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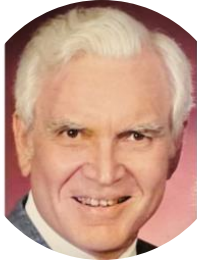
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Pervis Jefferson Ballew went to be with the Lord on Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at the age of 90.

He was born to Willie Pervis and Ruth Lowry Ballew on August 4, 1932 in Lexa, Arkansas. He

was predeceased by his wife of 57 years, Mary Nell Read Ballew, whom he met on a blind date

in 1956. He is survived by his two sons, Jeff and wife, Jennifer, and Read and wife, Trish, and

four grandchildren, Read, Christie, Will and Georgia. He obtained his B.S. from the University

of Arkansas at Monticello and was a Certified Public Accountant. He became a life-long

resident of the Memphis area and had a 35 year career in management with the Buckeye

Cellulose Corporation, a subsidiary of The Proctor & Gamble Company. Upon his retirement,

Pervis engaged in a private tax and accounting practice that spanned an additional 25 years. He

was active in the community and his church, serving in leadership positions with the AICPA, the

NAA (now the Institute of Management Accountants), the TSCPA, the Tennessee State Board of

Accounting, and Grimes Memorial United Methodist Church, where he and his wife Mary Nell

were active for more than 45 years. Pervis was a member of the Scottish Rite Freemasons, the



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Memphis Chapter of the Optimist Club, and the Chickasaw Council of the Boy Scouts of America. He was a loving and devoted husband, father and grandfather, and was active in his sons' childhood participation in scouting, sports and camping. He was exceptionally generous with his time, talents and resources in support of his family, his friends, his church, and those he knew were in need. His children and grandchildren further remember him as kind, funny and invested in their lives and development from childhood into their present stages in life. The visitation will held at Memorial Park Funeral Home and Cemetery, 5668 Poplar Ave., Memphis TN from 10:00 a.m, Friday, April 21, 2023 until the service time at 11:00 a.m. Interment will be in Memorial Park Cemetery.

Memorials may be sent to:
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In Memory of Pervis J Ballew

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Scottish Rite for Children
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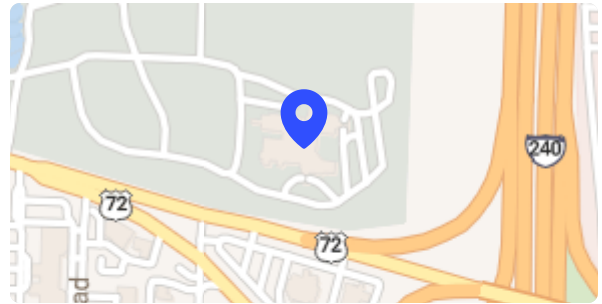
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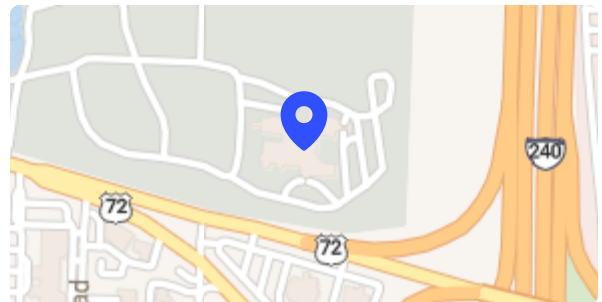
Visitation

- 📅 **Friday, April 21, 2023**
- 🕒 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM CT
- 📍 **Memorial Park Funeral Home & Cemetery**
5668 Poplar Ave, Memphis TN 38119



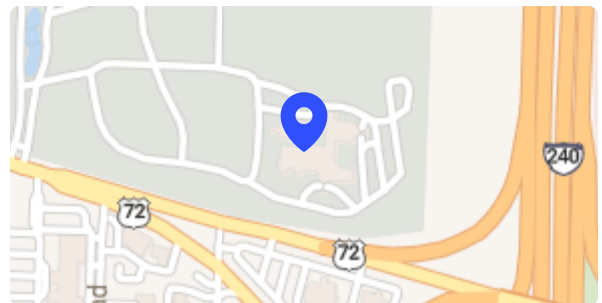
Funeral Service

- 📅 **Friday, April 21, 2023**
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Cemetery Details

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Tribute Wall

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Anonymous sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Ballew family.

April 20 at 4:39 AM



Anonymous sent a Sweet Tenderness to the Ballew family.

April 19 at 10:15 AM



Susan Read Reeves posted:

Aunt Mary Nell and Uncle Pervis were very special people. Devoted to each other always. They had Positive outlooks on life and always kept up with our families as we were the children of her late brother Charles Read. They were more interested in others than themselves.. unselfish to a fault! They will be missed. Love to you all! Cousins Susan, Ellen and Margaret

April 17 at 3:14 PM



David Al-Chokhachi August 29 at 2:58 PM

Pervis was one of the finest men I ever knew. I loved and had great respect for him. His wife Ms. Mary Nell was such a kind and gentle person. He changed the lives of my family and will be greatly missed. He was a friend when my life was at its toughest times. As hard as it is to find out he is gone, I am joyful that he is reunited with his sweet wife. God bless you my fellow 32nd degree Scottish Rite brother Mason. I love you Pervis, David Al- Chokhachi



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Pervis by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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