



John Franklin Grizzle

April 27, 2013

John Franklin (Frank) Grizzle, Jr., 85, of Buford, GA passed away Saturday, April 27, 2013. He is preceded in death by his parents, Frank Grizzle Sr. and Ruby Grizzle of Sugar Hill, GA and his sister Helen Waldron of Atlanta, GA. Frank, or Little Frank, as his childhood friends called him, is survived by his wife of 63 years, Bernice D. Grizzle, his sons John and Joe, and brothers Herman Grizzle of Cocoa, FL and Louie Grizzle of Buford, GA.

Born August 23, 1927 in Sugar Hill, GA, Frank went on to serve in the United States Navy during World War II as a hospital corpsman. After his service, Frank went to work for Bona Allen, Inc. in Buford where he continued to work for 23 years. In the early 1970's, with several other partners, he formed Buford Bridal and Halter company and provided small leather goods to major distributors. Prior to his retirement, Frank work for the Gwinnett County School System at North Gwinnett High School providing support services for both the high school as well as the night school where his is remembered for his quick wit, clever stories and his generous, loving nature.

Frank was a devout Christian Southern Baptist, and was involved his entire life in the church. He served the Lord for over 20 years as the music leader at Friendship Baptist Church in the Robert's Crossed Roads community of Buford, GA. At Friendship, he was also a member of the board of Deacons. Over the past years he served as an inactive deacon at both New Bethany Baptist Church and Zion Hill Baptist Church, both in Buford, GA. When he was twelve years old, Frank accepted Jesus as his Savior, was saved and used

that opportunity to go witness to his brother, Herman. He was known by his fellow church members, family and friends as a bible scholar. He was well versed and could answer most any question about prophecy and quote the bible scriptures to support the answers.

An avid bird hunter, Frank loved his time with buddies or alone shooting quail, grouse, doves and pheasant. He could spend hours talking about all of the places he has hunted, providing details of each area with fun stories of his hunting trips. He was also a huge fan of the Atlanta Braves.

A memorial service and celebration of his life will be held on Tuesday, April 30, 2013 at 3:30 p.m. in the Chapel of Flanigan Funeral Home in Buford, GA. The service will be officiated by life-long family friend and Christian brother Dale Jones, and Rev. Danny Newbern, pastor of Zion Hill Baptist Church. The family will receive friends at the funeral home Monday, April 29, 2013 from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Interment will be held at Friendship Community Baptist Church Cemetery with military honors immediately following the service.

Tribute Wall



“ *John Franklin Grizzle*

November 08, 2022 at 07:37 PM



“ *May you have peace and courage as you mourn the loss of your loved one. Isa 25:8*

M Harris - May 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Bernice and family---- I always remember both of you fondly-- your pleasant smiles and friendly hello "to a young teenager" at Friendship Church. I also remember fondly when Frank would lead a song and would ask me to accompany him on the piano--- his smile and leadership was much appreciated and helpful- Thanks and God bless and be with you and family during this time---*

Shirley Bradford Brown Dove - April 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *I suppose we heard all of his hunting stories during early morning coffee time at North. A great story teller. We had a great time of fellowship. Quick to share his faith. Enjoyed our time together at North.*

Coach Phil Hall - April 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GB

“ *Bernice,
Linda and I send our sincere condolences to you and the family. We
thought a lot of Frank and fondly remember visits in your home
especially the Christmas breakfasts. We are sorry that because of
our illness we will not be able to attend but rest assured you are in
our thoughts and prayers.*

Gene and Linda Bagwell

gene bagwell - April 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

WB

“ *Louie, so sorry to read of your loss. You and your family are in our
prayers.*

*Willie & Jo Ann Butler
Grand Ridge, FL*

Willie & Jo Ann Butler - April 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

K.

“ *Sincere condolences for your loss. I hope you will find comfort and
peace in the loving promise of the resurrection*

K.Carney-Rev.21:4 - April 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BK

“ *Bernice and family, I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and
prayers are with you during this sad time.*

Betty Jones Kimball

Betty Jones Kimball - April 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ Thoughts and prayers to each of you.

Lois Cronic - April 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ To the Grizzle family, so sorry for your loss. At this time ,remember Christ Jesus promise found at "John 5:28.29".

Sandra Rhodes - April 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ Little frank was a outstanding man I enjoyed hunting with him our prayer go out to his family

Ricky Marshall - April 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM