



## Dr. Edward Wade Radford

November 24, 2012

Dr. Edward Wade Radford, age 65, of Buford, GA passed away on Saturday, November 24, 2012. He was preceded in death by his daughter, Mandy Radford Loftis; parents, Mr. & Mrs. William W. Radford; and brother, Jerry Radford. He is survived by his wife of forty-four years, Nancy Arsenaux Radford, Buford, GA; daughter and son-in-law, Tracey Radford Waldrop and husband, John, Buford, GA; son-in-law, Stephen Loftis, Greenville, SC; grandsons, Hunter Wade Waldrop and Parker John Waldrop; and sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Bobbie and Max Fuller, Lilburn, GA. Dr. Radford was born May 3, 1947 in Greenville, SC. He was a 1965 graduate of Greenville High School in Greenville, SC, a 1969 graduate of Georgia Institute of Technology where he received his Bachelor's Degree in Mechanical Engineering, a 1981 graduate of Georgia Institute of Technology where he received his Master's Degree in Industrial Management, and a 1990 graduate of Georgia Institute of Technology where he received his Doctorial Degree in Economics. He was a Vietnam veteran of the U. S. Army, Armored Division, and was a Retired Brigadier General from the Georgia State Defense Force. He was the retired owner of Radford Storage Systems in Buford, GA, he worked for Tara Jewelry for three years, and he also taught at Georgia Institute of Technology. He was a former member of the Gwinnett Rotary Club and was a Board Member of the Gwinnett Hospital System for more than twenty years. He was a former member and deacon of the First Baptist Church of Buford and was a member of the Hamilton Mill United Methodist Church where he was also a member of

the Seekers Sunday School Class. He loved his dog, Heidi. Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, November 27, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. at Hamilton Mill United Methodist Church with Dr. David Davis and Rev. Jason Mincey officiating. Interment will follow at Hamilton Mill Memorial Gardens in Buford, GA with full military honors. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Monday from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. and from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Gwinnett Hospital System Foundation, Open Heart Program or Crohn's Colitis Foundation in memory of Edward W. Radford.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Dr. Edward Wade Radford*

November 08, 2022 at 07:37 PM



“ *Nancy and Tracey & families. I just found out today (12/06/12) that Ed had passed away. I felt sad for our community but especially for Nancy and Tracey. Ed was a wonderful friend and American. He truly was a leader in the mold of General Patton who could get the mission accomplished and not give just empty excuses. Ed was a "quiet" man when it came to helping others. He wanted no fame or glory. Ed, wherever you are in this great universe of God's. YOU MADE A DIFFERECE.*

**Larry R. Henderson** - December 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *We are so sorry to hear about your loss. We have such fond memories of your family from our ministry at FBC Buford. We pray God's peace, love and mercy upon you in the upcoming days.*

*Love in Christ,  
Rev. Lane, Julie, Garrett & Brantley Collins*

**Julie & Lane Collins** - December 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *My family and I send our prayers*

**SSG BEST-SAMUEL** - November 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ Praying you feel the Lord's arms around you during this difficult time. Our prayers are with each of you!

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**Andy & Amie Maddox** - November 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ NANCY, TRACEY, JOHN, AND BOYS OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH EACH OF YOU DURING THIS TIME. ED WAS AN AMAZING MAN, HUSBAND, FATHER, FATHER-IN-LAW, GRANDFATHER, AND FRIEND TO ALL. HE WILL BE GREATLY MISSED AND ESPECIALLY THAT MISCHEIVIOUS GRIN HE ALWAYS HAD WHEN HE DIDNT HAVE THAT HUGE HEART WARMING SMILE ON HIS FACE. HE SET AN AMAZING EXAMPLE FOR ALL. WE LOVE YOU GUYS AND ARE HERE FOR ANYTHING YOU NEED. LOVE MICHELLE, BENTLEY, JACOB, AND JT WHITT AND GAIL AND HARRY BLANKENSHIP

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**WHITT** - November 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MI

“ NANCY, TRACEY, JOHN, AND BOYS OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH EACH OF YOU DURING THIS TIME. ED WAS AN AMAZING MAN, HUSBAND, FATHER, FATHER-IN-LAW, GRANDFATHER, AND FRIEND TO ALL. HE WILL BE GREATLY MISSED AND ESPECIALLY THAT MISCHEIVIOUS GRIN HE ALWAYS HAD WHEN HE DIDNT HAVE THAT HUGE HEART WARMING SMILE ON HIS FACE. HE SET AN AMAZING EXAMPLE FOR ALL. WE LOVE YOU GUYS AND ARE HERE FOR ANYTHING YOU NEED.

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**MICHELLE** - November 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ Nancy, Tracey, and Family,  
You are in my thoughts and prayers! May God see you through this difficult time and know that he and Mandy are watching over you together now!

God Bless you all!

Karen Siebenlist

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**KAREN SIEBENLIST** - November 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ He was a wonderful man and I'm sincerely proud to have known him. He lived an amazing life in which he could tell stories for hours, which I will miss dearly. We will all miss him greatly. My thoughts and prayers are with his family.

