



LTC (Ret) George Donald Waters

September 9, 1931 - January 25, 2025

LTC (Ret) George Donald Waters, 93, passed peacefully at home with family by his side on Saturday morning, January 25, 2025. He is survived by his wife of 69 years, Barbara McNair Waters, his daughter, Beth (Waters) Moody and husband Hank, his daughter-in-law, Regina Burt Waters (wife of his deceased son, Lee Ashton Waters), six grandchildren, Samuel Ashton Waters, Henry Matthew Moody, Georgiana (Moody) Massad, Robert James Waters, Savannah (Moody) Cobb, Callie Elizabeth Waters, and eight great grandchildren. He was born to the late George Clifford Waters and Elizabeth Brown Waters on September 9, 1931, in Sylvania, Georgia, and is preceded in death by two younger brothers, Russell Ashton Waters and Robert Lee Waters. After graduating from Screven County High School in 1948, he received an appointment to the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York. Following graduation in 1953, he attended Infantry Basic School, Jump School and Ranger School before heading to Germany for his first duty station. George then returned to the US and married Barbara McNair, of Sylvania, Georgia, on July 16, 1955. From there he and Barbara moved to Ft Ord in Monterrey, California. He then transferred to the Corps of Engineers in 1959 for the rest of his career where he served in Korea, Vietnam and as a Battalion Commander in Germany. During their time in California, George and Barbara welcomed their son, Lee. George also served two academic tours at West Point. On his first tour in 1965, he was a tactical officer. His daughter Beth was born during this time. His second tour was from '74 - 78 doing

institutional research.

In the summer of 1978, George moved his family to Marietta, Georgia. Following his retirement from the Army in 1980, he worked as an airport construction consultant and finished his career in quality control at Lockheed in Marietta, Georgia. While living in Marietta, George and Barbara were active members of Eastside Baptist Church and served as leaders for the college group in the early 80's. They both had a passion for seeing young people grow in their faith. In 1994, George and Barbara moved to Newnan, Georgia to be closer to family. They built a home in the White Oak golf community and resided there for the last 30 years and were members of Sunrise Baptist Church.

George treasured his time in the military and the many lifelong friends he and Barbara made along the way. He was an avid reader, a music lover, enjoyed cool cars and was a sports enthusiast, playing numerous sports in school and always enjoyed a good round of golf.

Above all else, George will be fondly remembered as a man who was madly in love with his bride, Barbara, and a quiet man of faith who dearly loved his family. He cherished being involved in their lives and participating in their activities and was often seen as a father figure by many of his children's and grandchildren's friends. He was loved and admired by so many. He will be greatly missed.

A Celebration of Life for George will be on Sunday, March 9, 2025 from 3:00 PM until 5:00 PM at White Oak Clubhouse, 141 Clubview Drive Newnan, GA 30265.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Hope Global Initiative of Newnan, <https://www.hopeglobalnewnan.com/>.

Condolences may be expressed online at www.mckoon.com

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory (770) 253-4580

Cemetery Details

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Newnan, GA 30263
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Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAR 9. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM.

White Oak Clubhouse

Tribute Wall

SG

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Susan Gillespie - May 13, 2025 at 07:14 PM

SG

Charlie truly loved this foursome, they would laugh and call George the general. He and Barbara were very special to us.

Susan Gillespie - May 13, 2025 at 07:15 PM

JR

“ *I am so sorry, we will not be able to be there, since we will be out of town. I love George and Barbara, they were an inspiration of the love, they shared. Treasure the wonderful memories!*

Julia Rivers - March 06, 2025 at 11:48 AM

GS

“ *Dear Beth and Family, I am so sorry for your loss of what sounds like a wonderful person. His kind face reminds me of you too, Beth. I will be keeping you all in my prayers. Gloria Cann Schrepfer*

Gloria Schrepfer - February 06, 2025 at 12:27 PM

WA

“ My late wife and I have loved George and Barbara since our time at West Point. They were wonderful people and we would always call them when we were passing through Atlanta to see how they and their pets were doing, and how the all the airport construction was doing since it seemed like some revisions were always being made. George will be greatly missed, and my condolences go out to Barbara and their family. Welch Agnew and Lainie

Welch Agnew - February 03, 2025 at 01:48 PM

BM

Hi Welch and Lainie,
Thank you so much for your kind words. Mom and Dad always cherished your friendship so much.
My prayers are with you as you also are grieving the recent loss of Carole Anne. No doubt she and Dad are having fun catching up.
Blessings, Beth

Beth Moody - February 09, 2025 at 06:52 PM

JB

Beth, I was so sorry to hear about the loss of your dad. I will always cherish the memories of the happy times when the Waters could all get together, sharing meals and great stories. Condolences and love to you and family.
Janis Waters Boucher

Janis Boucher - March 09, 2025 at 12:41 AM