



Gerald Eugene Conner

July 20, 1932 - January 10, 2016

Gerald Eugene “Jerry” Conner died Sunday, January 10, 2016, at his home in Newnan, Georgia, after a brief illness.

Born July 20, 1932, in Timmonsville, South Carolina, to Bessie Lee Parnell and Willie Darrell Conner, Jerry was the youngest of their five children. He married Ann Rose Tippie Foster in 1962 in Florence, South Carolina. They moved to Georgia in 1965 and were blessed with two children. His wife; his daughter, Jerry Ann Conner of Newnan, Georgia, and her husband, Kent Alan Voyce; his son Gerald Foster (Skip) Conner of Florence, S.C., and his wife, Kim Basu; and his grandson, Samuel Thomas Conner (Sammy T) Voyce, survive Jerry. His parents, Willie Darrell Conner and Bessy Parnell Conner, and siblings, William Harold Conner, Dorothy Elizabeth Conner Scarborough, Jacqueline Gray Conner Parrott, and Darrell Lee Conner predeceased him. Jerry was a 1950 graduate of Timmonsville High School. He was a 1954 graduate of the University of South Carolina’s School of Engineering. Upon graduation he accepted an engineering position with Aluminum Company of America (ALCOA) and then was called to active duty as a commissioned 2nd Lieutenant in the United State Air Force. From 1955 until 1957, Jerry served his country as a fighter pilot, stationed at Webb Air Force Base in Texas, as a member of the 27th SAC Fighter Bomb Wing. As a U.S. Air Force Captain, he was released from active duty in 1957; he continued to serve as a Captain in the United States Air Force Reserves until his honorable discharge in 1969. In 1957, he joined Eastern Airlines as a pilot; he served as a Captain with the

airline until his retirement in 1989.

Jerry was a member of the first Board of Trustees of The Heritage School, and was a member of the Central Baptist Church of Newnan. A lifelong learner, Jerry was an avid reader and student of history. He enjoyed traveling and spending time at his beach home in Garden City, South Carolina.

A memorial service will be held at Central Baptist Church of Newnan at 2:00 pm, Thursday, January 14, 2016; reception with the family will follow in the church reception hall. McKoon Funeral Home will officiate. Interment will follow at Mount Hope Cemetery in Florence, South Carolina, at 2:00 pm, Friday, January 15, 2016, with a graveside service.

Memorial donations, in lieu of flowers, may be made to Central Baptist Church of Newnan, 14 West Broad Street, Newnan, Georgia 30263, and to The Heritage School, 2093 U.S. 29, Newnan, Georgia 30263. Online condolences may be expressed at www.mckoon.com. McKoon Funeral Home 770-253-4580.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Hope Cemetery

200 Cherokee Road
Florence, SC 29501

Previous Events

Service

JAN 14. 2:00 PM (ET)

Central Baptist Church
14 West Broad St.
Newnan, GA 30264

Visitation

JAN 14. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Newnan, GA 30264

Tribute Wall

PM

“ *Tippie, My heart goes out to you with the loss of Jerry. I remember our good times at the beach and spending the night at your grandmother's under a "hundred quilts". God be with you.*
Pat Berne Mizell


Patricia Berne Mizell - January 15, 2016 at 08:51 PM

JH

“ *Mr and Mrs (Bubba) Kim Huggins sorry for your loss*




Jim and Karen Huggins - January 13, 2016 at 07:13 PM

 Delane Hall

“ *Delane Hall lit a candle in memory of Gerald Eugene Conner*



Delane Hall - January 13, 2016 at 06:03 PM

 Delane Hall

“ *Ms. Tippie,
Words are not enough to express our sorrow. We will be keeping you and the family in our thoughts and prayers. Love and God bless you.*
Delane and Joe Hall

Delane Hall - January 13, 2016 at 06:01 PM

CK

“ *Tippie and Family,
John and I send our love and sympathy. Jerry
was one of a kind and we loved the time we
have spent with him through the years! We
pray for healing 🙏🙏🙏!!*
Claire



Claire Kilby - January 13, 2016 at 10:00 AM

FF

“ *Our prayers are with all the Conner family during this difficult time of
loss. Please let us know if we can do anything for you.*
Frank and Melody Farmer

FRANK FARMER - January 13, 2016 at 08:32 AM

NW

“ *Thinking of you and have you in my prayers.*

Nora Ann Wood

Nora Ann Wood - January 12, 2016 at 01:27 PM

GW

*We are thinking of you all at this time of sadness. Be comforted in the
long, fruitful life he lived.*
Bobby and Geraldine Welch

Geraldine and Bobby Welch - January 12, 2016 at 03:03 PM

SJ

*Miss Tippie, Jerry Ann, Skipper & Family,
My heart goes out to all of you during this most difficult time.
I know how greatly Mr. Gerry will be missed, & you remain in my
prayers for peace and comfort. All my love,*
Stanley Jones

Stanley Jones - January 13, 2016 at 12:01 PM

BB

Tippie, Jerry Ann and Skip:

Bobbie and I were saddened to hear of Jerry's passing. Only you and God can truly feel the depths of your sorrow. We pray His love, strength and mercy will enfold and comfort you, especially during these darkest hours. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Love

Bobbie and Bill Breed

Bill & Bobbie Breed - January 13, 2016 at 12:25 PM