



Orland Devoyne Ferguson

June 2, 1940 - March 18, 2025

Orland Devoyne Ferguson, known to everyone as “Sonny,” 84, passed away peacefully on March 18, 2025, at his home at West Shores Assisted Living in Hot Springs, AR.

He is preceded in death by his father, Loyd Arlie Ferguson, and his mother, Lubie Gertrude “Bobbie” (Andrews) Fleeman, and by his wife, Zelda Rogers Ferguson.

Sonny is survived by his brother, Mickey Wayne Ferguson of Atlanta, Georgia; two sons, Timothy Scott Ferguson of Evans, CO, and David Mitchell Ferguson of Newnan, Georgia; by two daughters, Frankie Lou Taylor of Hot Springs and Joey Suzanna Bunch of Zachary, LA, and by his former wife and friend, Betty White Ferguson and numerous grandchildren & great grandchildren. He also leaves behind a host of friends scattered around the world.

Sonny was born at Poyen, AR, and graduated from Fairview High School in 1957. He was employed briefly at the Camden Paper Mill prior to moving to New Orleans, where he was employed by Dresser Industries, Guiberson division. He designed numerous oilfield products and became Area Manager for the Southeast Asia Region. He moved with his family to Australia, Singapore, Indonesia, Thailand, and Egypt and traveled to all continents with his work. He retired from Schlumberger.

In his younger years Sonny enjoyed golfing and playing softball. More recently he enjoyed watching western movies and football, playing dominos with friends, and caring for the cats at West Shores.

The memorial service is scheduled for April 12, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. at Hot Springs Funeral Home.

Due to Sonny's love for his cats, the family requests that, in lieu of flowers, contributions be sent to Guardian Angels Cat Rescue and Adoption Shelter, attention Frankie, at 907 Hobson Ave., Hot Springs, AR 71913, phone 501-623-3484.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

APR **12**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Hot Springs Funeral Home
1017 Central Avenue
Hot Springs, AR 71901
(501) 623-8820
hotspringsfh@sbcglobal.net
<https://hotspringsfh.com/>

Tribute Wall

KM

“ Met Sonny and Betty in Balikpapan Indonesia. They became wonderful friends. Sonny was kind, funny and just an over all good guy. We will miss him. May in rest in peace. Kay and Andy Miller

kay miller - March 27, 2025 at 02:52 PM

FT

He'll be missed for sure.

Frankie Taylor - March 27, 2025 at 06:34 PM

BF

What fun we all had together! Betty

Betty Ferguson - April 14, 2025 at 09:22 PM

GT

“ Dearest Frankie and family, my heart is burdened for your loss. I'm so sorry. Even though I never “officially” met Sonny, I felt like I knew him from the many stories you would tell me, Frankie. It's a profound loss and I'm thinking of you all and praying for you daily, sweet friend. Love you much.

Ginger Thurston - March 27, 2025 at 11:25 AM

FT

Thank you, Ginger. I love you.

Frankie Taylor - March 27, 2025 at 06:29 PM

GW

Sonny's Family,

Sonny was one of the four men at my West Shores Dining Hall table. Through the last several years I've spent many pleasant hours there in conversation with him about foreign cuisine and family favorite dishes, politics, geography, man-talk, etc. Quite apparently, he loved his children and grandchildren. He had a positive personality; our politics were much the same, so we could happily "cuss" the other side. Two of us seldom go to the Garden Patio here, but one of us was fairly regular there and Sonny helped him become a cat lover also. Sonny got great satisfaction from feeding, naming, and watching his cats. I, and the other two, miss him and I know all of you do. You have my sincerest condolences. My physical situation prevents me from attending his memorial.

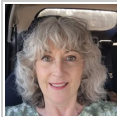
Gil Wootten

Gil Wootten - April 04, 2025 at 04:52 PM

BF

Thank you, Gil. He could be a ton of fun and never ran out of stories to tell. Betty Ferguson

Betty Ferguson - April 14, 2025 at 09:21 PM



Thank you, Gil. I know he enjoyed your friendship.

Franki Ferguson Taylor - April 15, 2025 at 11:44 PM