



Thomas Rayburn Massey

August 18, 1947 - January 16, 2022

Rayburn Massey age 74 of Russellville passed away on Sunday, January 16, 2022

Rayburn was a member of Five Points Church of Christ. He is a graduate of Belgreen High School and earned a diploma in instrumentation and electronics at Calhoun Junior College. Massey also earned a FAA licensed mechanic degree from Hamilton Technical School.

Massey, a Franklin County native, served as Commissioner for District Three from 2004-2008, and from 2012-2020.

He worked as a department supervisor for Monsanto/Solutia, where he oversaw a department of more than 50 employees.

As a commissioner, Massey was passionate about working to improve Franklin County. He helped to improve county roads and bridges through funding from the Alabama Transportation Rehabilitation Improvement Program in the amount of \$12 million plus.

He served on the Franklin County Broadband Task Force and worked diligently to help bring broadband to rural areas of Franklin County before leaving office in 2020.

Rayburn is survived by his wife Brenda; two children, Crista Massey and Jeff Massey (Tara); four precious grandchildren, Kody Madden (Madison), Darby Lindsay (Daniel), Madelyn Massey and Reagan Massey; brother Royce Massey (Becky) ; two sisters, Rita Prince (Danny) and Judy Joseph (Tim) as well as a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Matthew and Lou Ella Massey; brother, Jerry Massey and nephew Greg Massey.

Visitation will be Wednesday from 2pm – 4pm at Pinkard Funeral Home of Russellville, with the funeral service following in the chapel at 4pm. Danny Fuller and Delmer Duboise will officiate.

In lieu of flowers the family asks that you consider making a donation to your favorite charity in honor of Rayburn Massey.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the family respectfully asks, that you wear masks and practice social distancing.

Pinkard Funeral Home of Russellville assisted the family.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 19. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Pinkard Funeral Home - Russellville
27305 Hwy 24 East
P.O. Box 502
Russellville, AL 35653
(256) 332-7772
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<https://www.pinkardfh.com>

Funeral Service

JAN 19. 4:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



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Pinkard Funeral Home - January 19, 2022 at 11:35 AM

DJ

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with all the family. We love each of you and yall hold a soecial place in our hearts. Dale James family and Hazel James*

dale james - January 19, 2022 at 08:31 AM

JT

“ *we are sorry for your loss. Our prayers and thoughts are with the Massey family James Ray and Joyce Tompkins*

James Tompkins - January 18, 2022 at 03:57 PM

RK

“ *Remember when Ray worked all that overtime*

Ronnie Kelsoe - January 17, 2022 at 02:17 PM



I always looked to "Big M" -- he was such a good person, a hard worker, and was a great friend. The world will always need more people like him.

BJ Bell - January 17, 2022 at 04:28 PM



Brenda, Praying for you and your family.

Brenda Bolding Terry - January 20, 2022 at 02:41 PM