



Forrest Astor Puckett

September 22, 2012

Forrest Astor Puckett, 82, of Buford, Georgia, passed away September 22, 2012. He fought the good fight, he finished the race, and he kept the faith. (2 Timothy 4:6-8). Born March 3, 1930 in Buford, he was a 1947 graduate of Sugar Hill High School (now North Gwinnett) and a graduate of the School of Banking of the South at Louisiana State University. Mr. Puckett was a veteran of the Korean War where he earned a Bronze Star for his service as a sergeant in the U.S. Army, and he was a Master Mason for over 61 years. Prior to his retirement, Mr. Puckett worked on Main Street in Buford for over 40 years for Buford Commercial Bank in many positions, including its President, and as owner/agent of Forrest Puckett Insurance Agency. He served for 27 years as a member of the City of Buford Planning and Zoning Board, many of those years as Chairman, and he also served as a member of the Gwinnett County Board of Zoning Appeals. For several decades, he served as a Poll Manager and an Area Poll Manager for both the City of Buford and Gwinnett County elections. In the early 1960's, Mr. Puckett and other community leaders promoted and expanded Buford's Little League and Dixie Youth baseball programs helping to make them among the best in the state, and the group added girl's softball to its successful programs in 1966. On July 2, 2000, Mr. Puckett suffered a life-altering stroke, and after rehabilitation, he became a resident of The Bridge Assisted Living in Lawrenceville, Georgia and later Lake Springs Assisted Living in Buford. He was a member of the Buford First Baptist Church. He was the widower of

Grace Dollar Puckett, also of Buford, who predeceased him on September 4, 1993 after 42 years of marriage. He was the youngest child of the late Astor and Lavada Forrester Puckett and the brother of the late Lucille Puckett Wallace, Edna Grace Puckett and Berma Puckett. He is survived by his son and daughter-in-law Greg and Renae Buice Puckett (Buford); by his daughter and son-in-law Nena and John Bruffey (Atlanta); by his grandchildren Megan and Ed Bolian (Duluth) and Zachary Puckett (Buford); by his dear and devoted friend Ann Burell Piper and her family; by sisters and brothers in-law Laverne and Donald Kerlin (Buford) and Jalaine and Bill Smith (Buford); by several nieces and nephews; and by a host of other loving relatives and life-long friends. The funeral will be held Thursday, September 27, 2012 at 1 pm in the Chapel of Flanigan Funeral Home with Rev. Wayne Johnson and Pastor Jerry Bennett officiating. Interment will follow at Broadlawn Memorial Gardens in Buford. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Wednesday, September 26, 2012 from 4 to 8 pm. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Leukemia & Lymphoma Society; Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF); or Peachtree Christian Hospice, 3430 Duluth Park Lane, NW, Duluth, Georgia 30096.

Tribute Wall



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“ *Nena, John and your family, Barb and I are sorry for your loss. We enjoyed meeting your father at your wedding. He was a fine gentleman and we know he will be greatly missed. Our thoughts are with you during this difficult time. May your fond memories of him bring you peace and comfort. Jack*

Jack Reale - September 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Greg, my deepest sympathy goes out to you and your Family. Your father was a wonderful person and was the one who hired me into the Banking World in the early 70's. My prayers are with you.*

Melinda Owens

Melinda W. Owens - September 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ I have many wonderful memories of Mr. Puckett. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Jan Wells

Jan Wells - September 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ Greg & Nena: I was sad to hear the news about Forrest passing away. Your family has always been and will always be special to me. I regret that I will not be able to attend the funeral due to business travel. I will keep your families in my prayers. Sincerely, Mark.

Mark Pendley - September 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. Forrest was a super nice person.

Jerry and Wilma Smith - September 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ Mr. Puckett was loved by all. His beautiful smile will be missed every day. A WONDERFUL man ! We love you.

Lake Springs - September 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ So long to a really nice guy and outstanding citizen. My sympathy to all the family.

Kenneth Westbrooks - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ *Forest will be missed, He was a great man in so many way he was my friend RIP*

Louise Parker - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *Nena and Greg,*

I'm so sorry to hear about your daddy's death. He was a very special man who really loved you guys and his grandchildren! He certainly lived a full life, didn't he! Such a great leader in the church and community - a role model you've both followed, which I'm sure made him very proud. My thoughts and prayers are with you now and always.

Marilynn Mobley - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM