



Mr. Robert "Bobby" Lee Oakley

February 18, 1935 - February 22, 2021

This obituary is posted as a courtesy to local family and friends.

Middendorf, SC

Mr. Robert "Bobby" Lee Oakley, age 86, entered into rest on Monday, February 22, 2021. Graveside services will be 3:00 PM Thursday at Chatham Hill Memorial Gardens by Pastor Don Rhyne and Pastor Gary Compton. The family will greet friends following the service at the cemetery. The family will also hold a celebration of life gathering at a later date.

All in attendance are asked to practice social distancing and follow covid-19 precautions.

Mr. Oakley was born February 18, 1935 in Cheraw, SC a son of the late Arthur and Gladys Davidson Oakley. Bobby was a proud Army veteran who served in the Korean War and was a member of the Chesterfield American Legion Post 74. He was a barber at Stewart's Barber Shop in Hartsville, SC for many years. He then worked as a longtime employee of PPM. He would later retire from H.B. Robinson unit 1 at the age of 77. Bobby loved to work in his garden where he grew beautiful flowers, fruits, and vegetables. Known for his beautiful gardens, he enjoyed giving away the fruits and vegetables he had grown with pride and joy. Whether he was driving his Kubota tractor or driving

his golf cart around his beloved “plantation”, he would quickly stop to sit around and chat with his many friends that would stop by to say hey. Bobby’s greatest love was his family, whom he cherished and loved. Even with the great amount of love he had for everyone in his family, his grandson Brandon Lee was his entire world.

In addition to his parents, Mr. Oakley was also preceded in death by his brothers; David Oakley, and John Oakley; sisters, Jewel Freeman, Peggy Lyon, Bernice Rivers, Dorothy Oakley.

Survivors include his loving wife of 55 years Virginia Johnson Oakley of the home; daughter, Kathy Walters and her husband Wes Walters, whom Bobby loved like a son, of Middendorf, SC; grandson, Brandon Walters of Middendorf, SC; numerous nieces and nephews; special cousins, Helen Blanton of Society Hill, SC, Henry B. Moree of Sellers, SC; and his beloved feline companion, Bow.

The family would also like to express a big thank you to all of Bobby’s buddies and Middendorf Catoe brothers. He held a special place in his heart for each and every one of them.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the charity of one’s choice.

Miller-Rivers-Caulder Funeral Home (www.mrcfuneralhome.com) of Chesterfield, SC is serving the Oakley family.

To view Mr. Oakley’s tribute video please visit: <https://www.mrcfuneralhome.com/obituary/RobertBobbyLee-Oakley>

Tribute Wall

PS

“ *Patsy Ann Sowell*



Patsy Ann Sowell - February 28, 2021 at 04:36 PM



“ *Sorry to hear of this loss
God bless the Oakley family!*

Dianne Hutchinson - February 27, 2021 at 08:01 PM

CM

“ *Charles Mathews lit a candle in memory of
Mr. Robert "Bobby" Lee Oakley*



Charles Mathews - February 26, 2021 at 09:31 AM

MS

“ *Melanie Skipper lit a candle in memory of Mr.
Robert "Bobby" Lee Oakley*



Melanie Skipper - February 25, 2021 at 08:57 PM

GS

“ Gail Swann lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert "Bobby" Lee Oakley



Gail Swann - February 25, 2021 at 08:57 PM

DW

“ DeWayne Walters lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert "Bobby" Lee Oakley



DeWayne Walters - February 25, 2021 at 06:57 PM

LH

“ Larry Huggins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert "Bobby" Lee Oakley



Larry Huggins - February 25, 2021 at 03:59 PM

JG

“ So sorry for your loss. Mr. Bobby was a sweet caring and giving man. Always bring us vegetable or tell us to come to his garden and get them. Always had a smile on his face. We will miss him. Prayers for the family and special prayers for Ms. Jenny

Johnny and Rhonda Ghoens - February 25, 2021 at 09:51 AM

KB

“ *Mr. O was one of the kindest and most generous man that I had the pleasure of getting to know. My deepest and sincerest condolences to Mrs. O, daughter Kathy, his son-in-law Wes and grandson Brandon. May you all find comfort in the lifetime of memories you shared and find peace in knowing that Mr. O will always be with you in spirit.* ”



Karen Blaha - February 25, 2021 at 09:36 AM

RG

“ *Rev. & Mrs. Marvin Griggs lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert "Bobby" Lee Oakley* ”



Rev. & Mrs. Marvin Griggs - February 25, 2021 at 03:24 AM

EW

“ *I loved my Uncle Bobby very much, he was a great man and one of my dad's long time friends. He loved working in his garden and was very proud of it. He was truly a kind man and will be missed dearly. My heart is broken and goes out to his daughter, Wes and Brandon. I love y'all and will be praying for y'all.* ”



Elaina Wilks - February 25, 2021 at 01:56 AM



“ *Met Bobby when I worked at HBR Sorry to hear of his passing.*



David Jordan - February 25, 2021 at 01:10 AM



“ *Wes and Kathy I'm so sorry to hear about Mr Oakley. I remember him from Stewart Barber shop when I was growing up. Prayers for you and your family*



Grady L O'Neal - February 24, 2021 at 09:18 PM



“ *Sheila A lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert "Bobby" Lee Oakley*



Sheila A - February 24, 2021 at 07:12 PM

AT

“ I worked for a number of years with Bobby at HBR Plant. I very much enjoyed working with him and found him to be dedicated to his job. More importantly, I remember Bobby as a kind and caring friend.

Annette and I offer our heartfelt condolences to the family. Bobby made a difference in this world.

Winston and Annette Traylor
Asheville, NC

Annette Traylor - February 24, 2021 at 06:55 PM

BF

“ Billy Wayne Freeman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert "Bobby" Lee Oakley



Billy Wayne Freeman - February 24, 2021 at 06:22 PM

WJ

“ Woody And Irene Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert "Bobby" Lee Oakley



Woody and Irene Johnson - February 24, 2021 at 03:47 PM

HM

“ Harold and Diann Murphy lit a candle in remembrance of Mr. Oakley.

Harold and Diann Murphy - February 24, 2021 at 03:33 PM

BT

“ Betty Huggins Turner lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert "Bobby" Lee Oakley



Betty Huggins Turner - February 24, 2021 at 01:50 PM

BT

So sorry for your loss. Worked at Robinson back in the early 1990's. Bobby was a very good man. Loved by all that knew him. Helped you with your needs if he could. Know he will be missed. Prayers for his family in the hard days ahead.

Betty Huggins Turner - February 24, 2021 at 01:56 PM

BW

“ Mr. Bobby was and is a very good man, he would come and cut my Daddy's hair when he was so sick. Every time I saw him he would have a big smile on his face. Prayers sent.
Keith & Barbie Wilks

Barbie Wilks - February 24, 2021 at 11:33 AM

BW

“ Barbie Wilks lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert "Bobby" Lee Oakley



Barbie Wilks - February 24, 2021 at 11:30 AM

WY

“ *Wilma Gainey Yarborough lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert "Bobby" Lee Oakley*



Wilma Gainey Yarborough - February 24, 2021 at 11:06 AM

JC

“ *I am so sadden to hear of Bobby's passing. I have know Bobby all of my life. He always had a smile and a kind word. He was a friend for life. My husband got to know him working at Robinson Power Plant. He always enjoyed talking with Bobby. Rest in Peace my Friend. Prayers for his family.*

Jeri and Jim Cox - February 24, 2021 at 08:30 AM

RG

“ *I worked with Bobby for many years at HBR. He was always willing to help out with anything he could. He was such a nice person - and a friend to all! I am praying for all of his family.*

Renee Gainey - February 24, 2021 at 08:23 AM

HG

“ *Harden Gainey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert "Bobby" Lee Oakley*



Harden Gainey - February 24, 2021 at 07:49 AM

TG

“ Tony Grant lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert "Bobby" Lee Oakley



Tony Grant - February 24, 2021 at 07:26 AM

JG

“ Prayers for the family. We will certainly miss him.

Jeff Galloway - February 24, 2021 at 07:12 AM

JG

“ Jeff Galloway lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert "Bobby" Lee Oakley



Jeff Galloway - February 24, 2021 at 07:11 AM

DM

“ Doug And Scarlett Mason lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert "Bobby" Lee Oakley



Doug and Scarlett Mason - February 24, 2021 at 06:58 AM

RJ

“ Randy Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert "Bobby" Lee Oakley



Randy Johnson - February 24, 2021 at 06:53 AM

BD

“ I am sorry for the loss of your Dad praying for you and family



Betty Davis - February 23, 2021 at 11:20 PM

JW

“ Johnny Walters lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert "Bobby" Lee Oakley



Johnny Walters - February 23, 2021 at 11:15 PM

LM

“ Lynn Millsaps lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert "Bobby" Lee Oakley



Lynn millsaps - February 23, 2021 at 10:12 PM