



Richard Harley Long

October 20, 1926 - February 28, 2008

Mr. Richard Harley Long, age 81, of Newnan died Thursday at Piedmont Newnan Hospital. Mr. Long was born October 20, 1926 in Coweta County to the late Richard and May Cavender Long. He retired from the Coweta County School System where he had been in the facilities' maintenance department. Mr. Long is survived by his wife of 63 years Curtis Hight Long of Newnan and his daughters Janet Long Morgan and Carolyn Long Nash, both of Fayetteville. His grandchildren are John Paul Morgan, Elizabeth Morgan, Benjamin Nash and Jennifer Nash Wilkerson. He has one great grandchild, Kylie Nash. Also surviving are his brother Clifford Garland Long and sisters Linda Long Morgan and Nellie Jo Long Colbert. Funeral arrangements are by McKoon Funeral Home at 38 Jackson Street where the family will receive friends on Friday evening between 6:00 PM and 8:00 PM. The funeral service will be conducted by the pastor of Newnan First United Methodist Church Dr. Med Roach on Saturday, March 1, 2008 at 3:00 PM in the McKoon Funeral Home Chapel. Interment will be in Oak Hill Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Mr. Long's memory to The American Heart Association 1101 Northchase Parkway Suite 1 Marietta, GA 30067. Online condolences may be expressed at www.mckoon.com.

Cemetery Details

Oak Hill Cemetery

96 Jefferson Street
Newnan, GA 30263
(770) 253-3744

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 29. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

McKoon Funeral Home
38 Jackson Street
Newnan, GA 30263
(770) 253-4580
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Service

MAR 1. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I don't know if this will get to the family of Harley and Curt, but I figured I would give this a try. Back in 1999 I visited my grandma Donna Morse-Johnson who was their next door neighbor in Newnan, GA. I flew in from Washington state for the summer of my freshman year and worked down the road at Dean's General Store. Anyways, Harley befriended me and we would go for rides in his little pickup, and me being a Yankee could hardly understand him sometimes! HAHA!

But I remember they took me to a community event at the high school football field and I remember on our way back, Harley and Curt got into a "heated" discussion. But you see, I had never witnessed before in my life two family members (let alone husband and wife) disagreeing so respectfully. Harley would say something like, "no ma'am, that's not what happened", and Curt responded, "I think so dear, I think so". The respect and love was palpable and I will never forget that memory.

I would head over to visit them at their home and one time Curt made a banana cream pie as a treat for me (the good kind with vanilla wafers), Harley walked with me to the backyard and we sat down together on a bench. As we sat there he looked up into the sky at the tops of some enormous trees above us. "Curt and I planted these trees when we first moved into this house years ago." I looked up and was astonished at the sheer size of these towering trees. "You planted these trees Harley?"... "Yes sir I did". Again, a moment that really spoke to my heart and soul that love could really last and be a forever kind of thing. Just one day at a time. I suppose the saying that the days go by slow and years go by fast is a true statement.

So with that, I'll end it with this...

Isaiah 61:3

...to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of

joy instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair. They will be called oaks of righteousness, a planting of the Lord for the display of his splendor.

With great respect and love for Harley and Curtis Long,

*Joseph Chumley
Puyallup, WA*

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