



Mr. Frank David Reed Jr.

August 9, 1956 - June 19, 2025

Frank David Reed, Jr.

On the afternoon of June 19, 2025, Frank David Reed, Jr. passed away at his home in

Guntersville, Alabama. He was 68 years old.

Born on August 9, 1956, in Tuscaloosa to Frank David Reed, Sr. and Kathryn Rains Reed,

David's story truly began when his family moved home to Albertville. It was there—among

the fields of his Granddaddy Reed's farm—that he developed a lifelong love for the outdoors.

Whether it was dove or duck season, he found joy and peace in nature, where he felt most at home.

David was a standout athlete at Albertville High School, where he earned numerous All-

County and All-Region honors across football, baseball, and track. In 1973, he helped lead

his Aggie teams to county championships in all three sports—an especially rare feat given

the overlap of baseball and track seasons. Despite the challenge of competing in both

simultaneously, David thrived. That same year, he was honored as “Aggie of

the Year” for football, a testament to his leadership, talent, and relentless drive on the field. While attending the University of Alabama, David helped found the university’s first water ski team, later placing third nationally in the men’s open water ski jumping competition in 1975. His natural ability, competitive spirit, and determination carried him far—on water, land, and in life. It was in 1977, on a boat ride, that fate (Janet) intervened. A meeting arranged by chance and guided by intuition led him to Jamey, the woman he would spend the next 45 years loving and building a beautiful life with. Together, they raised three children—Mary Kathryn (Capper), Whit, and Jim Greer—and created a world filled with boat rides, football games, and unwavering family bonds. David led by example, and the values he lived by—loyalty, faith, and family—are now carried on by his children. After graduating from Alabama, he joined his family business, Reed Explosives, before eventually partnering with his father-in-law, Jim Whitaker. Over the next four decades, he helped grow Whitaker Contracting and Madison Materials into pillars of progress in North Alabama. With his sons by his side, David spent the second half of his career expanding the business even further across the Southeast. A respected leader in the construction and road-building industry, David served as

president of both the Alabama Road Builders Association and the Alabama Asphalt

Pavement Association. He championed innovation and always prioritized people over profit.

His steady leadership, humility, and desire to improve his community made him one of the

most admired and influential figures in Alabama infrastructure.

David's commitment to service extended beyond his industry. From 2001 to 2016, he

served on the Guntersville City School Board, leaving a lasting legacy through his passion for

education and heart for students. A faithful member of the Guntersville Church of Christ,

David lived his values daily—generous, kind, humble, and faithful to those around him. He

was a quiet force of good in his community, always finding ways to give without recognition.

But of all the titles he held—athlete, businessman, mentor, leader—the one he treasured

most was “Grandy.” His four grandchildren were the light of his life, and the love he gave

them was boundless. His legacy will live on through their laughter, their stories, and the

way they love others.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 45 years, Jamey; their children Mary Kathryn, Whit

(Kali), and Jim Greer (Sara); his grandchildren Aline, Mary Wesleigh, Lottie, and Guy; his

mother Kathryn Reed; and sister Joy (Danny). He also leaves behind a host of

nieces,

nephews, cousins, and friends who adored him.

He was preceded in death by his father, Frank David Reed, Sr.

David Reed was many things to many people—an athlete, a leader, a servant, a storyteller, a

protector, and a friend. But above all, he was love in action. His life was a blessing, and his

memory will be a guiding light for all who knew him.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to Gunter Avenue Church of Christ 800 Gunter Avenue Gunter Avenue, Alabama 35976.

Cemetery Details

Crestview Cemetery

Crestview Rd
Guntersville, AL 35976

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **22**. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Guntersville Church of Christ
800 Gunter Ave.
Guntersville, AL 35769

Lie in state at Church

JUN **23**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Guntersville Church of Christ
800 Gunter Ave.
Guntersville, AL 35769

Funeral Service

JUN **23**. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Frank David Reed Jr..*



June 24, 2025 at 08:53 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mr. Frank David Reed Jr..

