



## Richard Wayne White

February 18, 1946 - January 31, 2022

The love story of Ricky and Alice White began when they met as teenagers and were married 3 months later, a marriage which lasted over 54 years until the time of their deaths, one day apart.

Richard Wayne White was born in Mobile, Alabama on February 18, 1946, and departed for his heavenly home on January 31, 2022.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Maggie Hoodless White; father, Jackson White; and sister-in-law, Jewel White.

He is survived by his daughter, LaShay Carman; son, Chris (Jennie) White; granddaughters, Taylor Carman and Krisanna White; grandson, Chance White; brother, Steve White; sister, Barbara (Lulu) Lott; other relatives, and friends.

Vera Alice White was born June 29, 1948 in Columbus, Georgia, and departed for her heavenly home on February 1, 2022. She was preceded in death by her mother, Vera Lee Braxton Smith; father, Douglas Cecil Smith; and brother, Douglas Alfred Smith. She is survived by her daughter, LaShay Carman; son, Chris (Jennie) White; granddaughters, Taylor Carman and Krisanna White; grandson, Chance White; other relatives, and friends.

Ricky, as he was known, was born in Mobile, AL and spent most of his adult life in Semmes, AL. He attended Baker High School where he was a standout athlete, particularly in baseball. His love for baseball continued as he grew older, and he also fell in love with softball. He played, coached, and umpired both sports for years, making many friends along the way. He worked for International Paper Company for 25+ years until retirement. He loved doing kind things for people in his community and many of the Semmes' businesses will miss his frequent visits with freshly baked cookies he prepared himself.

Alice was born in Columbus, Georgia, and was a lifelong resident of Mobile and Semmes. She also attended Baker High School. Alice loved photography and worked for Prestige Photography for 2 decades before retiring for the best job ever, to care for her grandchildren! That never stopped her zest for snapping photos; it just gave her more

subjects. She was forever asking to take a picture or two, sometimes to her family's annoyance, but something they are very grateful for now. Alice even asked for pictures and selfies to be taken with her children while she was literally on her deathbed, knowing these would be treasures for her them and her grandchildren in the years to come.

As they grew older, their lives revolved around their children and grandchildren. Ricky and Alice loved watching them participate in sports and other activities. They made it a priority to attend every event they possibly could, bringing them much pride and happiness. They were well known in the Semmes community by their grandparent names, "PawPaw" and "Ganny," with many of the kids growing up considering them to be like family. They also spent as much time as possible traveling to visit their son, daughter-in-law, and two grandchildren in Jacksonville, Florida, which was always a treat but made the distance more pronounced when they had to leave.

They were active in several churches over the years and most recently with Gracepoint and Pathways Churches. Both will be remembered for their kind words to everyone they encountered and for their love of God and their love of family.

They were reunited in heaven after being apart for only 30 hours.

Visitation will be held on Monday, February 7, 2022 from 2-3 PM at Serenity Funeral Home, followed by service at 3 PM. Interment will be held in Serenity Memorial Gardens.

# Cemetery Details

**Serenity Memorial Gardens**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

FEB 7. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Serenity Funeral Home  
8691 Old Pascagoula Road  
Theodore, AL 36582  
<https://www.serenityfuneralhome.com/>

### Funeral Service

FEB 7. 3:00 PM (CT)

Serenity Funeral Home  
8691 Old Pascagoula Road  
Theodore, AL 36582  
<https://www.serenityfuneralhome.com/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Serenity Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Richard Wayne White*



**Serenity Funeral Home** - February 07 at 03:50 PM

JR

*I went to Baker with both Ricky and Alice. They were a perfect couple in high school and life. She was on my fb and started talking about her son. Come to find out our sons were good friends!! They both loved their children and grands. Both will be missed by so many. What an honor to have known this beautiful couple.*

**Janice Harris Ross** - February 07 at 04:44 PM

RP

“ *Sad to here of their passing. When I worked at the original Hickory Pitt in Semmes, Mr. White would call after lunch almost every day to see if we had corn bread left from lunch... He would always ask me to put them up for him....So we nicked named him "Cornbread". So any time I seen him after that we would always cut up about back in the day about his nick name!! Always put a smile on my face to see how it made him happy to be called " Cornbread "!! They will both be missed!! So sorry for the family, you will be in my prayers. God Bless!!!*



**Regina Phillips** - February 08 at 03:05 AM

RT

“ *I worked with Ricky at the Mill and played softball with him too. He was a Good Man. May he Rest In Peace, and his family find Comfort in his memories.*

*Richard K. Thomas  
Madison Alabama*



**Richard K. Thomas** - February 04 at 01:23 PM