



## Mr. Eugene Anthony "Big Gene" Rice

August 17, 1954 - February 3, 2021

Eugene Anthony Rice, "Big Gene," passed unexpectedly on February 3, 2021 in Savannah, GA at the age of 66. Big Gene was preceded in death by his parents Edward and Marguerite Rice and his brother, Edward Rice. His most fulfilling vocation here on Earth was as an adoring husband to Kathy Rice for 43 years, a compassionate father to Christy (husband Robbie) and Gene Rice Jr. (wife Isabel), a larger than life grandfather to Will, Reese, Coleman, Whitt, Hayes, and Graham, and a loving brother to his siblings Meg Cole, Mary Anne Armistead, Jackie Rice, Nancy Pryles, Chris Rice, and Pattie Blohm.

Big Gene was a modern-day Renaissance man. He was so much to so many. He had a servant's heart and a giving spirit; he was only a phone call away to lend a hand, and he would at the drop of a hat. He was a lover of the outdoors and enjoyed fishing and hunting with family and friends. He loved to be on the water, preferably in a boat with a grandkid in tow. He loved seeing God's creation at work in the wild from the front row. He was a beloved scoutmaster and mentor to a generation of young men. He was a master craftsman in carpentry and had an affinity for the details in both woodworking and in everyday life. His creative spirit will live on in the homes of many friends and family from his gifted creations. He loved a good song and a dance party to go with it. Everyone who knew Big Gene has a memory or a story of a dance floor shared with the big guy.

He was authentic and would rather take the time to get it right versus just getting it done. He left no words unsaid and was intentional with those he did use. He loved hard and forgave often. He was always sure to give grace in abundance and look for the good in each person.

Big Gene will be forever loved and incredibly missed.

Please join us in celebrating his life

Rosary/Vigil for Big Gene

February 15th, 2021 @ 7 pm

St. Peter Chanel

11330 Woodstock Rd, Roswell, GA 30075

Celebration of Life \*

February 16th, 2021 @ 11am

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To make a reservation please click here: <https://conta.cc/3p6ljPX>

\*will also be live-streamed <https://youtu.be/XvBTyz1zNtU>

Big Gene had a servant's heart. In lieu of flowers, we are asking for a donation to the Compassion Kitchen Project. The Compassion Kitchen Project uses donations to pay restaurants to make meals for non-profits and for those suffering from food insecurity, providing both income for restaurant employees and help to those in crisis.

Donation Link: [https://www.paypal.com/donate?hosted\\_button\\_id=FSG8SEN9ZMBTY](https://www.paypal.com/donate?hosted_button_id=FSG8SEN9ZMBTY)

Mailed Checks to:

Atlanta CBA Endowment, Inc.

2625 Piedmont Road Suite 56-229

Atlanta, GA 30324

Memo: Compassion Kitchen Project

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 15. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

St. Peter Chanel Catholic Church  
11330 Woodstock Road  
Roswell, GA

## Rosary

FEB 15. 7:30 PM - 8:15 PM (ET)

St. Peter Chanel Catholic Church  
11330 Woodstock Road  
Roswell, GA

## Mass of Christian Burial

FEB 16. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Peter Chanel Catholic Church  
11330 Woodstock Road  
Roswell, GA

## Interment Services

FEB 16. 12:15 PM - 12:45 PM (ET)

Green Lawn Cemetery  
10993 Alpharetta Hwy  
Roswell, GA

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Eugene Anthony "Big Gene" Rice*

October 08, 2022 at 11:37 AM



“ *46 files added to the album Memories Album*



Northside Chapel - February 15, 2021 at 02:25 PM



“ *Kathy and family,*

*We are so sorry to hear about your loss. Please know that you will be in our thoughts and prayers.*

*David and Shirley (Wilczewski) Crenshaw!*

Shirley Wilczewski - February 15, 2021 at 01:38 PM

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“ Roger and Richard purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Mr. Eugene Anthony "Big Gene" Rice.



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**Roger and Richard** - February 13, 2021 at 09:29 AM