



Herman "Jake" Gaston Echols, Jr.

June 7, 1927 - March 6, 2013

Herman "Jake" Gaston Echols Jr., age 85, of Sharpsburg, GA left to be with his Heavenly Father on Wednesday, March 6, 2013. He was a beloved husband, father, grandfather, and follower of Christ. Jake was born in Forsyth County on June 7, 1927, but lived most of his life in the Sandy Springs and Buckhead communities. He served in the Navy during World War II. Upon discharge in 1947, he was hired by King Hardware in Buckhead. This began a successful career in the hardware industry which lasted for over 50 years. Other companies included Sandy Springs True Value and Roswell Ace Hardware, from which he retired in 2000. He was a charter member of First Christian Church of Roswell, where he also served as Treasurer and declared Elder Emeritus. Most recently, he was an active member of Christ's Church at Whitewater in Fayetteville, GA and an active member of the Lamplighter Sunday School class. Jake is survived by his devoted wife of 64 years, Nellie Anderson Echols; son and daughter-in-law, David and Pam Echols of Canton, GA; daughter and son-in-law, Jenny and Blair Walker of Sharpsburg, GA; sister, Stella (Glenn) Caswell of Canton, GA; grandchildren Monica E. Oliveira (Jim), Mandy E. Robinson (Shannon), Blair Seth Walker (Anna), and Forrest Jacob Walker; great-grandchildren Isabelle Robinson, Atticus Oliveira and Micah Robinson. He was preceded in death by his sister, Thelma Rainey, and brother, Clifford L. "Tip" Echols. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 am on Saturday, March 9, 2013 at Journey Christian Church (formerly First Christian Church of Roswell), 11365 Crabapple Road, Roswell, he will be placed in

state at the church at 10:00 am. The family will receive friends Friday, March 8, from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at Northside Chapel Funeral Directors in Roswell, 12050 Crabapple Road. Condolences may be sent or viewed at (www.northsidechapel.com). Memorial gifts in honor of Jake may be made to Journey Christian Church or Christ's Church at Whitewater.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 8. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Northside Chapel Funeral Directors and Crematory
12050 Crabapple Road
Roswell, GA

Service

MAR 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

Journey Christian Church of Roswell
11365 Crabapple Road
Roswell, GA

Tribute Wall



“ Herman "Jake" Gaston Echols, Jr.

October 08, 2022 at 11:37 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with you Nellie and your family--I always remember the good times at uncle Hermans house and seeing and laughing with Jake he always had a sweet smile he will be missed Love to all###imported-begin##Janice Holbrook###imported-end##

March 10, 2013 at 07:50 PM



“ Stella and family,
I'm sorry for your loss of Jake. I was young but remember him as a very nice, kind man. May God Bless you all.
Daddy passed away last March 2012. He had a heart attack at home. He missed Mama so much as she died in 2010. They are together now and enjoying & praising the Lord. May God comfort you all. Barbara and Everett Cook###imported-begin##Barbara Hansard Cook###imported-end##

March 09, 2013 at 10:50 AM



“ To David,
Sorry to hear about your Dad !! I really thought a lot of him and your Mom!
I would love to see you. If we could get in touch with each other would be great You are one of my oldest friends all the way to 2nd grade.
I hope you remember me , we used to live behind Mitchel & Ruby Martin. We played together a bunch !!
Please contact me @ 770-985-9707 (home) and 678-468-6681 (cell)
Look forward to hearing from you !!
Wayne###imported-begin##wayne hamrick###imported-end##

March 08, 2013 at 09:51 PM



“ So sorry to hear about Jake's passing. I knew him at King Hardware in the late 50s early 60s while working at my father's hardware (Buckhead) store just down the street from King.###imported-begin##George Murray###imported-end##

March 08, 2013 at 09:40 PM



“ Our deepest sympathy goes out to the Echol's family! Jake always had a smile on his face and the light of Jesus surrounded him! He will be missed by all!###imported-begin##Ed and Carol Trusty###imported-end##

March 08, 2013 at 04:46 AM



“ We grieve with you in the loss of Jake. He meant a lot to us. He and his family made us feel welcome we first came to the Roswell Church in 1984 and it was with his leadership that we are at the location we are today. He will be missed. Much love to the family.##imported-begin##Stanley and Nancy Fountain##imported-end##

March 07, 2013 at 09:16 PM



“ To a great man whom helped guide alot of young children growing up on Hardeman Road into adulthood. Jake always had time to bring home of the boys in the neighborhood a new ball glove after he had save his allowance.
God Bless You and Nellie, David and Jenny I feel your hurt and will be praying for you.

David##imported-begin##David Martin##imported-end##

March 07, 2013 at 07:34 PM



“ Our Prayers are with your family at this time of loss for us all. Uncle Jake will be missed. Now he can be with those of our family that have prepared a place for us all in Heaven.##imported-begin##Nick & Lnda Echols##imported-end##

March 07, 2013 at 03:26 PM



“ Dear Nelly, Jenny, Blair, David, Pam, Monica, Mandy, Seth & Jacob:

Words cannot express my deepest sympathies to all of you! Looking back, I was so honored, as a child and adolescent to attend Roswell Christian Church and have only the fondest memories of going back home for Sunday supper with my extended family and growing up with Jenny. Being around Jake was always so heartfelt because he always had jokes! His smiles and contagious laughter could light up a whole room.

Later in life, we lost touch, which is why I was amazed to see him standing at my desk at the Fulton County Courthouse when he had jury duty asking if I'd like to go to lunch!

I always looked up to him...a true disciple of God.

Peace and love to all of you!##imported-begin##Tabetha Durham##imported-end##

March 07, 2013 at 02:43 PM



“ Jenny and Blair, please know that we are praying for your family. Sorry I can't make it to the memorial service, but Vicki's hospitalization has me tied up at the moment. Your Dad leaves a great legacy of faith and work in the Kingdom of God and I pray knowing that brings comfort. wh##imported-begin##Wye Huxford##imported-end##

March 07, 2013 at 01:00 PM



“ *I am so sorry Nellie. He was a good man and good friend. I will miss his happy grin and warm handshake.*

I am glad he was one of God's men and am thankful that he is with our Lord.

Love, Don###imported-begin##Don Bass###imported-end##

March 07, 2013 at 12:40 PM



“ *You are in my thoughts and prayers. We have it all under control here. Love you and thinking of you.*

Shannon Wood###imported-begin##Shannon Wood###imported-end##

March 07, 2013 at 12:23 PM