



## Douglas Merrill Short

June 11, 1934 - December 12, 2014

Douglas Merrill Short, aged 80, passed away Friday, December 12. He was born and raised in Lineville, Alabama but resided in Birmingham and McCalla for his adult life. He was a man with a soft heart, a gentle nature but was always full of wit and humor. He always made everyone laugh, even in the saddest of times.

He served in the US Army and attended UAB. He was a printer by trade. He was a star athlete in high school and loved playing sports, camping, water skiing and working in his garden. He loved his pet cats and dogs. He coached, along with his daughter, his granddaughter's basketball team at St. Aloysius Catholic School. Most of all, he loved being with his wife, children and grandchildren.

He is predeceased by his parents, Hoyt Short and Beulah Sprayberry Short and his brothers, Lynn, Mayward, Terrill, Johnny Short and his sister, Betty Jean Worthy.

He leaves behind his beloved wife of 63 years, Betty Frye Short, daughters, Connie Short, (Susan Smith), Pat Lambert, (Mike) and Sandy Miranda, (Steve), grandchildren Brooke Alexander, (Jody), Clay Bozeman, Alex Miranda, and Christopher Miranda, and great grandchildren Hunter and Kylie Alexander.

He will be greatly missed by everyone who knew him but leaves behind a legacy of love, generosity and laughter.

Visitaitaion will be Monday, December 15th at McCalla Memorial Funeral

Home, from 6pm to 8pm with a graveside service at Highland Memorial Gardens Tuesday, December 16th at 11am.

# Cemetery Details

## Highland Memorial Gardens

3115 18th Avenue North  
Bessemer, AL 35020

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 15. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

McCalla Memorial Funeral Home  
4780 Letson Farms Parkway  
P.O. Box 629  
McCalla, AL 35111  
(205) 477-4888  
info@mccallamemorialfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.mccallamemorialfuneralhome.com>

## Graveside Service

DEC 16. 11:00 AM (CT)

Highland Memorial Gardens  
3115 18th Avenue  
Bessemer, AL 35020

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Sheila Freeman and Terri Farley purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Douglas Merrill Short.*



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**Sheila Freeman and Terri Farley** - December 14, 2014 at 12:19 PM