



## James Russell Elkins

May 1, 1948 - July 10, 2020

James Russell "Russ" Elkins, age 72, of Dickson, Tennessee passed away Friday, July 10th 2020.

He was a graduate of Hendersonville High School and attended Middle Tennessee State University. Russ owned and operated businesses which included Fairview Liquors, Cash and Dash Market , and Hurry Back Market on Elliston Place. He was a long time member of the So What Club in which he enjoyed with his father.

His favorite past time centered around anytime spent on the ocean or water. He was an avid boat lover and chartered large boats up difficult waterways. He was known as "Captain Russ" to those who knew him best. Russ had a collection over the years of eye catching automobiles in which his favorites included a Rolls Royce Silver Cloud II, Mercedes-Benz 350 SL Roadster, and a variety of white Cadillacs. He was sharp dressed man with impeccable hair who loved rock music, good food, and cruises.

He is survived by his daughter, Scarlett (David) Anderson; Grandchildren Ethan, Bennett, and Crew; love of his life of 20 years, Rita Dodge; Sister Michelle (John) Langlois; and Stepmother Ruth Elkins. Russ was preceded in death by his parents Bonnie Jean Grubbs Elkins and Jimmy Elkins, and Brother Tommy Elkins.

The Family will receive friends from 10:00 am until 1:30 pm on Friday, July 17, 2020 at Phillips-Robinson Funeral Home. A private memorial service will follow. He will be laid to rest at Spring Hill Cemetery. Due to the current regulations in Davidson County, only (25) twenty-five individuals may be present in the facility at a given time.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Stroke Association at PO Box 840692, Dallas, TX 75284 or by visiting <http://www.stroke.org>.

# Cemetery Details

## Spring Hill Cemetery

5110 Gallatin Rd.  
Nashville, TN 37216

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 17. 10:00 AM - 1:30 PM (cst)

Phillips-Robinson Funeral Home  
2707 Gallatin Pike, Nashville, TN US 37216  
Nashville, TN 37216

# Tribute Wall

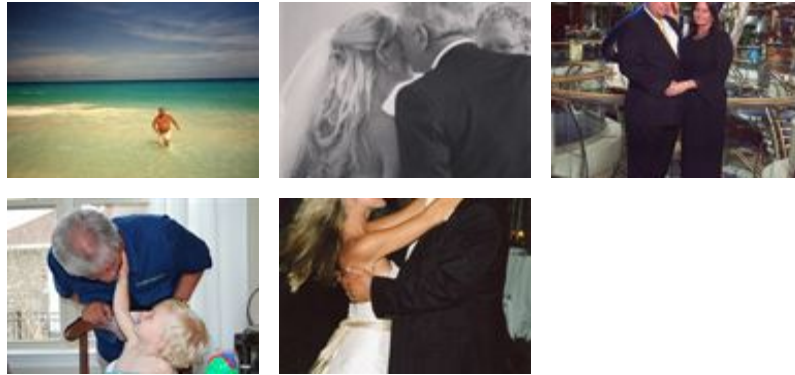


“ *James Russell Elkins*

October 14, 2022 at 08:02 PM



“ *60 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Phillips-Robinson Funeral Home - July 16, 2020 at 01:24 PM



“ *Multicolor Bright Mixed Flower Fireside Basket was purchased for the family of James Russell Elkins.*



July 16, 2020 at 07:45 AM

FS

“ From The Evens Rhett, Chris, Shirley and Stacy purchased the White Standing Spray for the family of James Russell Elkins.



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**From The Evens Rhett, Chris, Shirley and Stacy** - July 15, 2020 at 06:58 PM

JC

“ Joey, Daniel, Rowan, Claire, Kay Cordell purchased the Healing Tears - Blue and White for the family of James Russell Elkins.



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**Joey, Daniel, Rowan, Claire, Kay Cordell** - July 14, 2020 at 05:56 PM

HW

“ Russell was a great friend, caring and giving and one of the closest people in my 71 years of life. We were raised together in the same neighborhood and his family was as close as my own. He stood by me in the hard times of my life as did I during his family's many deaths and tragedies. His mother Jean and my mother were interested in sky diving. Ironically they both died a week apart of breast cancer in 1971. Russell I'll miss you...thanks for all you and your family have done for me and my loved ones. I'll continue to pray for your family.

*Not good by...but...see you later my friend.*

*Herschell Watson*

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**Herschell Watson** - July 13, 2020 at 07:46 PM

ML

*Herschell I was so worried you wouldn't know. I thought of you immediately and yall eating krystals while on a run. I hope you see you Friday.*

Michelle langlois - July 14, 2020 at 03:52 PM

SL

“ *My favorite memory is Russ and Cheryl allowing me to have my 16th birthday party at their house. We all thought their house was amazing. I remember dancing with him and my friends. I am praying for Scarlett and the rest of the family.*

Sheila Deal Loftis - July 13, 2020 at 06:58 PM

JR

“ *I had the pleasure of knowing him and his wonderful family for many years, starting at the Cadillac dealership. Always remembering the liquor store when i think of him and the forethought he and Jimmy had of what Fairview was to become. He was a true southern gentleman, just like his Dad, whom i know he is with now. My prayers to the family.*  
*Julia Robertson*

Julia Robertson - July 13, 2020 at 03:32 PM



“ *Dish Garden with Fresh Cut Flowers was purchased for the family of James Russell Elkins.*



July 13, 2020 at 03:16 PM

BO

“ Probably my favorite memory of Uncle Russell was when he took me to my first rock concert, Marshall Tucker Band at Municipal Auditorium in Nashville. Missy, me and Sheila - I think, went with him and Cheryl. Just a little while in we were crying to leave because it was SO LOUD! I am still unsure if it was his idea to take us to the movies to see Benji the next weekend to make it up to us, but he gets the credit anyway! Love you Uncle Russell!

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**Bev Osborn** - July 13, 2020 at 11:47 AM

ML

*I remember that night so well. I thought it was you and I. It was awful. I have never forgot that night.*

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**Michelle langlois** - July 14, 2020 at 03:56 PM