



## Brigadier General (Ret) Earl 'Rusty' Burch

October 23, 2023

A graveside service for Brigadier General (Ret) Earl 'Rusty' Burch, 78 of Oxford, will be held on Wednesday, November 1, 2023, at 1:15 pm at Alabama National Cemetery in Montevallo, Alabama.

Mr. Burch passed away on October 23, 2023, at his home, surrounded by family.

He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Jan Burch; daughters, Traci Lee Scott and Terri Lee Gayer (Robbyn); grandchildren, Christopher Scott (Bee), Bryan Scott (Samira), Eric Scott (Tiffany), Jasper Gayer, Gavin Gayer; great grandchildren, Talia Scott, Leila Scott, Oliver Scott, Penelope Scott, Chelbee Scott; brother, Michael Metzsig, and a host of extended family members and friends.

He is preceded in death by his mother, Norine Kirby, father, Earl Burch Sr., and his son in law, James Phillip Scott Jr.

Mr. Burch retired from the United States Army after serving his country proudly in the Vietnam War. He also retired from the Defense Logistics Agency.

He had many passions in life including running, where he completed four JFK

50 Mile Ultramarathons. He also loved traveling the world with his family, golfing, and sharing a cocktail with his friends on the 19th hole.

Mr. Burch was incredibly loyal to his family and friends. He was a loving husband, father, PaPaw, great PaPaw, and friend to many and will be greatly missed.

The family would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the staff of Amedisys Hospice for the love and care shown to Mr. Burch and his family.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation in Mr. Burch's name to an organization that is helping cure cancer.

# Cemetery Details

## Alabama National Cemetery

3133 Highway 119  
Montevallo, AL 35115

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

NOV 1. 1:15 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *What a blessing it was to meet my biological Aunt Janice & Uncle Rusty for the first time in 2016. We will miss Uncle Rusty. He was so very sweet! Blessings to all!* ”

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**Dana Peterson** - November 12, 2023 at 04:15 PM