



George Bradley Burkhalter

April 14, 1919 - April 28, 2016

George Bradley Burkhalter, 97, of Newnan formerly of Rome, GA passed away Thursday, April 28, 2016 at his home at Wesley Woods of Newnan-Peachtree City. Bradley was born April 14, 1919 in Rome, GA. He was the son of the late William Isaac Burkhalter and Gladys Gardner Burkhalter.

Along with his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife of 48 years, Helen Davis Burkhalter, his wife of 17 years, Charlotte Murdock Burkhalter, and his brothers William Isaac Burkhalter, Dr. James Herbert Burkhalter.

He graduated from Rome High in 1936, where he served as President of his senior class. He graduated from the Georgia Institute of Technology in 1947, where he received a Bachelor of Electrical Engineering and was a member of the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity.

He served his country for the three years during World War II as a navigator on a B-17 with the 8th Army Air Corps and the 92nd Bombers Squad. He was based in Paddington England where he flew 35 missions, two of which were on D-Day. He received the distinguished flying cross, the air medal with three clusters and the Presidential Unit Citation with three clusters. He was associated with Battey Machinery Company for 35 years, where he served as manager of the electrical department until his retirement in April 1989. He joined The Rome Exchange Club in 1950 where he was a past president and the oldest living member. In 2009 he was made a lifetime member of The Exchange Club and past president of the Coosa Valley Fair. For many years he was a member of the Second Avenue Baptist Church, where he served as

a deacon. Later in life he became a member of the First Baptist Church.

Condolences can be expressed online at www.mckoon.com

The graveside service in Rome is Monday, May 2, 2016 at 2 o'clock at Myrtle Hill Cemetery, near the tomb of the known soldier, with Dr. Floyd Roebuck officiating. Rather than flowers, memorial contributions can be made to The Exchange Club of Rome Family Resource Center, P.O. Box 168, Rome, GA 30162. The memorial service in Newnan is Tuesday, May 10, 2016 at 2 o'clock in the Thompkins Auditorium at Wesley Woods of Newnan-Peachtree City with Rev. Sharon Edgar officiating.

He is survived by his daughter, Betsy Burkhalter White and her husband Michael and Charlotte's children, Jane Murdock Heaberlin, Don Murdock and her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews.

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory, 38 Jackson St, Newnan, GA (770) 253-4580

Cemetery Details

Myrtle Hill Cemetery, Rome, GA

90 Myrtle Street
Rome, GA 30161

Previous Events

Service

MAY 10. 2:00 PM (ET)

Wesley Woods Thompkins Auditorium
2280 Highway 29
Newnan, GA 30263

Tribute Wall



“ *McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of George Bradley Burkhalter*



McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory - April 30, 2016 at 01:14 PM

LD

“ *Dear Betsy, I was so sorry to hear about your Dad. He will always hold a special place in my heart. He was a wonderful friend and always had a smile, a hug, and a kiss for me every time I saw him at Wesley Woods. I loved going by his apartment and just talking... of course we share a love of Georgia Tech. I know he will be missed, but I am very grateful and thankful that I got to know him. Prayers and Hugs to you and your family.*

Linda Dickerson

Linda Dickerson - May 01, 2016 at 08:49 PM

BW

Thank you, Linda! We were just talking about you the other day and remembering when you made him breakfast. You were his angel! He adored you! Thank you for your kindness!

Betsy White - May 01, 2016 at 10:32 PM

JB

I remember Bradley as a great friend to my parents, Claude & Alma Bivins, and to me also. He & I shared Ga Tech & Electrical Engineering. I'm sorry for your loss; it really is a loss to all who knew him.

Jack Bivins

Jack Bivins - May 02, 2016 at 06:59 AM

BW

Thank you, Jack! I'm honored you attended his graveside service! Thank you for your kindness! It was so nice to see you again. Your parents were great friends to both Dad and Mothers. Many thanks for your thoughtfulness.

Betsy White - May 03, 2016 at 04:23 PM



“ *My condolences to the family and friends in the loss of this gentleman and hero.*

Bradley was a friend of the Huff family during his life. He, Bobby and Burney Huff, Jimmy Wyatt and so many others were close through out life and I am sure they are together with all their loved ones and friends enjoying what awaits us all.

Robert W. Huff, Jr.

Robert Huff - May 01, 2016 at 11:18 AM

BW

Thank you, Robert! You were so kind to comment and remember Dad. I remember your dad and Huff's so well. Dad and I tried to call Bernie before he passed away, but he was asleep. I know they are all having a ball!

Betsy White - May 01, 2016 at 04:17 PM



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McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory - April 30, 2016 at 01:07 PM



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Betsy White - April 30, 2016 at 08:14 AM



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Betsy White - April 29, 2016 at 08:28 PM

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Betsy White - April 29, 2016 at 12:01 PM

 Star Hicks

I Love these pictures Betsy! 😍

Star Hicks - April 30, 2016 at 09:15 AM

BW

Thank you, Star!

Betsy White - April 30, 2016 at 10:23 PM

MW

Betsy, what a wonderful tribute to your father! We found and read the notice in the Rome News online. We were blessed to have fathers from the Greatest Generation. It has been many years since we have seen you, but we send our deepest sympathy and condolences to you and your family. May your memories give you comfort.

Marvin and Sharon (Elrod) Waldrep, Smyrna, GA

Marvin Waldrep - May 01, 2016 at 12:21 PM

BW

Thank you, Marvin and Sharon! I appreciate your kind thoughts! Dad led a wonderful blessed life and I'm honored that he moved closer to us so we could be together. We have made some great memories!

Betsy White - May 01, 2016 at 04:27 PM

EN

“ Bradley was such a wonderful member of our family and he lived a long and useful life. I am sure he was a big influence on our son, Nicky, going to Georgia Tech and becoming an electrical engineer. I know they are already playing a game of chess which they loved. He will be missed.
Evelyn Nichols (sister-in-law)



Evelyn Nichols - April 28, 2016 at 06:12 PM

BW

Thank you, Aunt Evelyn! I agree he and Nick are playing chess! They both are missed so much!

Betsy White - April 28, 2016 at 07:54 PM

BB

“ Uncle Bradley was a truly good man with a heart of gold. He always had a smile and encouraging word and was an absolute joy to be around. My every memory of him is a happy one and I will miss him. He was a courageous warrior when our nation needed him, a great family man, a pillar in his community, and a ray of sunshine wherever he went. We will always cherish his memory, until we are together again in our Father's house. We love you, Uncle Bradley.

Bill Burkhalter - April 28, 2016 at 05:36 PM

BW

Thank you, Bill! We appreciate your kind thoughts! I remember all our trips to Orlando and the fun we had with Uncle Jim on the sailboat! Great times growing up with these two special men!

Betsy White - April 28, 2016 at 07:59 PM