



James Harold Burks

September 4, 1930 - July 14, 2015

James Harold Burks was born at Arnco Village, September 4, 1930 to the late Graydon Cline Burks and Agnes Borders Burks. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Mrs. Christine Burks Banks.

Harold always believed in hard work; as a youth he had a paper route around Arnco Village. As an adult, Harold dearly loved working at the Ford Plant. He found ways to make his work fun. Harold loved to tell how he would go up on the Ford plant roof to get a little sunshine and watch the airplanes go over. Harold enjoyed golf and working in his garden or flowers. The Burks yard is known far and wide for its beauty. He delighted in maintaining it. His vegetable garden was a labor of love. Harold shared his bounty with friends and neighbors. The okra Harold planted were from seeds he saved for 60 years from his Father's garden. His beans, were Alabama #1 black beans, which were saved from year to year, too. The seeds were shared with numerous friends and relatives, so it is possible, you may have enjoyed some of them. After retiring Betty and Harold had the opportunity to travel with friends.

During a trip to California, Harold got to hit the golf ball at Pebble Beach Golf Course. A highlight of his golf career; even more than his holes-in-one at Flat Creek and White Oak!

Harold and Betty were some of the very earliest members of Unity Baptist Church. He was a very active member of the Church until his health deteriorated. He helped with the cooking of the meat for the Annual BBQ. He always volunteered to maintain the Church buildings and grounds. The

Sunday School Class was one of his favorite parts of the fellowship. The friendships and activities were treasured.

Harold was one of the original members of the Newnan National Guard post. He joined in May 1949 and served his Country until November 1962.

The family respectfully requests that donations be made to Unity Baptist Church (or your favorite charity) in lieu of flowers.

Harold is survived by his wife, Mrs. Betty Yearwood Burks, son, Audie (Denise) Burks and his beloved little dog Ellie. His brother, Mr. Clinton (Nancy) Burks and his sisters, Mrs. Imogene (Bobby) Rooks, Mrs. Elizabeth (Charles)Gordon along with numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

The funeral service for Harold will be on Thursday, July 16th at 11:00 AM in the chapel of McKoon Funeral Home with Dr. Phil Pilgrim and Ann Slaton officiating. The family will receive friends beginning at 10:00 AM. Interment will be at Forest Lawn Memorial Park. Online condolences may be expressed at www.mckoon.com. McKoon Funeral Home 770-253-4580.

Cemetery Details

Forest Lawn Memorial Park

656 Roscoe Road
Newnan, GA 30263

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 16. 10:00 AM (ET)

McKoon Funeral Home
38 Jackson Street
Newnan, GA 30263
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Tribute Wall

SD

“ So sorry to hear about your loss.

Sandra Cenkner Daras - July 16, 2015 at 01:00 PM

RR

“ We were deeply saddened by the news of Harold's passing. May our Lord bless and comfort you and your family during this time of grief. Please accept our most heartfelt condolences.

Roger & Joyce Ratcliffe - July 16, 2015 at 09:10 AM

FH

“ Betty, I am so sorry about Harold, I will be out of town for the funeral, but you are in my thoughts and prayers. Love you, Faye

Faye Holloway - July 16, 2015 at 08:00 AM

HY

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you and the family. Sending you my love Aunt Betty.

Helen Yearwood - July 15, 2015 at 05:58 PM

BS

“ Elizabeth you are in my thoughts and prayers.

Betty Jean Wilson Stewart - July 15, 2015 at 04:11 PM

CG

“ You all are in our thoughts and prayers.

Cheryl Coggin Glisson - July 15, 2015 at 04:05 PM

MS

“ *Very sorry to hear of your loss Audie.*

Mike Storms - July 15, 2015 at 11:03 AM

DO

“ *Please know that you all are in our thoughts and prayers. Lots of love! Debbie*

Debbie Olmstead - July 15, 2015 at 10:55 AM

HP

“ *You are very much in our thoughts and prayers this morning. We are so sorry for the long suffering Harold had to endure but glad to know he is well now. We pray for your comfort and peace as you miss your loved one, He was so loved and will be missed. We will be remembering you in our prayers. Love from your cousins, Herbert & June Potts*

Herbert & JUNE pOTTS - July 15, 2015 at 10:00 AM

FB

“ *Audie and Denise I am so sorry for your loss. I will keep your family in my prayers.*

Freida Bright - July 15, 2015 at 09:35 AM

JE

“ *We are so sorry for your loss.*

Jennifer Welch Egas - July 14, 2015 at 09:29 PM

PD

“ *so sorry for your loss*

patsy driver - July 14, 2015 at 08:45 PM

DJ

“ Dear Elizabeth and the Burks Family, We are so sorry hear of your Brother's death. May the Good Lord give you and your Family peace love and understanding during this difficult time. God loves you and we do too, Don and Mildred

Don and Mildred Jones - July 14, 2015 at 02:44 PM