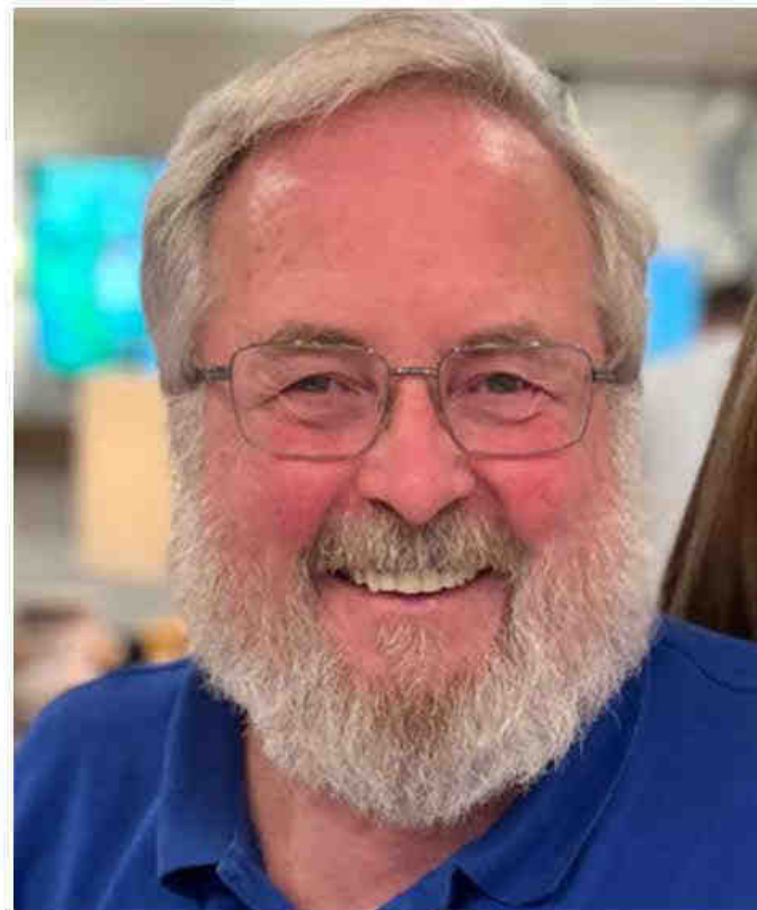


OBITUARY

Artis Bert Roper

JANUARY 17, 1955 - OCTOBER 20, 2022



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Ridout's Valley Chapel

Artis Bert Roper, age 67, of Birmingham, passed away Thursday, October 20, 2022. Art was born on January 17, 1955 in Gadsden, Alabama to Frank and Della Roper. He graduated from Southside High School in 1973. Art married Vicki on August 23, 1974. He was a member of the Church of Brookhills. During his career, Art worked at Steiner Bressler; created and founded Magic City Animation; worked with Alabama Power—notably creating Louie the Lightning Bug; Shadrack's Light Show; and served 25 years at Blue Cross Blue Shield. He was a two time recipient of the BCBS Cornerstone Award chosen by his peers as a person who most personified the company's corporate values. He earned a reputation at Blue Cross as the person who could take any idea and bring it to life. He also won numerous ADDY awards.

Art was the epitome of a loving son, husband, father, grandfather, (known affectionately as "Pop"), colleague, and friend. He was liked and respected by everyone who knew him. Art was known for his dedication to the things he loved most; family, work and a good project. If Art put his mind to something, he was all-in, and promised to deliver better than expected. "If a project is worth doing, it is worth doing right."

Art was preceded in death by his parents Frank Paul Roper and Della Mae (Clark) Roper. He is survived by his wife Vicki Mullins Roper, daughter Ashley Roper McCullars and husband, Ben McCullars; son Adam Paul Roper, and wife, Janie Nash Roper; granddaughter Riley McCullars; grandsons Ren McCullars, Nash Roper, and Ty Roper; and a 5th grandson due in January and his siblings Shirley, Tim, and Amenda.

A graveside service will be held on Tuesday, October 25 at 11:00 am at Jefferson Memorial Gardens in Hoover.

A celebration of Art's life will be held at Ridout's Valley Chapel in Homewood beginning at 12:30 until 2:00pm Tuesday, October 25.

Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.ridoutsvalleychapel.com for the Roper family.

Following notification received 7/21/2023 from Charlie Brynelsen PPHS Class of 1975:

I have another name, unfortunately, for the Alumni Memorial page at PawPawWappaw. My PPHS chum Art Roper passed away this past October. Art was from the Class of 1973. He attended PPHS for 3 1/2 years before needing to leave for Alabama to attend to an ailing family member. His senior picture is in the 1973 Wappaw. Art was quite the track star for Paw Paw, and one of my mentors in the sport.

Art's obituary, video and more photos can be found at the following: [>>Link<<](#)

