



## Kenneth Pate

February 21, 1945 - June 19, 2024

Mr. Kenneth Calvin Pate, of McCalla, Alabama, went to be with the Lord on June 19th, 2024. He is preceded in death by Walter Moore Pate (father), Emma Mack Pate (mother), Justin Shawn Pate (grandson), Benny Mack Pate (brother), Carrie Sue Hand (sister), James Edward Johnson (brother), Odessa Froman (sister). He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Brenda Kay (Barnett) Pate. His four children, Kenneth Shane Pate (Tamera), Kathy Rena McKay (Greg), Calvin Neal Pate (Priscilla), and Brenda Victoria Johns (Phillip) were his motivation for many of his pastimes. He boasted, to all would listen, about his grandchildren. They are, Sara Elizabeth Wheat, Andrew Tyler Posten, Corey Shane Pate, Matthew Neal Pate, Jonothon Calvin Pate, and Kaitlin Brooke Vaughn. Great grandchildren include, Kiowa Diane Pate, Weston Alexander Vaughn, Emma Rae Pate, Charlotte Rose Wheat and Everett James Posten.

Mr. Pate proudly served his country in the United States Army. He was a long standing member of Greenpond Church of God of Prophecy. He served as a deacon and played a role in establishing the Camp Boothe camping program for youth. His work life was centered around the coal mining industry in Walker County. He was employed with Drummond Coal, Inc. until his retirement in 2006. Mr. Pate was known to his coworkers as "Porkchop". He was personally involved with Drummond Coal in a philanthropic role, raising money to provide school supplies for under privileged children in Walker County. While being born and raised in Cordova, Alabama, he spent his later years living in

McCalla, Alabama nearer the children and grandchildren.

Our family would like to extend our gratitude to the staff of Southeastern Hospice and Plantation Manor for the exceptional care our father received.

We will never forget the wonderful things you did to make our fathers last days easier.

# Cemetery Details

## Hepzibah Church Cemetery

Mc Calla, AL 35111

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **22**. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

McCalla Memorial Funeral Home  
4780 Letson Farms Parkway  
P.O. Box 629  
McCalla, AL 35111  
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## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall

KS

“ I will always remember when Uncle Calvin came to live with us in California. He was so impressed with how we had to drive over the big bridges to take my dad to work every day. I think he would have loved to have stayed with us forever but Grandma Pate said he needed to come home. We had a lot of fun with him. I will miss his phone calls. Rest in Peace Uncle Calvin. I love you.



Kathy Schnell - June 23, 2024 at 02:11 AM

RA

Calvin pate was my uncle Robert hand wife Carrie Sue pate hand brother

Rosie Allen - May 12, 2025 at 09:44 AM



“ 79 files added to the album Life Tributes



McCalla Memorial Funeral Home - Traditions - June 21, 2024 at 03:52 PM

SP

“ Southern Lab Partners purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Kenneth Pate.



Southern Lab Partners - June 21, 2024 at 10:26 AM

PB

“ I worked with Porkchop in the mine for many years. He was my friend and most of all a good man which is so rare these days. He's with God now. Paul Burson

Paul Burson - June 20, 2024 at 11:27 PM

KP

Thank you, Mr. Burson. I know daddy would have loved to have seen his work buddies when he was able. He spoke of his coal mining friends often and shared a genuine respect for you all.

Kathy Pate-McKay - June 21, 2024 at 12:07 AM

JF

“ John Dallas and all the family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kenneth Pate.

John Dallas and all the family - June 20, 2024 at 09:28 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Kenneth Pate.



June 20, 2024 at 09:28 PM

VP

“ Love and prayers to the family. Many sweet memories from days gone by and great expectations of that grand reunion in the sky🕊️. May the sunshine of Gods love and the warmth of His embrace bring comfort during this time of your great loss. You are in my prayers



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**Virginia (Sis) Parr** - June 20, 2024 at 09:26 PM