



## Mr. Marty H. McCommon

January 20, 1933 - December 23, 2021

Marty H. McCommon, age 88, of Marietta, Georgia, passed away Thursday, December 23, 2021.

Marty invested more than 60 years in a career that helped people and organizations be more successful. After his discharge from the U.S. Air Force in 1952, he went to work as a ramp service agent for Delta Air Lines and retired 41 years later as the director of leadership development for the airline. After his retirement from Delta Air Lines, he immediately began working with Southern Polytechnic State University, developing and teaching leadership programs. In 1995 he began serving as the executive director of the Atlanta Quality Resource Center at the Metro Atlanta Chamber of Commerce. He served in several roles with the Metro Atlanta Chamber of Commerce until his retirement in 2014. He also served as executive director of the Southern Center for Organizational Excellence at Georgia State University.

He was a committed Christian, serving in numerous positions as a layperson in the church, including chair of deacons three times, Sunday School teacher, and messenger to the Southern Baptist Convention's annual meeting several years.

Marty was a devoted family man who enjoyed spending time with his children and grandchildren. He and his wife loved traveling the world. Among their

many trips, the couple walked the Great Wall of China, climbed the ruins of Machu Picchu in Peru, took a hot-air balloon ride over the Serengeti National Park in Africa, and visited palaces and churches along the Volga River in Russia.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 57 years, Sarah Alexander McCommon. He is survived by his son Mark (Pilar) McCommon; daughter, Margaret McCommon Dempsey Colson (Keith Colson); four grandchildren, Anna Dempsey McIlldoon, William Dempsey, Michelle McCommon, and Andrew McCommon; and three great grandchildren, Clayton McIlldoon, Caroline McIlldoon, and Elizabeth McIlldoon.

A private service of remembrance for family will be held at First Baptist Church, Roswell, Georgia. Interment will follow at Green Lawn Cemetery in Roswell, Georgia. To view the livestreaming of the service on Monday, Jan. 3, at 11 a.m., go to [fbroswell.org](http://fbroswell.org) and click on the quick link for "live broadcast."

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Marty H. McCommon*

October 08, 2022 at 11:37 AM



“ *Al and Elaine Simpson purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Marty H. McCommon.*



**Al and Elaine Simpson** - December 31, 2021 at 02:34 PM



“ *Your Metro Atlanta Chamber friends purchased the Beautiful Whisper for the family of Mr. Marty H. McCommon.*



**Your Metro Atlanta Chamber friends** - December 30, 2021 at 04:40 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Marty H. McCommon.*



December 30, 2021 at 11:49 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Marty H. McCommon.*



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December 30, 2021 at 07:55 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Marty H. McCommon.*



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December 29, 2021 at 11:51 AM



“ *Marty was a great role model. Very kind and compassionate and always willing to help. He was the perfect person for leadership development. My condolences to his family.*

*Kay Blank*

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**Kay Blank** - December 29, 2021 at 10:11 AM

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“ My condolences to Margaret, Mark and the entire family. I had the pleasure of working with Marty in the Delta Marketing department. Marty and several others and I enjoyed our Friday lunches out at a local Mexican restaurant every week. After he retired and later when I retired, I had the opportunity to work with Marty again for a few months at the Atlanta Chamber of Commerce. Following that we often got together for lunch, always at a Mexican restaurant which Marty really enjoyed! For me, and many others, Marty was a wonderful mentor and a terrific role model. He had a great sense of humor, was caring and always willing to listen and offer input and advice. When I lost both of my parents within 80 days in 2007, Marty was right there for me and was so helpful and compassionate; I will never forget his kindness. I will miss my great friend Marty, as will many others.

Gary J. Xantho

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**Gary J. Xantho** - December 28, 2021 at 04:42 PM

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“ Always a gentleman and the definition of a class act. You could ask Marty a question and know he would give you his undivided attention. Soft landings at Heavens gate Marty.

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**Vaughn Stinson** - December 28, 2021 at 04:37 PM

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“ During all the years we worked for Delta I always admired Marty for being so dependable. Anytime Marty was given an assignment you could always depend on Marty to get the job done. He was a great asset to the Delta Sales organization  
Bob Coggin

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**Bob Coggin** - December 28, 2021 at 03:05 PM