



## Buddy L. Stanford

October 3, 1946 - March 30, 2024

Buddy Lafayette Stanford passed into his eternal life surrounded by his loving family on Saturday, March 30, 2024. Buddy was 77 years old. His life's journey began in Pinckard, Alabama on October 3, 1946. He was the third-born child of the late Hilburn and Bessie Stanford.

In 1963, Buddy and his family moved to the Raymond Community of Coweta County where he attended East Coweta High School. It was there that he met his future wife, Paula Martin. She became Paula Martin Stanford upon their marriage in 1967.

Buddy was an Army Veteran being stationed in Aberdeen, Maryland, and later served in Korea, and then stationed in Hunstville, Alabama. His honorable discharge was in 1970.

Following his time in the Army, Buddy and Paula returned to their roots in Raymond. Buddy began his career with Georgia Power. Their family increased with the birth of two sons, David and Jon.

Buddy possessed a tremendous work ethic. Even before he retired from Georgia Power, he built and remodeled houses, ran a sawmill, and farmed. In his later years, Buddy had a great interest in restoring antique tractors. He took immense pleasure in watching his sons and grandsons competing in the

annual Turin Tractor Pull as well as many other competitions around the state, proudly wearing his red Alabama Crimson Tide hat.

Surviving Buddy is his devoted wife Paula Martin Stanford, his two sons David (wife Kim), and Jon (Serena Coogler). He was proud of his grandsons Thomas Stanford and Tyler Stanford, and Tyler's fiancé Rylee Campbell. His surviving siblings are Betty Jo Adams, Bobby Stanford (wife Suzanne), and Barbara Stanford. There is a large extended family of nieces, nephews, and other family and friends. In addition to his parents, he was also preceded in death by Paula's parents, Elliott and Elizabeth Martin.

The service to honor the life and legacy of this good man will be on Wednesday, April 3, 2024, at 2:00 PM in the McKoon Chapel at 38 Jackson Street. The family will receive friends beginning at 12:00 noon and continuing until 2:00 PM. The interment will be in the Mt. Gilead Methodist Church Cemetery. Reverend Grif Jones and Reverend Joseph Tillman will officiate the service.

Online condolences may be expressed at [www.mckoon.com](http://www.mckoon.com).

McKoon Funeral Home and Crematory 770-253-4580.

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Gilead Methodist Cemetery

2651 E. Hwy 16  
Sharpsburg, GA 30277

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 3. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

McKoon Funeral Home  
38 Jackson Street  
Newnan, GA 30263

## Funeral Service

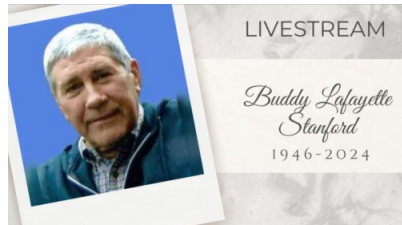
APR 3. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

McKoon Funeral Home Chapel  
38 Jackson Street  
Newnan, GA 30263

# Tribute Wall



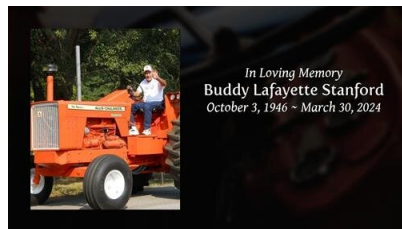
“ *McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory created a Webcast in memory of Buddy L. Stanford*



McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory - April 03, 2024 at 09:50 AM



“ *McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Buddy L. Stanford*



McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory - April 02, 2024 at 03:37 PM



“ *Just saw this. Worked with Buddy at Georgia Power. Considered him a good friend. He was a great guy. Boyd Pettitt*

Boyd Pettitt - September 28, 2024 at 02:50 PM



*12 -20 25. Just heard about his passing today. Truly a real man . Always had great respect for him. W. H Hortman*

Wilson Hortman - December 20, 2024 at 07:13 PM

KM

“ So sorry to hear about Mr. Buddy. Prayers for the family. Love Chris and Kristin Murray.

kristin murray - April 03, 2024 at 10:12 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Buddy L. Stanford.



April 03, 2024 at 04:28 PM

CS

“ I am so sorry to hear about Mr. Buddy. My prayers and thoughts are with y'all.

*Charlene Storey*

Charlene Storey - April 03, 2024 at 09:52 AM

FF

“ So saddened by the passing of Buddy. Sending prayers and thoughts as you go through this difficult time. May God comfort you during this difficult time.

