



George "Allen" Thompson

November 4, 1945 - June 24, 2024

George "Allen" Thompson Sr., age 78, of Senoia, Georgia, passed away peacefully in the early morning hours Monday, June 24, 2024 with his family by his side.

Allen, as he was called by family and friends, was born on Sunday, November 4, 1945, to the late George Walter Thompson and Evelyn Rowe Thompson of Haralson, Ga in the house across the street from his current home of 54 years.

Allen was a loving husband, father and grandfather. He was a lover of all things involving aviation. As a small boy, he dreamed of being a pilot and working on airplanes. After High School graduation, he attended A&P Mechanic school at South GA Tech in Americus, Georgia and began working for Delta Airlines as a line mechanic in December of 1965 and retired in 1998 after 33 years of service. At the end of his mechanic career at Delta Airlines he was chosen to work in the Delta Flight Museum where he was a vital mechanic on the restoration of the Travel Air and DC-3, which are still key displays in the Delta Flight Museum. His passion was restoring antique aircraft, including 2 Stearman biplanes, a Cessna 170, Cessna 140, Piper J3 Cub, a Starduster 2, and a Luscombe, at his home with his wife and close friends. He became a mentor to many younger aviation enthusiasts where he was appreciated for his advice and knowledge. Allen also loved to garden.

Each year he carried on the family tradition of saving and planting the seeds and growing a family heirloom tomato named "Uncle Royal" grown by his father, grandfather, and great grandfather. He shared his seedlings with family and friends with pride.

The celebration of Allen's life is Saturday, June 29, 2024, at 11:00 AM in the sanctuary of Mt. Pilgram Lutheran Church, in Haralson. Allen will be laid to rest in the church cemetery following the service. The family will receive friends Friday evening from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM at McKoon Fuenral Home, 38 Jackson Street, in Newnan.

Condolences may be expressed to the family online at www.mckoon.com.

Allen is survived by his wife of 58 years: Berenda White Thompson; children, Tammy Rabern (Roxanne), Patricia Burnette (Jim), George Allen Thompson Jr. (Alex); grandchildren; Adam Rabern, Ryan Rabern, Tyler Burnette and Austin Burnette; siblings; Shirley Sherrer, Janice Peace (Herman), Jerry Thompson (Virginia) and many others, including close family friends, cousins, nieces and nephews.

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory 770-253-4580

Cemetery Details

Mount Pilgrim Lutheran Church Cemetery

135 GA-85
Haralson, GA 30229

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **28**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

McKoon Funeral Home
38 Jackson Street
Newnan, GA 30263

Funeral Service

JUN **29**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Mt. Pilgrim Lutheran Church
135 Highway 85
Haralson, GA 30229

Tribute Wall

KB

“ Kimberly B. purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of George "Allen" Thompson.



Kimberly B. - June 28, 2024 at 01:29 PM

MJ

“ Mark and Jennifer Jones purchased the Fairest of All for the family of George "Allen" Thompson.



Mark and Jennifer Jones - June 28, 2024 at 10:39 AM

MJ

“ Mark and Jennifer Jones planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of George "Allen" Thompson.

Mark and Jennifer Jones - June 28, 2024 at 10:39 AM

GG

“ Gerald, Mary and Paul Ordoyne, and Gayle purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of George "Allen" Thompson.



Gerald, Mary and Paul Ordoyne, and Gayle - June 28, 2024 at 09:34 AM

GG

“ Gerald, Mary and Paul Ordoyne, and Gayle planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of George "Allen" Thompson.

Gerald, Mary and Paul Ordoyne, and Gayle - June 28, 2024 at 09:34 AM

JF

“ Jeff Thompson and Family purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of George "Allen" Thompson.



Jeff Thompson and Family - June 27, 2024 at 10:49 PM

RK

“ Robert K. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of George "Allen" Thompson.

Robert K. - June 27, 2024 at 10:03 PM

AJ

“ Anne and John purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of George "Allen" Thompson.



Anne and John - June 27, 2024 at 11:13 AM

AJ

“ Anne and John planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of George "Allen" Thompson.

Anne and John - June 27, 2024 at 11:13 AM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of George "Allen" Thompson.



June 27, 2024 at 10:15 AM

JF

“ Joanne Jones and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of George "Allen" Thompson.

Joanne Jones and Family - June 27, 2024 at 10:15 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of George "Allen" Thompson.



June 26, 2024 at 09:13 PM

TF

“ The Kozisek family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of George "Allen" Thompson.

