



## Reeves Beasley

November 28, 1942 - July 28, 2024

Willard Reeves Beasley, known affectionately as "RB," passed away on July 28, 2024, in Jackson, Mississippi, at the age of 81. Born on November 28, 1942, in Hazlehurst, Mississippi, RB lived a life marked by dedication to his family, friends and community.

RB worked on the railroad as a locomotive engineer in the 70s and 80s and also served in the National Guard, where he committed himself to the values of duty and service. After retiring, he embarked on a career that saw him owning and operating RB's One Stop and 3B's Auto Sales which showcased his entrepreneurial spirit and strong work ethic.

A member of the Hazlehurst Methodist Church, RB's faith was a cornerstone of his life. He was a man of simple pleasures, one of which was his love for cows which reflected his deep appreciation for the simpler, rural lifestyle.

RB created a beautiful life with his wife of 61 years, Eloise Beasley. Together, they raised three daughters and were blessed with six grandchildren and a great-granddaughter. He is survived by his wife, Eloise; daughters Andrea (Kendall) McManus and Amy (Stanley) Eckhoff; grandchildren Christina (Caleb) Story, Ashley (John) Hamblin, Haley McManus, Dylan McManus, Cory (Kaitlen) Eckhoff, and Cole Eckhoff; great-granddaughter Ruby McManus; siblings Dennis (Donna) Beasley and Charlotte (Frank) Neely. RB was

preceded in death by his parents, Florence and Lawrence Beasley, and daughter Angela Beasley Adams.

Visitation will be 5pm-7pm Wednesday and 12pm-2pm Thursday at Stringer Family Funeral Home in Hazlehurst. The service will be 2pm Thursday at Stringer Family Chapel with burial at Shady Grove Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Hazlehurst Methodist Church.

# Cemetery Details

## Shady Grove Baptist Church Cemetery

Hwy 472  
Hazlehurst, MS 39083

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 31. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Stringer Family Funeral Home - Hazlehurst  
PO Box 884  
28023 Hwy 28  
Hazlehurst, MS 39083  
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## Visitation

AUG 1. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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## Funeral Service

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AUG 1. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Stringer Family Funeral Service created a Tribute Video in memory of Reeves Beasley*



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**Stringer Family Funeral Service** - July 31, 2024 at 04:44 PM



“ *-Ashley's Inlet Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Reeves Beasley.*

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**-Ashley's Inlet Family** - July 31, 2024 at 02:04 PM



“ *-Ashley's Inlet Family purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Reeves Beasley.*



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**-Ashley's Inlet Family** - July 31, 2024 at 02:04 PM



“ 53 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Stringer Family Funeral Service** - July 31, 2024 at 11:39 AM



“ *Janis Gandy purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Reeves Beasley.*



**Janis Gandy** - July 30, 2024 at 08:42 PM



“ *Alex & Gay Hamblin purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Reeves Beasley.*



**Alex & Gay Hamblin** - July 30, 2024 at 05:10 PM



“ 13 files added to the album Life Tributes



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**Stringer Family Funeral Service** - July 30, 2024 at 12:22 PM

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“ *Reed and I drank coffee together early every morning. We enjoyed the fun and jokes. It was never a dull moment. He was my mentor when it came to learning about cows.*

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**Tommy Warren** - July 30, 2024 at 10:54 AM

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“ *Our Deepest sympathy and condolences to Eloise and their family. Reeves and Eloise were good friends all through our school years. We graduated in the same 1961 class. It's been a blessing to see and visit with them in the last number of years as I've been able to return for class reunions hosted at their lovely country home. We loved them dearly and delighted in visiting with them. Your family have been and continue to be in thoughts and prayers. Love, Kaye (Freeman) and Paul Woolstenhulme.*

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**KayeWoolstenhulme** - July 29, 2024 at 09:46 PM

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“ My wife (Ann) and I extend our heartfelt sympathy to Eloise and Reeves’ entire family. Reeves was a wonderful friend during our high school years. He and Eloise have been very instrumental in organizing and hosting the reunions for the 1961 Class at Hazlehurst High School over the years. May God’s eternal love comfort the family.

Sincerely,

Alvin Russell

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Alvin Russell - July 29, 2024 at 05:51 PM



“ Love and Prayers With Ya'll....John 14

Sandra Cliburn



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Sandra Cliburn - July 29, 2024 at 02:57 PM