



## Mr. Jerry K. Hood

May 25, 1941 - May 6, 2015

Jerry K. Hood, age 73, of Canton, GA, passed away on May 6, 2015. Jerry retired in 2002 after 37 proud and happy years of service in the United States Public Health Service. He was an active and dedicated member of St. Aidan's parish and his community. He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth "Betty" Hood, two sisters, Jacque Magnuson and her husband, Larry, and Donna Rae Schulz, one step-daughter, Jennifer Daniels and her husband, Frank, one step-son, Jonathan Pedersen and his wife, Amy, and five grandchildren, Michael, Brian, and Kevin Daniels, and Caroline and Jack Pedersen. A memorial mass will be held on Monday, May 11th at 2:00pm at St. Aidan's Episcopal Church in Alpharetta, GA. The Reverend Robert Wood, rector at St. Aidan's, and the Reverend James Stutler, rector at St. Clement's Episcopal Church, will officiate. Committal services will follow in St. Aidan's Episcopal Church Memory Garden. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in Jerry's memory to Emmaus House (at [www.emmaushouseatlanta.org](http://www.emmaushouseatlanta.org)) a community outreach ministry of the Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta, where he served as a passionate and committed volunteer from 2010-2014.

## Cemetery Details

### **Cremation - Northside Chapel Crematory**

12050 Crabapple Road  
Roswell, GA

## Previous Events

### **Memorial Mass**

MAY 11. 2:00 PM (ET)

St. Aidan's Episcopal Church  
13560 Cogburn Road  
Alpharetta, GA

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Jerry K. Hood*

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October 08, 2022 at 11:37 AM

GJ

“ Jerry and I were classmates in high school (Scottsbluff, NE). Rather remarkably, we met again in St. Louis, Mo., in the early 1970's. As a Public Health Advisor for the Centers for Disease Control, US Public Health Service, I was assigned to the St. Louis City Health Dept.'s STD (VD back then) Program. I heard that the CDC assignee to the TB Prevention Program was named Jerry Hood. Probably a coincidence, I thought. After all, what are the chances that 2 guys coming out of the same high school class would end up in CDC and the same program? When I asked my supervisor where this Jerry Hood came from, he mentioned Nebraska. Could it be? Went to Jerry's office --- and there he was, the big smile and all. That was the beginning of a long friendship that lasted till his passing.

Jerry and I discovered that we were kindred spirits in several areas. Three most prominent: progressive politics, Nebraska football and NCAA basketball. And while there are many memories involving these, probably our shared passion for basketball brings the biggest smile. We became big fans of the St. Louis University Billikins, going to many of their home games. And we were fortunate enough to get great tickets to the NCAA Final Four in 1973 being held in St. Louis. The four teams -- UCLA, Memphis, Providence and Indiana. Undefeated UCLA was simply unstoppable, with Bill Walton scoring 44 points (going 21 of 22 from the field) in the final against Memphis. Third place Indiana (they played a consolation game, back then) was coached by a young Bobby Knight.

Jerry was always passionate about all things in his life. The eternal optimist, he always found hope in areas where there only seemed to be despair. And he never seemed to lose that wonderful sense of humor, regardless of the situation. I will miss him. But I will never forget him.

My deepest sympathy to Betty and family. I hope your sorrow will fade and only the fondest memories of Jerry will be left in your hearts, bringing a 'Jerry' smile to your face.

*Gordon 'Flash' Joachim*

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**Gordon Joachim** - May 16, 2015 at 07:06 PM

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“ *Matthew Daniels purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Mr. Jerry K. Hood.*



**Matthew Daniels** - May 10, 2015 at 06:11 PM

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“ *O.T. & Mary Lou Blankenship, Louisville, KY purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Mr. Jerry K. Hood.*



**O.T. & Mary Lou Blankenship, Louisville, KY** - May 09, 2015 at 11:33 PM

JO

“ *Prayers and comfort to Betty, Jennifer, Frank, Michael, Brian and Kevin, Jonathan, Amy, Caroline and Jack.....Jerry.s spirit is large, and he will be watching over you all... With peace and love,  
Joanne and Ernie*



**Joanne Obrig** - May 09, 2015 at 01:41 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Jerry K. Hood.*



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May 09, 2015 at 11:56 AM



“ *Love and prayers to Betty, Jen & Frank and family, Jon & Amy and family. Hold in your hearts loving memories of Jerry. May he rest in peace. Love, Harry and Pam*

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**Harry & Pam** - May 08, 2015 at 07:17 PM



“ *Donna Schulz purchased the Sacred Garden Spray for the family of Mr. Jerry K. Hood.*



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**Donna Schulz** - May 07, 2015 at 05:40 PM