The Kozisek family - June 26, 2024 at 09:13 PM

JL

“ John Carriere & Randy Lauscher purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of George "Allen" Thompson.



John Carriere & Randy Lauscher - June 26, 2024 at 07:32 PM

LL

“ Love, Frank, Harriet, Karl and Lore purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of George "Allen" Thompson.



Love, Frank, Harriet, Karl and Lore - June 26, 2024 at 07:25 PM

RK

“ 10 files added to the album Stearman 708



Roy Kinsey - June 26, 2024 at 10:28 AM

WF

“ With Love, Greg, Regina and Family purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of George "Allen" Thompson.



With Love, Greg, Regina and Family - June 25, 2024 at 09:13 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of George "Allen" Thompson.



June 25, 2024 at 07:30 PM

KB

“ Kelly Carr & Kevin Brumlow planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of George "Allen" Thompson.

Kelly Carr & Kevin Brumlow - June 25, 2024 at 07:30 PM

LW

“ When you have known someone since the day he was born, and you both live to old age, you accumulate so very many memories of good times and hard times. When you are family, and live close enough to gather at your grandparents' for Sundays, holidays, and summer vacations, you make some wonderful memories. Those are the memories I shared with Allen. Mostly I remember how he was always there for me with that sweet smile and hug of comfort whenever I needed a cousin to be a friend. He was so good at everything he did, but I learned he had a skill that not many know about—he could talk off warts!! Once when we were in our twenties, we were on Grandmama Thompson's front porch and he noticed a wart that had sprung up on my hand. He said, “would you like me to talk it off?” I told him sure if he thought he could, so he told me to go in the house and get a piece of raw potato. When that was done, I gave it to Allen, who rubbed it all over the wart. Then he said, “Now, take the potato and throw it over the side of the porch, and when it rots away, your wart will be gone.” I did that, forgot all about it, and a few weeks later, looked down at my hand and the wart was gone without a trace. I let him know, and asked where he had learned to do that. He told me his other grandmother had taught him how. I hadn't thought about that in many decades, but there was always a certain magic about him, and so that was the memory that resurfaced when I wanted to leave a remembrance. Rest in peace, Allen. Well done, thou good and faithful servant. In the sweet by and by, we will meet on that beautiful shore. Love always, Linda

Linda Welden - June 25, 2024 at 07:07 PM

FW

“ From Linda Welden purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of George "Allen" Thompson.



From Linda Welden - June 25, 2024 at 06:26 PM

FW

“ From Linda Welden planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of George "Allen" Thompson.

From Linda Welden - June 25, 2024 at 06:26 PM

BA

“ Barry purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of George "Allen" Thompson.



Barry - June 25, 2024 at 06:03 PM

BA

“ Barry planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of George "Allen" Thompson.

Barry - June 25, 2024 at 06:03 PM

JW

“ Joy Williams lit a candle in memory of George "Allen" Thompson



Joy Williams - June 25, 2024 at 04:54 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of George "Allen" Thompson.



June 25, 2024 at 04:11 PM

BM

“ Bill & Norrie Morgan purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of George "Allen" Thompson.



Bill & Norrie Morgan - June 25, 2024 at 02:16 PM

BM

“ Bill & Norrie Morgan planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of George "Allen" Thompson.

Bill & Norrie Morgan - June 25, 2024 at 02:16 PM

PT

“ Have known Allen for 30+ years through our times at Delta and the flight museum. Always enjoyed talking "Old" planes. Really appreciate the work he did for the Delta Aflight Museum. A great guy who will be missed.

Paul Talbott - June 25, 2024 at 12:51 PM

MP

“ Mike and Donna Pollard purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of George "Allen" Thompson.



Mike and Donna Pollard - June 25, 2024 at 11:44 AM

MP

“ Mike and Donna Pollard planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of George "Allen" Thompson.

Mike and Donna Pollard - June 25, 2024 at 11:44 AM

SW

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with ya'll during this difficult time. Love Ronnie and Susan Whatley

Susan Whatley - June 25, 2024 at 11:35 AM

CH

The sweetest memories I have are going over to Aunt Brenda and Uncle Allen's house to 'raid the cabinets' and sit in the den and watch movies with the family. I'll always remember Uncle Allen as a fun loving dad that would pull us behind his car on a homemade sled during snow days and run after me when the go cart got out of control.

Christy - June 25, 2024 at 08:35 PM