



Mr. Jack Stow

May 25, 1941 - April 24, 2015

Jack Stow lost his year long battle with lung cancer on April 24, 2015 with his sense of humor intact, with thoughts and appreciation for his family and friends and a spunky smile on his face. Determined not to let the diagnosis overtake him, he made a valiant dash to the finish line. While the journey's end was not what we hoped for, God was at his side on his personal journey. Jack chose to battle cancer his own way which is typical of the way he approached his life. We could not have imagined it being done in any other way.

Since his days as a Boy Scout, Jack's propensity for using words led many to tell him that, with his "gift for gab," he'd certainly end up being nothing other than a salesman. That is exactly what happened. His formal education included a degree in law from John Marshall Law School yet the lure of the salesman overcame his interest in law. Jack entered law school while working for Retail Credit Company. Law school continued with his move to Atlantic Steel Company. There he began his 53 year career in the steel business and his love of sales deepened. In truth, that proved what many said years ago and he really did enjoy his gift of gab.

Jack served in various positions at Atlantic Steel Company including several sales positions in Jackson, MS, Charlotte, NC and Atlanta, GA as well as Assistant Sales Manager of Rolled Products, Regional Sales Manager, and lastly, Manager of Rolled Products. During his time as Regional Sales Manager Jack was instrumental in the development of a new product at

Atlantic Steel, Covan 50, a product developed for the exclusive use in the pre-engineered metal building industry. Jack felt a call for a new challenge twenty-five years ago when he accepted employment with Commercial Metals Company out of the Birmingham, AL office. This allowed Jack to continue the pull from sales as District Salesman for several years. Requested to look in another direction, he was appointed Sales Project Manager which included being the facilitator of four steel schools per year, two corporate training sessions per year, and of CMC's memorable special events such as the Masters Tournament, Talladega race week-ends, duck hunting trips, and SEC Championship week-ends. Many have lasting memories of these events. His parents, Margie and Frank Stow, noticed this gift of gab soon after his birth on May 25, 1941 when Jack arrived on the scene in Atlanta. As often mentioned to his children he had to walk to school through rain, sleet and snow, although this was just across the street to Garden Hills Grammar School and North Fulton High School. Church affiliation began early as his church pastor and family lived with the Stows for a period of time. Jack's mother, who served as the church organist, and his father encouraged his participation in many church skits, plays and activities which further enriched his faith and gregariousness. His faith strengthened through membership in several churches and ultimately he became an active member of Northbrook UMC where he served a long term as head usher. One of Jack fondest achievements was attaining the rank of Eagle Scout only to be topped by his son Chris' attainment of the same rank many years later. Through all of this it sounds like Jack had time for nothing else; however, his love of the game of golf (whose skill never threatened anyone) and his ability to relax fully and completely while fishing (sometimes he even brought bait) were two hobbies that added to his enjoyment of life. His natural and open friendliness certainly had an impact on others. Thank you, Jack.

Jack's life was enriched by the love of Connie Castleberry Stow, his wife of 31 years, their son Chris Stow and his wife Kelley; his children by a previous

marriage, Julie Stow Miller, her husband Jim of Cumming, GA and Tom Stow of Corvallis, OR and granddaughters, Brandy Miller and Caitlin Stow. He also will be missed by his brother Randy Stow and wife Judy of Smith Mountain Lake, VA, sister-in-law Nancy Reynolds, Bob Reynolds, nephews Michael Reynolds and Matthew Reynolds and nieces Sarah Stow McDonnell, Anna Stow Houser, and Kelly Stow Dockery. He was preceded in death by his parents and sister-in-law, Judy Castleberry.

His family is grateful for the compassionate care given by the outstanding staff of Halcyon Hospice with special appreciation to Michael Fugazzi and Carla Brooks.

A celebration of Jack's life will be held on Tuesday, April 28th at 12:00 pm at Northbrook United Methodist Church (11225 Crabapple Rd, Roswell, GA 30075), with the Reverends Tom Elliott, Rodrigo Cruz, and Hannah Garrett Johnson officiating. A reception will follow at the church.

For those wishing to make a memorial donation in Jack's memory, please consider Northbrook UMC or Bonnie J. Addario Lung Cancer Foundation at 1100 Industrial Rd #1 San Carlos, CA 94070.

