



## James DeForrest Payne Sr.

January 3, 2014

James DeForrest Payne Sr., 85, of Sugar Hill, GA passed away on Friday, January 03, 2014. He was preceded in death by his Daughter Sheryl Lynn Payne; parents Eunice and Cliff Payne; sister Jeanette Pelot. He is survived by his wife of sixty-five years, Elaine Ivey Payne, Sugar Hill, GA; Daughter Kathy S. and Floyd

Gent, Wellesley, MA; Son James D. and Lynne Payne Jr., Elberton, GA; Grandchildren Lindsey and Joshua Brackett; James Corey and Alaina Payne; Katy and Paul Stephens; Ashley and DJ Hill; Calley Payne; Kelsey Payne; Audrey Payne; Adam and Dianne Gent; Kelly and Michael Engelskirger; Benjamin Gent; Ten great grandchildren; several nieces, nephews and cousins. Mr. Payne went to be with his Lord and Savior on January 3, 2014. He was born on November 22, 1928 in Villa Rica, GA and grew up in South West Atlanta. Mr. Payne married the love of his life, Elaine Ivey on September 11, 1948. They cherished their marriage. He was a member of First Baptist Church of Buford and a member of The Upper Room Sunday School Class for over forty years. Mr. Payne was a salesman for Life of Georgia Insurance Company, before beginning his career with Williamson-Dickie Manufacturing Company in 1963. He achieved Nation-Wide Top Shipper of the Year in 1977. Funeral service will be held Monday, January 6, 2014 at 11:00 A.M. at the First Baptist Church of Buford with Rev. Wayne Johnson and Joe Ivey officiating. Interment will be at the Westview Cemetery in Atlanta with Andy Ivey officiating. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Sunday

January 5, 2014 from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

# Tribute Wall



“ *James DeForrest Payne Sr.*

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“ *To the Payne family:  
Our deepest sympathy and family thoughts and prayers go out to you all during this difficult time of the loss of your family, friend and loved one. As we express our condolences, we pray that you all will recover from your loss in due time through prayer and supplication. As the psalmist so carefully worded it, "Weeping may endure for a night but joy cometh in the morning." So allow yourselves to grieve in your own way but don't stay there. Try to find away to allow joy to once again come into your lives as you celebrate the life that your loved one lived. God Bless!*

*The Artybridges*

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**Gary R. Artybridge & Family** - January 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Sincere thoughts and prayers during this time.*

*Ellen Garner Tucker, Class of 1951, West Fulton High School*

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**Ellen Garner Tucker** - January 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ I am sorry for your loss. Even though I had a short time to know Mr. and Mrs Payne, I found them to be very caring christian people. He was very friendly and welcomed me into their home. I am sure he will be missed and thought of frequently. Without a doubt he was a angel welcomed into God's kingdom. My thoughts and prayers are with Mrs. Payne as she gets through the coming days.

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**Tammy Sweat** - January 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AL

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. He was always a favorite and so very kind hearted. A true gentleman in every sense of the word. I know he will be missed.

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**Angela Russ, Emily and Ethan Lyle** - January 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ Our family will always remember DeForrest with love. His smile and stories could light up any room and he always made us laugh and feel welcome. I know he has gone on to meet his Savior and is surrounded by all the family and friends that have gone on before him. We will miss him greatly. Our prayers go out to Elaine and the rest of his family.

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**Alaina Edwards McLendon** - January 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ We are so sorry for your loss. Uncle DeForrest was a special man, and always entertaining to visit with. He will be greatly missed.

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**Walter and Rachel Ivey** - January 04, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ We have fond memories of every visit with him. No one made us feel more welcome. Guests just joined him in enjoying his day, enjoying his life. He was a great man, a great husband, father and grandfather. Praying for comfort for all. Chuck and Malia

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**Chuck and Malia Bergstrom** - January 04, 2014 at 12:00 AM