June 24, 2025 at 08:53 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mr. Frank David Reed Jr..*



June 24, 2025 at 08:29 AM



“ *Johnny Walton purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mr. Frank David Reed Jr..*



Johnny Walton - June 23, 2025 at 12:53 PM

MK

“ My thoughts and prayers are with David’s family. His family and mine were good friends when I was growing up in Albertville, and David’s mother was my sixth grade teacher. His sister, Joy, and I worked together in Jefferson County Schools. My heart breaks for David’s family.

Sincerely,
Mary Morgan Klein

Mary Morgan Klein - June 22, 2025 at 10:15 PM

CF

“ Craig Fleming purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mr. Frank David Reed Jr..



Craig Fleming - June 22, 2025 at 07:59 PM

CF

“ Craig Fleming planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Frank David Reed Jr..

Craig Fleming - June 22, 2025 at 07:59 PM

JD

“ Jack Mathews, Former AAPA Director purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Mr. Frank David Reed Jr..



Jack Mathews, Former AAPA Director - June 22, 2025 at 01:52 PM

JD

“ Jack Mathews, Former AAPA Director planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Frank David Reed Jr..

Jack Mathews, Former AAPA Director - June 22, 2025 at 01:52 PM

AW

“ Amy W. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Frank David Reed Jr..

Amy W. - June 21, 2025 at 10:08 PM

SC

“ Stone Equipment Company purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Mr. Frank David Reed Jr..



Stone Equipment Company - June 21, 2025 at 08:41 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Frank David Reed Jr..



June 21, 2025 at 06:33 PM

VC

“ *Vulcan Materials Company purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mr. Frank David Reed Jr..*



Vulcan Materials Company - June 21, 2025 at 06:26 PM

JW

“ *So sorry for your loss..*

Jan Canada Whisenant - June 21, 2025 at 05:45 PM

BF

“ *We are praying for Jamey and Family that God will give you Strength and Peace in this very difficult season. David was a gentle soul that will be missed.*



Brenda May & Family - June 21, 2025 at 05:01 PM

CP

“ *Christian & Denaburg, PC purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mr. Frank David Reed Jr..*



Christian & Denaburg, PC - June 21, 2025 at 03:07 PM

BF

“ Brewer and Green Families purchased the Your Light Shines for the family of Mr. Frank David Reed Jr..



Brewer and Green Families - June 21, 2025 at 02:59 PM

YC

“ Your Friends at TEC, Tractor Equipment Co purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of Mr. Frank David Reed Jr..



Your Friends at TEC, Tractor Equipment Co - June 21, 2025 at 02:48 PM

YC

“ Your Friends at TEC, Tractor Equipment Co planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Frank David Reed Jr..

Your Friends at TEC, Tractor Equipment Co - June 21, 2025 at 02:48 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Frank David Reed Jr..



June 21, 2025 at 01:42 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mr. Frank David Reed Jr..

June 21, 2025 at 01:42 PM



“ Terry S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Frank David Reed Jr..

Terry S. - June 21, 2025 at 01:33 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Frank David Reed Jr..



June 21, 2025 at 12:09 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mr. Frank David Reed Jr..

June 21, 2025 at 12:09 PM



“ Alabama Road Builders Association purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Frank David Reed Jr..



Alabama Road Builders Association - June 21, 2025 at 11:48 AM

YJ

“ Your Regions Family , Lori,Matt,and Josh purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Mr. Frank David Reed Jr..



Your Regions Family , Lori,Matt,and Josh - June 21, 2025 at 10:44 AM

YJ

“ Your Regions Family , Lori,Matt,and Josh planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Frank David Reed Jr..

Your Regions Family , Lori,Matt,and Josh - June 21, 2025 at 10:44 AM

TF

“ The Barkley Family purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Mr. Frank David Reed Jr..



The Barkley Family - June 21, 2025 at 10:03 AM

TF

“ The Barkley Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Frank David Reed Jr..

The Barkley Family - June 21, 2025 at 10:03 AM

FF

“ From the Piersall Family purchased the Serene Reflections Bouquet for the family of Mr. Frank David Reed Jr..



From the Piersall Family - June 21, 2025 at 08:52 AM

JP

“ Jarrett Paving purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mr. Frank David Reed Jr..



Jarrett Paving - June 20, 2025 at 10:28 PM

JP

“ Jarrett Paving planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Frank David Reed Jr..

Jarrett Paving - June 20, 2025 at 10:28 PM