*Francis Futral*



Francis Futral - April 03, 2024 at 09:10 AM

JM

“ My heart goes out to Paula and her family. I have known Buddy for a long time going back to the what use to be rural farm hayfields in Coweta County. It is an understatement to say Buddy was a hard worker. I don't think anybody could even come close to his work ethic. I know bunches of folks will miss him...I know I will! Little Jimmy

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**Jimmy Madden** - April 03, 2024 at 08:44 AM

JH

“ You and family are in our Prayers and thoughts. May the Lord comfort all of you, as He only can at this time. Joan Smith Hanson and Joyce Smith Evans

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**Joan Smith Hanson** - April 02, 2024 at 09:45 PM

TS

“ David sorry for you and your families loss sending prayers your way. Tim. Spratlin

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**Timmy. Spratlin** - April 02, 2024 at 08:22 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Buddy L. Stanford.



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April 02, 2024 at 02:56 PM

DG

“ Danny and Leigh Ann Green purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Buddy L. Stanford.



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Danny and Leigh Ann Green - April 02, 2024 at 02:55 PM

DG

“ Danny and Leigh Ann Green planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Buddy L. Stanford.

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Danny and Leigh Ann Green - April 02, 2024 at 02:55 PM

PP

“ Paul P. purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Buddy L. Stanford.



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Paul P. - April 02, 2024 at 02:32 PM

PP

“ Paul P. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Buddy L. Stanford.

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Paul P. - April 02, 2024 at 02:32 PM

FF

“ From the whole Turin Napa Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Buddy L. Stanford.



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**From the whole Turin Napa Family** - April 02, 2024 at 02:12 PM

TM

“ The Stricklands, Woodhams, and McCords planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Buddy L. Stanford.

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**The Stricklands, Woodhams, and McCords** - April 02, 2024 at 01:57 PM



“ Tender Tribute was purchased for the family of Buddy L. Stanford.



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April 02, 2024 at 01:57 PM

MB

“ Buddy and I go way back to the first grade at Wicksburg High School - a great country school for 1st-12th grades. Later in the high school years we played sports together, spent nights together and Buddy even showed me how to pick cotton with their new cotton picking machine!! No fast forward to our adult time together both at his home in Georgia and my home in IN. Buddy and Paula were an important part of Marilyn and my lives. We always cherished our time together!!

*I'm so thankful Buddy and I had the opportunity to have a good telephone conversation just about two weeks ago. Along with so many others, Marilyn and I will miss those fun times together. We have precious memories and are here to support Paula during this most difficult time.*

*God bless you, Buddy and Paula!!*

*Mike and Marilyn Bucchi*

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**Mike & Marilyn Bucchi** - April 02, 2024 at 01:36 PM

MI

“ Our prayers to Ms Paula, David, Jon and Family. Buddy was a fine man. Always enjoyed our conversations. He loved his family and his community. May God's grace give you comfort and peace in the days ahead. Retired Sheriff Mike and Bev Yeager

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**Mike&BevYeager** - April 02, 2024 at 01:33 PM

CH

“ We send our condolences to the Stanford family. My husband worked for Ga power also. Every now and then they would see each other at Raymond Express. We hate to hear about this. Such a nice man Bill and Charlotte Harkey

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**Charlotte and Bill Harkey** - April 02, 2024 at 01:25 PM

FF

“ *My prayers are with all the family. I remember playing basketball in the church league in the mid to late 70's and Buddy played with Mt. Gilead. He was a tough competitor.*

FRANK FARMER - April 02, 2024 at 12:39 PM

SC

“ *My prayers are with you and your family Jon.*

Shannon Corley - April 02, 2024 at 12:25 PM

TF

“ *The Brewer Family purchased the Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet for the family of Buddy L. Stanford.*



The Brewer Family - April 02, 2024 at 12:23 PM

JH

“ *Jon I'm sorry to hear about the loss of your father. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.*



Jamie Hixson - April 02, 2024 at 11:52 AM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Buddy L. Stanford.*



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April 02, 2024 at 11:28 AM



“ *Paula and family - please accept my condolences on the loss of Buddy. It completely shocked me when I heard about him. I know that you are a closely knit family and that his loss is very devastating for you. My thoughts and prayers go out to all of you. May our God wrap his loving arms around you and comfort you and help you to find peace, as only He can. My love to all of the family.*  
*Liz Hughie*

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**Liz Hughie** - April 02, 2024 at 11:22 AM



“ *Cathy Adams lit a candle in memory of Buddy L. Stanford*



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**Cathy Adams** - April 02, 2024 at 11:20 AM



“ *Buddy was our Hidden Lagoon neighbor at Lake Walter F George for over 17 years. During his frequent visits to his lakeside home away from home, I got to know both Buddy and Paula. Buddy was a generous hardworking man and I'll never forget him. I wish the entire family prayers and positive thoughts. RIP Buddy.*

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**Trey Anderson** - April 02, 2024 at 11:18 AM