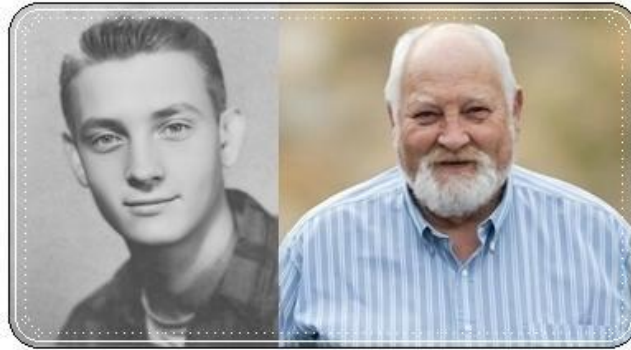


Malachi Virgil Moss, class of 1962 dies

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Malachi Virgil Moss –Cohn High School, class of 1962

Malachi Virgil Moss was born March 11, 1944, to the late Malachi and Mattie Lou Moss.

Malachi married the love of his life, Barbara Runnels Moss, and together they built a life and a family that meant everything to him. Barbara passed away on June 10, 1996, but the love they shared never left him.

Malachi was a hardworking man who believed in providing for and taking care of the people he loved. He dedicated many years of his life to the Nashville Fire Department, doing a job he truly loved. After a long career of serving others, he hung up his helmet and turnout gear in 2004.

But of all the titles he carried throughout his life, one of the greatest was simply Papa.

He was an amazing Papa who loved his grandchildren and great-grandchildren dearly. His family was his greatest legacy, and the love he gave them will continue through generations.

Malachi was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Barbara Runnels Moss; his oldest daughter, Sheila Gale Milliken; and his grandson and Papa's baby boy, Austin Wayne Dill.

He is survived by his son, Darrin Moss, and his daughter, Ginny (Terry) Dill.

He also leaves behind his beloved grandchildren: Stacey Milliken (Micheal), Kyle Milliken (Clara), Jessica Nunnery (Trevin), Amanda Bledsoe (Ryder), and Dylan Moss (Andrea); and his great-grandchildren, Harlee and Mylee Young; Channing, Stella, Hudson, and Lainey Nunnery; Jaxson and Shaley Bledsoe; and Canaan and Chandler Moss.

For those who loved Malachi, saying goodbye is incredibly hard. But there is comfort in knowing what was waiting for him on the other side.

After 30 years apart, his bride was waiting for him.

His daughter, Sheila, was waiting for her Daddy.

And his grandson, Austin—his Bubba—was waiting for his Papa.

Malachi didn't enter Heaven's gates alone.

He was welcomed home by some of the people he had missed and loved the most.

The firefighter finally answered his last call, hung up his helmet one final time, and went Home.

A Celebration of Life honoring Malachi Virgil Moss will be at 2:00 PM on Sunday, September 20th, 2026 at Generation Church with Pastor Brandon Petty officiating.