bob loved working outside, especially in his yard. You could find him most days riding his tractor around the yard, moving dirt and rocks, cutting the grass or mulching leaves. He was an avid backyard birder and loved to sit and watch the birds with a cup of coffee. He likely spent a fortune on birdseed over the years. Bob “knew what he liked”-- collecting guns, old western movies, and travel in his younger years (and what he didn’t like- Italian food and garlic). He dedicated many years of his life to service — to his country- he was a decorated war veteran, his community, and his family. He was generous to a fault and always happy to help a neighbor, family member, or friend — all you had to do was ask. Bob was absolutely devoted to his wife, Shirley, and his family. He will be greatly missed.

Visitation for Robert will be held on January 6, 2020 from 10 AM until 12 PM, at which time a Celebration of Life Funeral Service will be conducted from the chapel of Spring Hill Funeral Home, 5110 Gallatin Road, Nashville, TN, 37216. With gratitude for his 26 years of service, burial with full Air Force Honors will follow at the Middle Tennessee State Veterans Cemetery, Pegram, TN. Friends and family are requested to follow in procession to the cemetery. Arrangements by Spring Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery, a Nashville landmark since 1785, “Where Nashville Comes to Remember.”



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In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to either [The American Cancer Society](#) or [The Fisher House Foundation](#).



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Visitation

- Monday, January 6, 2020
- 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM CT
- Spring Hill Funeral Home**
5110 Gallatin Pike S, Nashville TN 37216



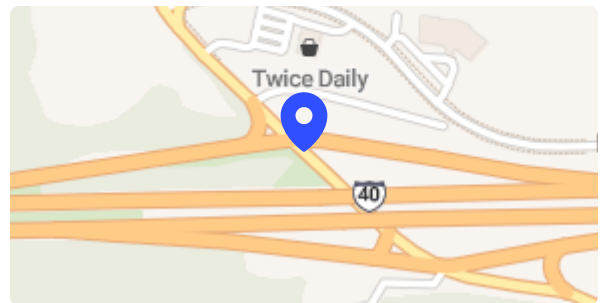
Celebration Of Life Funeral Ceremony

- Monday, January 6, 2020
- 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM CT
- Spring Hill Funeral Home**
5110 Gallatin Pike S, Nashville TN 37216



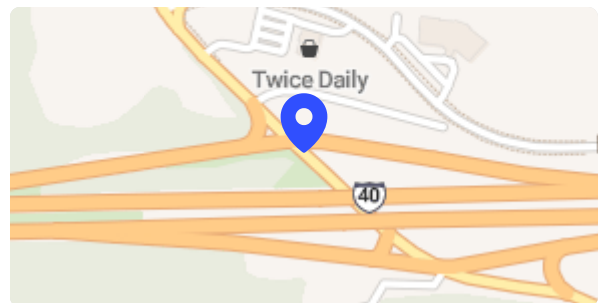
Burial

- Monday, January 6, 2020
- 2:00 PM - 2:15 PM CT
- Middle Tennessee State Veterans Cemetery**
7931 McCrory Lane, Nashville TN 37221



Cemetery Details

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Tribute Wall

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Anonymous sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Hornsby family.

January 4 at 4:10 AM



Larry & Donna Powell sent a virtual gift in honor of Robert.

January 1 at 5:36 AM



Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Hornsby family.

December 30 at 12:16 PM



Natalie Hudgens lit a candle in honor of Robert.

Bob was not my Uncle by blood, but was my family just the same. I didn't get up to see him as often as I should have and I regret that. He was a special person. He loved me as if I was true blood kin and is going to be missed so very much. From the first time I met him in about 1979 or early 1980, he has treated me as if he had known me all my life. He was one of the most kind hearted people I've known. He would do anything for you, could make you laugh and definitely loved his family. RIP Uncle Bob...I love you very much!Natalie Hudgens

December 27 at 7:57 AM





Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Robert by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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