Cemetery Details

Green Lawn Cemetery

10993 Alpharetta Hwy
Roswell, GA

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Jack Stow*

October 08, 2022 at 11:37 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Jack Stow.*



April 28, 2015 at 12:46 AM

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“ Dear Connie, Chris, and Family,
We are so deeply saddened by the loss of such a dear, warm, and loving man as our beloved friend Jack. And how he treasured you-- his adored family! We are keeping you close in our prayers and thanking God for letting us come to know and love this wonderful man. His faith in God and Christ and his zest for life brought so much good to this world!! Jack's joy in serving our Northbrook church as head usher and greeter shone in his smile, and his kindness and loving spirit will be sorely missed. We remember how lovingly he trained Joanna as an acolyte and how closely bonded he remained through the years to her and to all the children he taught the acolyte mission. To know Jack was to truly love Jack for his great wit, his humility, and his devotion to serving God in every way he could. His happiness in all he did for others was contagious. It was always such a joy just to be in the presence of this man whom God blessed with an unusual gift for making others feel cherished. We will miss that sunny smile that always lit up Jack's face, his wonderful hugs, and his gentle spirit that drew so many to our church. We thank God for making such a kind soul as Jack Stow, and for letting us know and love this precious and finest of men. God must certainly have a new angel in Jack! With much love and our deepest sympathy, Anne, Charlie, and Joanna Meyer

Anne, Charlie, & Joanna Meyer - April 28, 2015 at 12:38 AM

TC

“ Such a joy reading all the comments about Jack and wow how true they were to the person he was. My most favorite memory is how he loved my "flan" at the Castleberry Reunions. He made me feel welcomed and he was one of the few that actually knew what it was! I was always welcomed at their home in my early days dating David. Even during his last days he still left us with a great Stow story about the small log house that is now in the Atlanta Historical Society! Jack please say howdy howdy to PawPaw and make sure he found his way to God's side! We shall see you in heaven. Oh and how about you put in a good word for all of us hear on earth and kick evil's butt!

Tania Castleberry - April 27, 2015 at 06:06 PM

KA

“ Where do we start? We know that you would have finished that sentence a long time ago, Jack! Never a loss for words, so positive and strong. We are blessed to have had the time with you and even more that Kelley is part of your family. We enjoyed the stories and actually even getting to watch you "in action" hob nobbing with all your clients at Talledega and see how you roll. There is not another Jack Stow and no one will ever compare. Your charisma, sense of humor, and your LOVE of life is one to be duplicated. Connie and Chris we will be with you in good times and bad, especially as we are family. Family takes care of family!! We were "tickled pink" as you would say, to enjoy the "Special Event" a few weeks ago. You will always be in our hearts! Hopefully, you have not opened that book yet and started taking notes, but knowing you... that was one of your first missions! Knowing you was one of the best times of our lives!

Love, Ed, Karen and Kristen Laukes

Karen - April 27, 2015 at 03:41 PM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Jack Stow.*



April 27, 2015 at 02:20 PM



“ *Jimmy and Evelyn Phillips purchased the Sacred Cross Bouquet for the family of Mr. Jack Stow.*



Jimmy and Evelyn Phillips - April 27, 2015 at 01:09 PM



“ *Oh how we loved Jack and how he loved life. He was full of joy and light. Jack had a story for all occasions. Our greatest remememberances of Jack are how much he loved and adored Connie and Chris. They were his life. Jack , we will miss your smile, your jokes and stories, but most of all your sweet spirit. Connie and Chris you have all our love and prayers during this most difficult time. May God bless you with the peace that passes all understanding and overwhelming love and compassion. May God bless you both.*

Love, Roger and Lynn

Lynn Reisert - April 26, 2015 at 08:30 PM

CC

“ I always looked forward to seeing Jack's wonderful smile at Northbrook. . He was always so friendly and upbeat. Once, years ago, I playfully pretended like I was going to punch his arm and that became a ritual between us, where he would pretend to shrink away at my approach with a defensive gesture and huge grin on his face. We have lost a fine man much too soon, and he will be missed by so many people. Rest in peace, dear Jack.

Connie Cheek - April 26, 2015 at 07:05 PM

GR

“ It was a pleasure to know Jack as a friend and co-worker. He was always smiling and had a twinkle in his eyes and had a way of making you feel happy. Jack and I worked together on customer events and Steel School and I learned so much from him. He will be missed by so many, but he left us all with great memories.

Gaye Reeves - April 26, 2015 at 05:21 PM

AW

“ Connie,
Jack was the person who went out of his way to make the new people feel welcomed into the family. Always smiling, winking and happy, he could bring a smile to your face in seconds. The world was better with him in it and his presence will be greatly missed. Thinking of you and Chris. All our love, Webb Family

allie and scott webb - April 25, 2015 at 05:19 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Jack Stow.*



April 25, 2015 at 11:37 AM



“ *Connie and Chris, I shall always remember Jack's unselfish, giving spirit. He always wanted to make everyone else feel good. In my last visit he wanted to tell me how much he had enjoyed my Daddy over the years. He couldn't have left me with a better memory. Jack loved you both so much. Lean on Jesus and your friends and family. I'm praying for comfort and peace. You took care of Jack well. I love you, my sweet cousin! Dianne Boone and family*

Dianne Boone - April 24, 2015 at 05:58 PM