



Mr. Sammy Lee Green

December 18, 1948 - March 20, 2023

Sammy Lee Green was born December 18, 1948, to Clyde and Ruth Green in Shelby County Tennessee. He always said he was his moms favorite but not sure his brothers and sisters would agree. He spent his days as a young boy with his brother. He had plenty of stories about their fun times and how he had never seen a lock he could not pick. He had an epic hitchhike story in which he traveled by thumbing it across Arkansas and into Texas. Most of his stories included card games and pool tables. He was good at both and although he was silly quite often, had a great poker face.

He attended TA Futrall High School in Marianna Arkansas until grade 10 at which point, he decided he no longer needed school. His teacher begged him to return but he was stubborn and refused. He always regretted not finishing high school. He would say "Look at me now, imagine what I could've done if I had stayed in school." He advised his grandkids to never give up in school and apply themselves because the stars are the limits if you take a hold of your chances. He did receive a Maintenance degree after he was married.

Sammy joined the Army April 30, 1968 during the Vietnam War. He willingly joined to follow his big brother Leslie. He served three years and was honorably discharged in April 1971. He received the National Defense Service Medal, Bronze Star, Vietnam Campaign Medal, and Vietnam Service Medal. He had 2 Os bars and ranked Speck 5. He was a proud vet and loved his

country. He taught his children patriotism and what freedom means.

He met Martha Freeman Green in 1971 at Myers Ford Tractor where they both worked. They were married in May of 1972. Together they have two children Sammy Lance Green and Summer Leigh (Green) McCain. They have five grandchildren whom he thought hung the moon. Harrison and Hannah Green children of Lance and Missy Green. Sara, Troy and Victoria McCain children of Mike and Summer McCain.

In 2001, Sammy was struck with a sickness that almost took his life. He was in the VA Hospital in Little Rock when his family was called in because he was given 24 hours to live. He accepted Christ that night and was miraculously healed. His longtime doctor at the VA never let an appointment go by without reminding Sammy that he had been surprised by his healing. He was baptized at Marianna Missionary Baptist Church when he was released from the hospital. He got a second chance and 20 plus years to love his family more. If he wasn't working, he was with his kids and grandkids that day forward.

He is preceded in death by both his parents, Clyde and Ruth Green, his brothers James, Bill and Leslie, and his sisters Thelma and Betty. Sammy is survived by his wife Martha Green and children and grandchildren. His sisters Katie Green and Velma Smith. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews and friends.

Sammy was a giving man and lend money to many of his friends and family. He always said, "Don't lend money away that you expect to get back." He once took his daughter to the store before Christmas, and they picked out toys she would want. They then took the gifts and bags of groceries to a family in need and left them on the doorstep. His daughter was upset for a minute because she thought they were for her, but Sammy reminded her of all she had and that she had never gone without. There is no doubt where Sammy is

today. 20 years ago, he accepted Christ and is now in the arms of Jesus.

Cemetery Details

Arkansas State Veterans Cemetery - Birdeye

3600 AR-163
Cherry Valley, AR 72324

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAR 25. 10:00 AM (CT)

Marianna Missionary Baptist Church
9001 AR-1
Marianna , AR 72360
(870) 740-3899

Tribute Wall

SB

“ Shirley Brown sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Sammy Lee Green



Shirley Brown - March 29, 2023 at 01:18 PM

SB

God Bless this family.
I didn't know him, but reading his Obituary seems to me he's gone home to be with his Creator.
Rest on in Jesus Holy Name.

Shirley Brown - March 29, 2023 at 01:22 PM

TG

“ Praying that the Lord gives you grace and strength during your season of grief. Sure grateful for the Hope that we have in Jesus!
Love in Christ,
Terry B. Garrison

Terry B. Garrison - March 24, 2023 at 04:22 PM

DC

“ Dee Cravalho lit a candle in memory of Mr. Sammy Lee Green



Dee Cravalho - March 24, 2023 at 12:28 PM

DC

“ *Delphia C. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Mr. Sammy Lee Green.*



Delphia C. - March 24, 2023 at 12:25 PM

DZ

“ *So very sorry for your loss, sending love and prayers to the family.*

Dee Cravalho(Deanie Zachery) - March 24, 2023 at 11:44 AM

PH

“ *He was a special gentleman always spoke and smiles.*

pat Hallman - March 24, 2023 at 08:14 AM

MG

“ *Mary George lit a candle in memory of Mr. Sammy Lee Green*



Mary George - March 24, 2023 at 03:27 AM

PC

“ *When my husband died, Sammy announced I needed a motion light under my carport. Well, the next day here comes Sammy with that light! Installed it and would not take any money. He was a good man, he'll be missed by many. Prayers for the family.*

peggy casteel - March 23, 2023 at 02:27 PM

BS

“ *Sammy was the best brother in law a girl could have. There was many time during my divorce life that Sammy would come al the way to Big Flat to fix what needed fixing and would not take a penny of pay. One time my water heater when out Sam and Martha came rolling in and he had gotten an electric heater, I told him my was gas and he said not now he had all the stuff to wire up the new one because he didn't think that the gas was safe enough for me. And again would not take any pay not even for the new heater he had paid for. Love and miss you Bonnie*

Bonnie Sutterfield - March 23, 2023 at 02:05 PM

PT

So sorry for your loss, sending prayers.

Patsy and Jimmy Treat - March 23, 2023 at 04:26 PM

JW

Thoughts & prayers for you all.

Joanne Webb - March 25, 2023 at 07:44 AM