



## Roy L. Grimsley

November 20, 1929 - March 23, 2021

Roy Grimsley, 91, of Springdale passed away on March 23, 2021. He was born on November 20, 1929, in Springdale to Elbert and Carrie Grimsley.

Growing up on a farm during the Great Depression, he learned the benefits of hard work. In high school he bought a Jersey heifer and sold milk from his dairy cows to fund his college. Years afterwards, he accumulated land for his own farm...raising chickens, cows and grapes.

Roy studied Animal Science at the University of Arkansas, majoring in poultry. He was one of the first employees of Tyson Foods, starting in September of 1952, and spent most of his career in Grower Relations. After 42 years, he retired in 1994. During his time at Tyson, Roy also served on the Board of Directors for J.B. Hunt Company for 25 years.

Roy was a pillar of Spring Creek Missionary Baptist Church. At the age of 13, he accepted Christ as his Savior and remained a member of Spring Creek for over 77 years, serving as a deacon, Bible study teacher, clerk and song leader. He was also active in Gideons International for over 25 years.

He is preceded in death by his parents; first wife, Katie M. Grimsley; one daughter, Sherri Grimsley, and two brothers, Leonard Grimsley and Joe Grimsley.

Survivors include his wife, Donna Grimsley; one son, Bryan Grimsley and wife Brenda; two daughters, Karen Ward and husband Tommy, and Leah Darling

and husband David; four step children; one sister, Maida Ryker; nine grandchildren, Sean Ward, Carrie Ward, Sarah Reid, Rachel Carpenter, Mitchell Tice, Stewart Tice, Mara George, Alyssa Donley, and Reese Grimsley; five step-grandchildren; six great-grandchildren, and nine step-great grandchildren

Visitation will be Friday, March 26, 2021, from 5 PM to 7 PM at Sisco Funeral Chapel in Springdale.

Services will be Saturday, March 27, 2021, at 10 AM at Sisco Funeral Chapel in Springdale. Jimmy Tollison will be officiating. Interment will be at Spring Creek Cemetery in Springdale. Pallbearers will be Sean Ward, Malcolm Carpenter, Kile Donley, Mitchell Tice, Stewart Tice, and Drew George. Memorial donations to Spring Creek Missionary Baptist Church or Gideons International.

Online condolences can be left at [www.siscofuneral.com](http://www.siscofuneral.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Spring Creek Cemetery

13580 S. Zion Road  
Springdale, AR 72762

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 26. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Sisco Funeral Chapel  
705 West Meadow  
Springdale, AR 72764  
(479) 751-4577  
siscofuneralchapel@gmail.com  
<https://www.siscofuneral.com>

## Funeral Service

MAR 27. 10:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Roy L. Grimsley

January 21, 2023 at 02:29 PM



“ Karen. I am so sorry to hear about your father I was talking with one of my kids this week about all the places I've lived. When we were counting Rogers Circle Dr it made me think about your parents and where you lived. I remembered the empty lot where we played a lot. Don't remind me how long ago that was!! Your parents were always welcoming to me when I would go to your house. I remember them fondly. Tell Tommy hi for me. We need to get the old bunch together sometime. Guess no more high school reunions. Again so sorry for loss

Sue Edmondson Lemoine - March 26, 2021 at 04:16 PM



“ Roy was a loyal, trusted and valuable member of the J. B. Hunt Board of Directors for many years. He was always thoughtful, kind and polite. He was a true gentleman. Our Compant sends our condolences.

Kirk Thompson  
Chairman of the Board  
J. B. Hunt Transport Services, Inc.

Kirk Thompson - March 25, 2021 at 07:25 PM



“ Bro. Roy was such a fine example of a committed Christian steward. I am praying for the family as they walk this pathway.

Keri Southern - March 25, 2021 at 04:26 PM

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“ Rebecca Thompson purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Roy L. Grimsley.



Rebecca Thompson - March 25, 2021 at 04:19 PM

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“ Forest and Terry purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Roy L. Grimsley.



Forest and Terry - March 25, 2021 at 02:57 PM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Roy L. Grimsley.



March 25, 2021 at 11:23 AM

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“ -Rise Physical Therapy purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Roy L. Grimsley.



-Rise Physical Therapy - March 25, 2021 at 11:16 AM