



## Roy Eugene Blades

March 11, 1947 - August 25, 2023

Roy Eugene Blades (76), a devoted husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, cousin, and friend went home to the Lord on August 25th, 2023, at Talbot Hospice surrounded by his loved ones.

Roy was born in Easton, Maryland on March 11th, 1947, to the late Thomas E. and Annabelle Price Blades. Roy joined the United States Army ("Army") in 1964 and served until he was honorably discharged in 1967. He served in the Army Reserve ("Reserve") from 1967 to 1970 and was commissioned as a Sargent, Specialist 2nd Class/ Specialist 5 rank. Roy served as a Rigger/Paratrooper in the 82nd Airborne Division, of the XVIII Airborne Corps.

After Roy's military service was completed, he worked in commercial refrigeration before joining Maryland Occupational Safety and Health (MOSH) as a safety inspector in 1979. Roy retired in 2006 as the Chief of MOSH. Roy then began his second career as a safety consultant continuing his passion to keep people safe, working with his wife Cheryl.

Roy enjoyed spending time with his wife Cheryl traveling, camping, being involved with church programs and spending time with his grandchildren.

Roy was an active member at First Baptist Church, Easton Maryland. Roy loved "guarding" the door of the church and especially the chance to spread

his love and be involved with his church family.

Roy was predeceased by his father Thomas Blades, stepfather Raymond Stewart and his mother Annabelle Stewart, his brothers Thomas Blades, Elwood Blades, Edward Blades, and Hubert Blades.

Roy is survived by his wife of 28 years, Cheryl Blades; and his children: Roy Blades, II., his children: Zachary (William Miller) and Jacob; Monica (Matt) Thompson, their children: Morgan (Mike Lawler), Billy III (Morgan Smith), Bradley, Dylan, Carson and Madison; and Troy (Tara) Blades, their children: Brayden, Brooklynn, Brynna, Ava, and Braxden.

The family will receive guests at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home in Easton, Maryland on Thursday, August 31st from 5 pm until 7 pm. A funeral service will be held at the First Baptist Church located at: 115 Idlewild Ave. Easton on Friday, September 1st at 11 am. Interment with military honors will take place at Woodlawn Memorial Park, Easton, Maryland immediately after.

Those wishing to make a donation in Roy's memory are encouraged to do so to: Talbot Hospice, 586 Cynwood Ave., Easton, MD 21601 or to St. Jude's Children's Hospital, at [www.stjude.org](http://www.stjude.org).

For the full obituary of Roy Blades, and to provide online condolences, please visit: [www.fhnfuneralhome.com](http://www.fhnfuneralhome.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **31**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home  
200 S. Harrison Street  
EASTON  
EASTON, MD 21601

## Funeral Service

SEP **1**. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church of Easton  
155 Idlewild Avenue  
Easton, MD

# Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Roy Eugene Blades*



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**Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home** - August 31, 2023 at 10:40 AM

RW

“ *I am only now hearing of Roy's passing and am deeply saddened. What a joy to know that he lived such a full and rich life! He was a dear mentor of mine during my time at MOSH. My deepest condolences to Cheryl and the family -- may God continue to bless and keep you all.*  
*-- Robin White*

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**Robin White** - March 29, 2025 at 12:21 PM



“ *Roy Eugene Blades*

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October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM

BW

“ *Billy Warner lit a candle in memory of Roy Eugene Blades*



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**Billy Warner** - September 03, 2023 at 08:54 AM

BF

“ I missed the obituary. I'm so sorry to learn of his passing. However, because of being one of his Facebook followers, I know he's with Jesus. Amen! My prayers go out to the family for comfort & care.  
*Beverly Edinger Flater*

Beverly Edinger Flater - September 02, 2023 at 06:53 PM

DM

“ *Dee Rhodes & Chris Metz lit a candle in memory of Roy Eugene Blades*



Dee Rhodes & Chris Metz - September 01, 2023 at 11:20 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Roy Eugene Blades.*



August 31, 2023 at 09:37 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Roy Eugene Blades.

August 31, 2023 at 09:37 AM

DP

“ *Doug Pierson lit a candle in memory of Roy Eugene Blades*



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**Doug Pierson** - August 31, 2023 at 07:50 AM

SW

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**Shelley Blades Warner** - August 31, 2023 at 07:45 AM



“ *32 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home** - August 30, 2023 at 04:57 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Roy Eugene Blades.*



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August 30, 2023 at 01:18 PM

GF

“Graham Denio & KP GA family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Roy Eugene Blades.



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Graham Denio & KP GA family - August 30, 2023 at 10:56 AM

GF

“Graham Denio & KP GA family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Roy Eugene Blades.

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Graham Denio & KP GA family - August 30, 2023 at 10:56 AM

MF

“Midshore Recyclers & The Schultz Family purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Roy Eugene Blades.



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Midshore Recyclers & The Schultz Family - August 30, 2023 at 09:38 AM

MF

“Midshore Recyclers & The Schultz Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Roy Eugene Blades.

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Midshore Recyclers & The Schultz Family - August 30, 2023 at 09:38 AM

TF

“ *The Lawler Family purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Roy Eugene Blades.*



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**The Lawler Family** - August 30, 2023 at 07:46 AM

PF

“ *Phil Foster lit a candle in memory of Roy Eugene Blades*



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**Phil Foster** - August 30, 2023 at 04:16 AM

SS

“ *Sandra Showell lit a candle in memory of Roy Eugene Blades*



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**Sandra Showell** - August 29, 2023 at 09:04 PM

SS

*Such a kind person who lived his life as a shining example to the God he loved  
The world is a better place because of this wonderful person*

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**Sandra Showell** - August 29, 2023 at 09:06 PM

JD

*I first encountered Roy in the late 1980's, I was a safety director for a contractor, Roy was with "MOSH". We had many discussions, Roy was always very professional and willing to help with your accident prevention program. Roy was instrumental in helping to develop the Cooperative Safety Programs between a contractor and the State of Maryland. These programs helped reduce job site accidents and improve relations between the contractors and the State. Roy had a wonderful sense of humor and an infectious laugh. My thoughts and prayers are with his entire family.*

Jack Duley - August 30, 2023 at 02:39 PM

SL

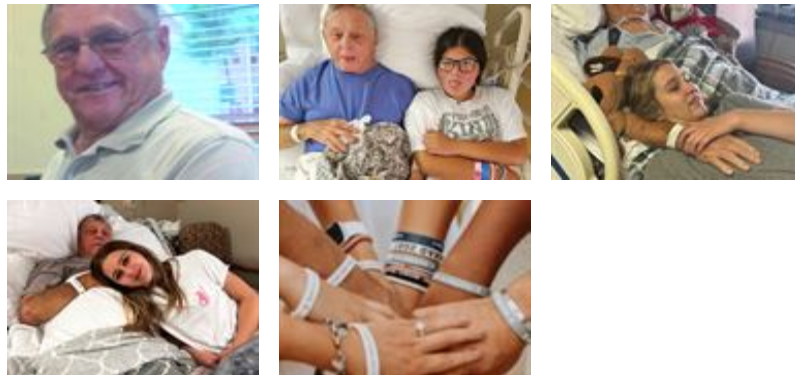
“ RIP Roy you will be missed by many



Sol and Lynda - August 29, 2023 at 07:30 PM



“ 106 files added to the album Life Tributes



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - August 29, 2023 at 03:52 PM

CL

“OMG, just talked to Roy a few weeks ago, sadly not again. What a GREAT man, always had a smile and jolly laugh, and was quick with a Roy-ism. That is an observation, or response to a comment, mixed often with some satirical humor that Roy spun in description. The one he through at me, after a work/evening social event that had run late was; “Craig, I am going back to my room and get some sleep, cause nothing good happens after midnight, You should do the same.” His wisdom with that Roy-ism proved true more than once. Roy was a good leader, and provided me with leadership advice on many occasions. He shared many ideas and thoughts with me from his military playbook developed during his early years in Service to our Country. Roy was an Educator, always wanting to share knowledge and mentor other young professionals in injury prevention. THANK YOU Roy, for your assistance and friendship over the years. My sincerest condolences to Cheryl and the Family.

*Craig Lowry*

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**Craig D. Lowry** - August 29, 2023 at 02:17 PM

MS

“The last of the Blades boys I remember. Everyone was a gentleman and never heard a cross word from either of them. Royal Oak 4H Club and other local events. Always remember you and brothers..  
*Mel Marshall, Sr*  
*Ret'd Easton Police Dept Sgt*  
*now, New Port Richey, Fla*

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**Mel Marshall, Sr** - August 29, 2023 at 09:46 AM

AB

“ *Agnes Blades lit a candle in memory of Roy Eugene Blades*



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**Agnes Blades** - August 28, 2023 at 09:45 PM

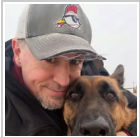
KB

“ *I was so sorry to here of Roy's passing. I worked for him in late 1980' early 1990's and learned a lot from him. He was a great boss, great friend and had a great sense of humor. He will be missed. My condolences to Cheryl, and the rest of his family.*

*Kevin B*

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**Kevin B** - August 28, 2023 at 06:48 PM



“ *I was fortunate to cross paths with Roy about a decade ago when he became our safety consultant. He was always quick to welcome you with a smile and made sure we were all doing what we needed to do to make it home safely each day. We all learned so much during our time with him. My thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family during this difficult time.*



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**Jason Price** - August 28, 2023 at 03:37 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Roy Eugene Blades.*



August 28, 2023 at 09:11 AM



“ *Rodger & Terry McQuay lit a candle in memory of Roy Eugene Blades*



**Rodger & Terry McQuay** - August 28, 2023 at 07:49 AM



“ *Vickie Bildstein lit a candle in memory of Roy Eugene Blades*



**Vickie Bildstein** - August 27, 2023 at 03:42 PM



“ *I've known Mr. Roy since Monica and I played softball together when we were kids. He was such a nice man and he will definitely be missed by so many people. My thoughts and prayers are with his entire family.*

**Heidi Richardson** - August 26, 2023 at 05:11 PM