



## Billy Ray Cross

March 4, 1938 - September 21, 2017

North Augusta, SC—Billy Ray Cross passed away on September 21,, 2017, surrounded in love by his family and friends. Funeral Services will be held Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock from Sweetwater Baptist Church. Dr. Paul W. Noe officiating. Interment will follow in the Church Cemetery.

He was born in Treutlen County, Georgia, on March 4,, 1938. After serving in the army in Korea, Billy moved to the Augusta area and began a career in the HVAC business, where he worked for over 55 years. Billy was a Christian and loved his family, friends, customers and church. He loved spending time and working at his church, Sweetwater Baptist, but he especially loved spending time with his grandchildren and great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, Jack and Carrie Cross, and his sister, Louise Fowler.

He is survived by his wife Gladys, who adored him, his children Ray (Melanie) Cross of Tifton, Georgia, Allen (Jamie) Cross of North Augusta, Gary (Lilia) Catlett of Orange Park, Florida, and Dawn Catlett of North Augusta, SC; his grandchildren, Conner Cross, Bryce Cross, Brooks Cross, Michael Cross, Brandon (Beth) Dicks, Shelby Dicks, and Tony Catlett; great grandchildren Carmen Dicks, Serena Dicks, and Robert Dicks. He is also survived by sisters Betty Jean Dunn of Augusta, Jacqueline Dees of Warner Robins, Gloria (Herman) Oliver of Social Circle, Sandra (Foster) Warnock of Covington, and Carolyn (Gary) Smith of Soperton; brothers Frank (Betty) Cross of Warner

Robins and Darby (Joy) Cross of Americus; and many nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

Pallbearers will be members of his Sunday School Class, better known as the "Misfits."

The family will receive friends at the funeral home this Saturday evening from 5 until 7.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Sweetwater Baptist Church Building Fund, 198 Sweetwater Road, North Augusta, SC 29860.

Posey Funeral Directors of North Augusta in charge of arrangements (803.278.1181). Visit the registry at [www.PoseyCares.com](http://www.PoseyCares.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Sweetwater Baptist Church Cemetery

198 Sweetwater Road  
North Augusta, SC

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **23.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Posey Funeral Directors  
1307 Georgia Avenue  
North Augusta, SC

## Service

SEP **24.** 3:00 PM (ET)

Sweetwater Baptist Church  
198 Sweetwater Road  
North Augusta, SC

# Tribute Wall



“ *Posey Funeral Directors created a Tribute Video in memory of Billy Ray Cross*



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**Posey Funeral Directors** - September 23, 2017 at 03:20 PM



“ *Billy Ray Cross*

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October 06, 2023 at 06:29 AM



“ *Billy Ray Cross*

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September 24, 2022 at 12:12 PM



“ *What a terrific man and father, he was truly the epitome of how everyone should live.*

*The Yaun Family  
Graniteville, SC*

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**Lloyd Yaun** - October 01, 2017 at 09:43 AM

RS

“ *Billy, was a great friend and mentor, always willing to help. You will be greatly missed by our family.*

*Russell Scott*

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**Russell Scott** - September 26, 2017 at 11:25 AM

KE

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.*

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**Kenneth, Estelle, Mark, Michelle & Steve Ellis** - September 26, 2017 at 09:03 AM

CM

“ *Clara Massey lit a candle in memory of Billy Ray Cross*



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**Clara Massey** - September 25, 2017 at 10:49 PM

DH

“ *Wanted to offer my Thoughts & Prayers to the Cross family. I did not know Mr. Cross but wish that I had. He and I were born several miles apart in Truetlen (Soperton) County Ga. I came along about 3 yrs. later in 1941. Maybe we attended the same school at the time. Some of my family, The Phillips were members of Boiling Springs Baptist Church. I have also lived in North Augusta since 1964. Again God's blessings on the Cross Family..*



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**Donovan Hooks** - September 24, 2017 at 09:08 AM

JW

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Wish I could be there but the ole lady as problems. I love each and everyone of you. You seem more like brothers and sisters than you do cousins. May the sweet and loving memories of Billy Ray help ease the hurt you are now feeling. We will all miss him but some day we will meet again. God Bless.*

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**Jean Whitesides** - September 23, 2017 at 10:01 PM

BC

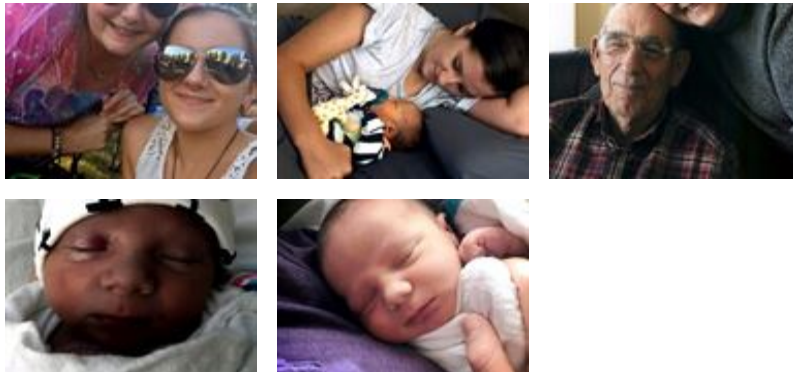
“ *Mrs Carolyn,  
Want you to know we are praying for you and everyone else in your family. We Love You. May God comfort all of you during this trial.*

*Your Church Family,  
Boiling Springs Baptist Church  
Soperton, Georgia*

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**Boiling Springs Baptist Church** - September 23, 2017 at 06:08 PM



“ *160 files added to the album LifeTributes*



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**Posey Funeral Directors** - September 23, 2017 at 01:33 PM



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Posey Funeral Directors - September 23, 2017 at 12:40 PM

RB

“ Allen, our prayers and thoughts are with you and your family.

Robert Brown

Robert Brown - September 23, 2017 at 11:56 AM



“ There's nothing more special than family! Our thoughts and prayers continue to be with Allen, Ray & the rest of the family & friends during this time of loss. Love in Christ & God's blessings. Mark & family (Melanie Dunn-Hauser, Jenna, Matthew)

<http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/augustachronicle/obituary.aspx?n=billy-ray-cross&pid=186738818>

Mark Mba - September 23, 2017 at 10:26 AM

JS

“ My sincere condolences to the family and friends.Rev 21:4

jstokes - September 23, 2017 at 06:36 AM

TF

“ The Pearson Family purchased the Rose Tribute for the family of Billy Ray Cross.



The Pearson Family - September 22, 2017 at 10:20 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Billy Ray Cross.* ”



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September 22, 2017 at 09:02 PM