



## Rayford Windle

September 17, 1944 - August 1, 2024

Rayford Windle, age 79 of Perryville, passed away August 1, 2024 . He was born September 17, 1944 in Morrilton, Arkansas.

He is survived by his loving wife of 59 years, Patty; Son, Rusty Windle of Eureka Springs, Arkansas; daughter, Rhonda Walker (Chad) of Houston, Arkansas; and son, Randy Windle (Lyndsey) of Hot Springs, Arkansas. Five grandchildren; Benjamin Windle of Fayetteville; Grace Windle of Springdale; Britton Walker of Houston; Landon Walker of Houston; and Easton Walker of Houston. One sister, Cheryl Windle (Wayne) of Perryville; nephew, Chris Wilson, of Perryville; and many other loving nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Bert and Nell Windle of Perryville. Rayford loved the Lord and his church family at the Perryville church of Christ and served there as an elder and song leader for over 40 years. He loved leading singing and will forever be remembered for his beautiful bass voice and spirited songs. His strong faith and wise counsel aided many who came to him troubled and needing help. He was a wise, strong, and generous man who quietly helped so many, but he never sought recognition or praise. He was the kind of man that would help a neighbor, friend and stranger, never asking or expecting anything in return. It was often said that if you needed help of any kind, Rayford was the man to call. His devotion to the church, his family, friends and community was beyond measure, and he truly was the kind of example we should all strive to be.

Rayford loved farming and would rather be in his tractor listening to John Denver and his religious music tapes than on a creek bank fishing. His man-cave had wheels and when the ground was dry enough, you could find him down on the farm doing what he loved best. But whether it was at his office or on the farm, he gave everything the very best that he could. His ability to diagnose problems, repair and operate just about any kind of equipment constantly amazed his friends and family. He loved to work and to him an eight-hour day was just getting started.

He was a certified public accountant and a member of the Arkansas State Society of CPA's and American Society of CPA's. He volunteered his services both as a CPA and community volunteer to the Perryville church of Christ, Perryville Athletic Assoc, Perryville Band Boosters, Antioch Cemetery Board, Cherry Hill Volunteer Fire Department and more than a dozen other area non-profit, civic and community service organizations. He's served as President and Vice-President of the Perryville School Board, held various board positions for the Perry County Conservation Board and Perry County Watershed District. He has also served on the board or was a member of the Toad Suck Ferry Board, Farm Bureau, Arkansas Cattlemen's association and other organizations too numerous to mention.

Rayford was a quiet man and enjoyed the simple things in life. His only exception of this simple life rule was the magnificent Christmas light display that delighted so many of the community. With the help of a devoted farm family, thousands of Christmas lights and the giant reindeer would go up each December and he loved to see the enjoyment they gave others.

Services will be at the Harris Funeral Home in Morrilton at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, August 5, 2024. Marty Satterfield will conduct the service, assisted by the elders and deacons of the Perryville church of Christ. Arrangements are by Harris Funeral Home of Morrilton.

In lieu of flowers, if you wish, a donation can be made to the Antioch Cemetery Fund at the Farmers and Merchants Bank in Perryville, Arkansas.



# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

AUG 5. 10:00 AM (CT)

Harris Funeral Homes - Morrilton  
1325 Oak St  
Morrilton, AR 72110  
(501) 354-4575

# Tribute Wall

TO

“ Rayford was always a ray of sunshine in my life as a child. He was the kindest man and always made me feel like I belonged at the church. My heart and love goes out to his family.

tony - September 18, 2024 at 01:10 PM

JZ

“ I'm so very sorry for your loss. He has been doing my taxes for about 35 yrs. He always did a great job and was always so very kind. He will be deeply missed. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

Jennifer Zinser - August 09, 2024 at 08:03 PM

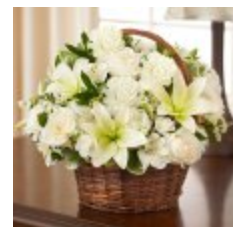
HF

“ Hanks F. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rayford Windle.

Hanks F. - August 05, 2024 at 10:51 AM



“ Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- All White was purchased for the family of Rayford Windle.



August 05, 2024 at 10:51 AM

BL

“ Pat, sending thoughts, prayers and love to you and your family today and the days to follow.

*Bill and Sandra*

Bill and Sandra Lamb - August 04, 2024 at 09:31 PM

BF

“ Rayford was always calm with everything that was going on. He will be missed.

Brad Faulkner - August 03, 2024 at 10:49 PM

TE

“ Tony & Gina Eubanks purchased the Red & White Sympathy Standing Spray for the family of Rayford Windle.



Tony & Gina Eubanks - August 03, 2024 at 10:18 PM

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Tony & Gina Eubanks - August 03, 2024 at 10:18 PM

KR

“ Prayers for the family, he was always kind and soft spoken and I know he will be missed. He cared about his community and the folks of Perry County.

kathy rankin - August 03, 2024 at 09:19 PM

TK

“ Rayford was a great man. I loved and respected him so very much. My blessings to his good family.

Ted Knight - August 03, 2024 at 06:32 PM

EM

“ Great words that describe your dad. He was a great man and did our taxes many years.he will be missed

Ellen Magie - August 03, 2024 at 06:11 PM

MJ

“ Marilyn and Michael Johnson purchased the Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White for the family of Rayford Windle.



Marilyn and Michael Johnson - August 03, 2024 at 02:32 PM

JD

“ Rayford and I grew up together in the Perryville church of Christ. He was my friend. Don and I send our love, hugs and prayer to his family and friends

Jayne Dooley - August 03, 2024 at 02:01 PM

JD

“ Rayford and I grew up together in the Perryville church of Christ. He was my friend and I will truly miss him. Don and I send our love, hugs and prayers for his family and many friends.

Jayne K. Dooley - August 03, 2024 at 01:54 PM