Thank you for your time Mr. Radford,  
Jeff Hinkle

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**Jeff Hinkle** - November 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ Ed Radford was a gracious courageous man. It was my privledge to know and serve under him in the State Defense Force. Heartfelt prayers for his wife and family in this sad time.

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**Dennis Watts** - November 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AJ

“ Nancy, Tracy, John & Boys: We were saddened to hear of Ed's passing. We are thankful for time we got to spend with you all as neighbors. Our community has lost a great leader & friend. You all are in our prayers! Vernon & Ann

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**Ann Jarrard** - November 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ I have such fond memories of Ed and the time I had the honor of working with him. He was such a strong support for me and our organization. Thank you for sharing him with us. You know Robert and I thought the world of him. You are all in our thoughts and prayers,

Janet

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**Janet and Robert Schwalbe** - November 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ I new Ed a short time, Seekers Class HMUMC, but I considered him a true friend. Will miss our give and take on Georgia and Georgia Tech.

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**Jim Shields** - November 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ Dr. Radford enriched my life with his friendship. I am grateful to have known him.

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**Regina Gore** - November 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ To a Great Friend that I will miss and never forget.  
Ed wore many hats that influenced so many friends and families. As a Deacon, Ed wanted to help and serve wherever there was a need. He always enjoyed packaging and delivering toys to children at Christmas time thru the Buford First Toys Ministry.  
Thank you Lord for allowing me to know Ed Radford.  
I pray that Nancy, Tracey and Family will be Blessed with comfort and strength from our Lord and Savior.

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**Ken Ledbetter** - November 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Our love and sympathy go out to the entire family. Ed was a joy to know, but for a short while. Memories of laughter, and friendship will be special to all of us.  
He was a true Patriot!

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**Judy & Mark Waters** - November 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

ME

“ I want to let you know that your family is in my prayers. Ed had such a great personality and Tracey you are always so sweet when I see you I glad I have been able to get to know you over the year. I truly know how you feel because I lost my daddy in 1994 and not a day goes by that I don't miss him. Love You.

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**Marcia Elkins** - November 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ Praying for you all to feel the comfort of the Lord's presence and his peace.

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**Linda Horst** - November 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ Nancy, Tracy, John, Hunter, and Parker,  
Wanted you to know that I am thinking of you all. Ed will be missed. I appreciate the times I was able to spend with him and your family. Ed told me one time that if I ever needed anything just to ask. I never did but just knowing that I had someone to ask meant alot to me. I will continue praying for your family.

*Cathy Lowther*

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**Cathy Lowther** - November 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ I want to offer my sincere condolences to his family. I had the pleasure of working for Ed back in the 1990's when we did inventories. Mr Radford is the type of person who will leave a great lasting impression. I pray for you all.

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**Patricia Button** - November 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

EK

“ Nancy, Tracey and family, please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. So sorry for your loss. Love and prayers to you all.

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**Eric, Kim and Matthew Kisling** - November 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ Nancy, Tracey, John ,

*My love and prayers go out to each of you. Ed was an incredible friend. His love for others and his giving nature will always be in my heart. He was great hunting buddy and I've missed being with him on the dove field or hunting quail. His jokes still make me laugh! Integrity- He personified the word. Friend- he stood for loyalty. Honesty-he always told you the truth and where he stood. Giving- he'd give the shirt off his back. Patriot-no need for words. Wonderful husband, father and grandpa-there's no equal.*

*I will miss you Ed but will laugh again with you in heaven. The world has lost a great man. God must need him in heaven.*

*Nancy - if you need anything, I will be there for you or your family.*

*With Christ's Love,*

*Bruce*

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**Bruce Carter** - November 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MI

“ I remember working with Gen Radford from my early years in the Georgia State Defense Force almost 10 years ago. He was good to work with, an inspiring leader and source of guidance to us all.

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**MAJ William E. Pamplin, III** - November 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ "Great" is an over-used word, but Ed was truly great in every possible sense of that word. I know for me he was a great friend, a great mentor, and a great role model. I know he must have been a great husband and father as well, and Nancy, Tracey and the whole family are in my prayers.

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**Chris Conley** - November 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DE

“ *Donald Everett, COL, USA (Ret)*  
*Nancy, Tracy and family,*

*Ed Radford was an American hero. As an Airborne Ranger in Viet Nam, he received numerous medals for valor including the Purple Heart, Silver Star and the Distinguished Service Cross (The nation's second highest award for bravery). He was a truly a patriot who loved the Army and this country. .*

*Nancy, Tracy and family, as you all go through following days, weeks and months know that Ed will be fondly remembered and missed by many. Judy and I share your grief, and all of your family will be lifted up in our prayers.*

*While Ed is in a better place, the world is a lesser place with his passing.*

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**Don L. Everett** - November 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PC

“ *Ed you will always be remembered as the man who made me laugh with all your great jokes it was a pleasure to have known you and you will be truly missed by me and Johnny but never forgotten you will always be a close in our hearts.*

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**Pam Campbell** - November 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *to my buddy ed you will be missed but never forgotten*

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**johnny campbell** - November 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ *Thinking of you all at this difficult time. Praying for God's blessing, mercy and peace for you all.*

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**Susan Powell** - November 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM