



Joseph Gordon Langham

October 19, 1939 - January 8, 2026

Joseph Gordon Langham was born on October 19, 1939, in Evergreen, Alabama, to Annie Dee Grant and Johnston Dewey Langham, Sr. On January 8, 2026, Gordon passed away peacefully at the age of 86. He was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers, Dan and Dewey; his sisters, Elizabeth and Virginia; his grandson, Philip; and his stepson, Bart.

Gordon is survived by his wife, Shirley; his children, Carl Langham, Carol Jones (husband Mike), and Dewey Langham (wife Cecilia); and his stepsons, John and Chris. He leaves behind a beautiful legacy through his 15 grandchildren—Billy, Melissa, Britney, Zack (wife Emily), Jacob (wife Rachel), Catherine, Nikki, JD, Wesley (wife Serena), Gordon (wife Ruth Ann), Sierra, Eddie, Joey, Renee, and Desiray—and 30 great-grandchildren. He is also lovingly remembered by many nieces and nephews who adored their Uncle Gordon.

Throughout his life, Gordon called many places home—Texas, New Mexico, Utah, Arizona, Alabama—but his heart belonged to Topsy, Louisiana, where he had a deep community of friends. A lifelong truck driver, Gordon spent countless miles on the open road, where he not only earned a living but collected stories he delighted in sharing for the rest of his life. Those stories, told with humor and heart, will live on in all who heard them.

Anyone who met Gordon felt like family within minutes. He never met a stranger, and his genuine warmth and unforgettable sense of humor drew people in instantly. But his greatest joy of all was being “Pawpaw.” His

Pawpaw Magic was something special — felt deeply and dearly by every one of his grandchildren.

A proud veteran of the US Air Force, Gordon was light, and love, and joy. He filled rooms with laughter and hearts with comfort, and his presence will be missed more than words can express.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JAN 31. 10:30 AM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Huntsville
1700 Normal Park Dr.
Huntsville, TX 77340
(936) 291-7300
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Tribute Wall

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“ *Lifting up the family and friends of Joseph Langham for comfort and strength from our Lord Jesus Christ;*



Marvin Hyvl & Family - January 27 at 11:41 AM

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“ *My deepest condolences to the family. I met Gordon through his wife Shirley who is a childhood friend of mine. I was at their wedding in Louisiana. Gordon was quite a storyteller and I enjoyed being in his presence. He always brought joy to my life. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

Petra Tuttle - January 20 at 05:42 PM

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“ *Gayle Kelly lit a candle in memory of Joseph Gordon Langham*



Gayle Kelly - January 19 at 12:27 PM

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“ *1 file added to the album Memories*



Vanessa Jones - January 19 at 11:26 AM