



Morris Keith Rakestraw

February 20, 1940 - November 14, 2025

Funeral Service for Morris Keith Rakestraw, age 85 of Cullman, will be at 1:00 PM on Tuesday, November 18, 2025 at Fairview First Baptist Church with Dr. David Chambers and Pastor Etsel Riddle officiating; burial at First Baptist Church of Fairview. Visitation will be from 11:00 AM-1:00 PM on Tuesday, November 18, 2025 at Fairview First Baptist Church.

Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Rakestraw passed away on Friday, November 14, 2025 at his residence. He was born, February 20, 1940 to Raymond and Gertrude Rakestraw.

Morris was a devoted Christian, husband, and father. He was an avid outdoorsman who enjoyed spending time with his family and friends, gardening, and telling funny stories from his life. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

He was preceded in death by his parents and also his sister, Cheryl Rakestraw.

Survivors include his wife of 65 years, Donna Rakestraw; sons, Derek (Tracie) Rakestraw and Daren (Vanessa) Rakestraw; daughter, Marisa (Chris Durst) Mitchell; grandchildren, Whitney (Ben) Halbrooks, Landon (Naomi) Rakestraw,

Nicki (Zach) Tauton, Lucas Rakestraw, Alden Rakestraw, Alex Rakestraw, Weston Rakestraw, Lila Mitchell and Bennett Mitchell; great grandchildren, Remi, Rylee, Ruthie and Jett Halbrooks and Matthew Tauton; sister, Dianne (Kinnie) Bailey; brother, Edward (Patricia) Rakestraw; and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Special thanks to his neighbors, friends, and church family.

Cemetery Details

First Baptist Church of Fairview Cemetery

Cullman, AL 35058

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 18. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church of Fairview
1022 Welcome Road
Cullman, AL 35058-1478
(256) 796-4611

Funeral Service

NOV 18. 1:00 PM.

Fairview First Baptist Church

Tribute Wall

WR

“ Donna,Dianne, Edward and all of Morris's Family: My thoughts and prayers to each of you in the passing of Bro Morris. I liked Morris the short time I had the pleasure of knowing him and family and appreciated his kin ship. Sorry I was unable to attend today with each of you , but I had a pulmonary test in Marietta Ga. They think I have some asbestos from my work and will know I hope soon. I will be praying for each of you in the coming days that God will bless and comfort you. Love to all , Wendell O Rakestraw, Centre, Al

Wendell O Rakestraw - November 18, 2025 at 09:07 PM

RL

“ Ralph Lewis lit a candle in memory of Morris Rakestraw



Ralph Lewis - November 18, 2025 at 10:56 AM

TN

“ Tim neal lit a candle in memory of Morris Rakestraw



Tim neal - November 17, 2025 at 10:20 PM

AJ

“ Adrienne & John planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Morris Keith Rakestraw.

Adrienne & John - November 17, 2025 at 12:37 PM

AJ

“ Adrienne & John purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Morris Keith Rakestraw.



Adrienne & John - November 17, 2025 at 12:37 PM

BS

“ Betty S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Morris Keith Rakestraw.

Betty S. - November 17, 2025 at 12:06 PM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Morris Keith Rakestraw.



November 17, 2025 at 08:40 AM

BS

“ Bobby and Suzanne Stanford planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Morris Keith Rakestraw.

Bobby and Suzanne Stanford - November 17, 2025 at 08:40 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Morris Keith Rakestraw.



November 17, 2025 at 06:55 AM

LD

“ Love, Cynthia and Nathan Durst planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Morris Keith Rakestraw.

Love, Cynthia and Nathan Durst - November 17, 2025 at 06:55 AM

RF

“ Robert Scruggs Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Morris Keith Rakestraw.



Robert Scruggs Family - November 17, 2025 at 12:00 AM

VA

“ 1 file added to the album *Family Photos*



Vanessa - November 16, 2025 at 08:03 PM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet* was purchased for the family of *Morris Keith Rakestraw*.



November 16, 2025 at 05:21 PM

VA

“ 1 file added to the album *Tribute Wall*



vanessa - November 16, 2025 at 05:01 PM

VA

“ 1 file added to the album *Family Photos*



Vanessa - November 16, 2025 at 03:03 PM

VA

“ 1 file added to the album Family Photos



Vanessa - November 16, 2025 at 03:02 PM

PS

“ Pat & Charlie Swanson purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Morris Keith Rakestraw.



Pat & Charlie Swanson - November 16, 2025 at 01:53 PM

BP

“ Bob and Marcia Pruett planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Morris Keith Rakestraw.

Bob and Marcia Pruett - November 16, 2025 at 11:36 AM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Morris Keith Rakestraw.



November 16, 2025 at 11:36 AM

RH

“ Rick and Deborah Halbrooks purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Morris Keith Rakestraw.



Rick and Deborah Halbrooks - November 16, 2025 at 08:57 AM