



Mr. John F. Barksdale

December 20, 1935 - July 19, 2016

John Franklin Barksdale, 80, passed away on Tuesday, July 19 after a courageous battle with prostate cancer.

John was born in Ocala, Florida, December 20, 1935 to Virgil Leondrus Barksdale and Elizabeth Smith Barksdale. He graduated from Ocala High School.

He attended South Georgia College on a football scholarship and later attended Georgia State University. He proudly served his country as a member of the U. S. Air Force, serving for four years. He worked for General Motors in Atlanta prior to settling down in Talladega, AL where he was a longtime resident. He retired and moved to Marietta, Georgia, after meeting and marrying his wife, Joanne Harding Barksdale.

In Talladega he made his career as a new car dealer at Cooley Motor Company. He served on the Talladega Airport Board for 24 years. He was president of the Talladega Kiwanis Club and Talladega Junior Chamber of Commerce. In Marietta, John was a member of First Baptist Church Roswell where he and Joanne were very involved in their Sunday School class and he also served as President, Vice President, and Treasurer of the class over the years.

John was a devoted Alabama fan. At a restaurant, he would give "Roll Tide" as his name and would enjoy hearing them shout it out when his order was ready.

Proceeded in death by his parents, a brother, Virgil Hulon Barksdale, and his sister, Margaret Barksdale Banks. John and Joanne brought together two families and is survived by his wife, Joanne, daughter, Tracy (Mark) Rheudasil of Atlanta; his sons John Thomas (Melanie) Barksdale of Madison, AL.; and Brian Barksdale (Janie Molliston) of Birmingham, AL ; daughters, Susan (John) Falls of Huntsville, AL; Laura Kehr of Kennesaw, GA; Becky (Scott) Egan of Alpharetta, GA; and Holly (Grant) Hudson of Ackworth, GA. Together they have nine grandchildren, Tyler Barksdale, Tanner Barksdale, Maggie Rheudasil, Jennifer Falls, Dylan Kehr, Ethan Kehr, Sabrina Kehr, Camilla Brock and Macy Brock.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, July 21, 2016 at First Baptist Church Roswell at 3 o'clock. Family will welcome visitors 1:00-3:00 prior to service. Burial will be Friday morning at 9:30 at Georgia National Cemetery in Canton, Georgia.

In lieu of flowers, charitable donations can be made to the American Cancer Society. Northside Chapel Funeral Directors, Roswell, GA. 770-645-1414. www.northsidechapel.com

Cemetery Details

Georgia National Cemetery

5580 Knox Bridge Hwy.,
Canton, GA

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 21. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church of Roswell
710 Mimosa Blvd.
Roswell, GA

Service

JUL 21. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. John F. Barksdale*

October 08, 2022 at 11:37 AM



“ *My sincere condolence to the Barksdale family. Soon all suffering will be a thing of the past (Rev.21:3,4). We can be thankful that God feels for us in our pain (1Pet.5:7) and promises to resurrect all those sleeping in death(Isa.26::19). I hope this is comforting to you all.*

PC - July 21, 2016 at 06:53 AM



“ *John has touched the lives of so many. He was a Faithful Friend and will be missed at Roswell First Baptist Church. He will continue to be remembered and loved. My prayers are with Joanne and all of you who loved him as father, stepfather, grandfather or friend. May God Bless and Comfort each and every one of you and help you rejoice that John has no more pain. Hugs and Blessings, Barbara Hughes*

Barbara A. Hughes - July 21, 2016 at 06:13 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. John F. Barksdale.*



July 21, 2016 at 12:57 AM

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“ So sorry for your loss.i will keep you all in my thoughts & prayers.



BelindaLockart - July 20, 2016 at 05:52 PM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. John F. Barksdale.



July 20, 2016 at 03:45 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. John F. Barksdale.



July 20, 2016 at 01:15 PM

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“ Portia lit a candle in memory of Mr. John F. Barksdale



Portia - July 20, 2016 at 10:41 AM