



Robert Andrew Ryan

March 17, 1981 - July 22, 2024

Robert “Andy” Ryan (Big Sue) was born March 17, 1981, three minutes after his twin sister Katie. He graduated from McAdory High School and worked for Jefferson County for 23 years in different capacities, but most recently as Public Works Supervisor for district 4. Andy took pride in his job and worked hard to keep his area looking like it was his own personal property. Andy served his community starting at a very young age, and for many years, by volunteering with the Eastern Valley Fire Department where he ended his duty ranked as Captain.

Andy was a caring man that never met a stranger. He would continue to talk to you until he found a common ground that he could connect with you on. He helped any soul that had a need and gave freely his time to others. The most charming and captivating trait was his magnetic sense of humor that could leave any room laughing and continued this trademark up until his final hours here on earth.

He was an avid hunter and would often spend many hard-working hours at the club planting fields, scouting areas to hunt, and enjoying time with his dear friends and family. Andy found his niche when he started coaching softball with his partner, Justin. Andy had a unique way of critiquing, guiding, and teaching the girls while still making them feel loved, confident...and of course laughing. Once you played for Coach Andy, he adopted you as his and would coach and root for you no matter which team you were on going forward. He truly loved all his girls and looked forward to coaching them for many more

seasons.

At home Andy was a loving son, brother, husband and father that worked hard to provide the best for his family. He was a Godly man that showed Faith Over Fear throughout his battle with cancer, and through his strength and testimony he touched and changed the lives of so many. He was a born again Christian and member of the Baptist Church at McAdory. He will be forever missed.

He is survived by his wife Jennifer, daughters Madelyn and Harper, mother Janet Ryan, sisters Amanda Johnson (Dale), Katie Ryan (Brooks), and a host of nieces nephews.

He is preceded in death by his father, Rob Ryan; his granny and granddaddy, Bob and Jackie Ryan; and his mamaw and papaw, Albert and Mary Frances Trucks.

Family will receive visitors at the Baptist Church at McAdory on Friday 7/26/2024 from 9am-11am with graveside services following at Cedar Hill Cemetery at 1130. Brother Bill McCall officiating.

In lieu of flowers please consider donations to the McCalla Youth Athletics Association @ mccallayouthathletics.com.

Cemetery Details

Cedar Hill Cemetery

650 Circle Heights Circle
Bessemer, AL 35020

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 26. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

The Baptist Church at McAdory
4957 Eastern Valley Road
Mc Calla, AL 35211
<http://www.bcmcadory.org>

Graveside Service

JUL 26. 11:30 AM (CT)

Cedar Hill Cemetery
650 Circle Heights Circle
Bessemer, AL 35020

Tribute Wall

BN

“ As Me & Jeff leave the hunting club today it will never be the same without Andy being there! He was a light on a cloudy day and someone I always looked forward to seeing. Just to know him was to love him and a lot of people can't say that! We will always miss Andy but in true Andy spirit we must go on and live life to the fullest because that's what he would have wanted us to do!
Love,
Brandi

Brandi Newman - September 29, 2024 at 02:34 PM

SJ

“ He was one of the kindness young men I have ever met...His grandmother Jackie Ryan was my neighbor , he was so good to her ..Jennifer , Janet , Katie and Amanda my heart is with y'all.💕🙏

sissy jordan - July 25, 2024 at 04:44 PM

DW

“ Diane W. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Robert Andrew Ryan.



Diane W. - July 25, 2024 at 12:13 PM

RH

“ RHONDA HOCKERSMITH lit a candle in memory of Robert Andrew Ryan



RHONDA HOCKERSMITH - July 25, 2024 at 10:40 AM

GP

“ GM and Sarah Patton purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Robert Andrew Ryan.



GM and Sarah Patton - July 24, 2024 at 10:02 PM

GP

“ GM and Sarah Patton planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Robert Andrew Ryan.

GM and Sarah Patton - July 24, 2024 at 10:02 PM

MA

“ Andy was a wonderful person! He always treated everyone like an old friend. Just an all around nice guy. I am glad me and my family knew him.

Madden - July 24, 2024 at 08:42 PM

DC

“ I am so sorry to see this. Praying for comfort and peace for his family💜🙏. Debby Cook.

Debby Cook - July 24, 2024 at 05:34 PM

LC

“ *Linda Chapman lit a candle in memory of
Robert Andrew Ryan*



Linda Chapman - July 24, 2024 at 12:29 PM