



Rev. James A. Budd, Sr.

April 18, 1922 - May 14, 2013

The Reverend James A. (Jimmy) Budd, 91, of Union Hill Community, Canton, GA passed away May 14, 2013 after an extended illness.

He was born April 28, 1922 in Mobile, AL the youngest of seven children. Rev. Budd was the son of the late John W. Budd and Susie C. Budd. He served as a United Methodist minister in the North Georgia Conference for over 60 years.

Rev. Budd served in the US Navy during WWII in the Seabees, serving Guadalcanal and other battles in the Pacific Campaign. After the war he completed his undergraduate degree from Duke University and went on to receive his Masters of Divinity from Yale University.

After graduation he joined the North GA conference and was appointed to organize and build St. Mark United Methodist in Augusta. He went on to serve a number of churches in and around the metro Atlanta area including Sardis Methodist, St. John United Methodist, First United Methodist Church of Marietta, North Springs United Methodist, and Union Hill United Methodist.

Jimmy Budd will be remembered as an avid fisherman who loved nothing better than to share this experience with everyone he met. Through his love of fishing and the hundreds of trips he organized, lifelong friendships were made and the love of Christ was spread. He used these opportunities to bring people together and draw them into the body of Christ. He was truly a "fisher of men."

He was preceded in death by his wife of 44 years, Bobbye Jean Budd, the

mother of his three children and his grandson, Adam James Budd. He is survived by his devoted wife, Marlene Ledford Budd of Union Hill, a son James A. Budd, Jr. of Robbinsville, NC, daughters and sons-in-law, Nancy and Bruce Wauer of Whitefish, MT, and Mary Sue and Tony Harbin of Dalton; Seven grandchildren, two great grandsons, brothers-in-law and sister-in-law, and many nieces and nephews.

Services will be held Monday at 11 am at North Springs United Methodist, Roswell. Pastor Brad Anderson and special nephew, Warren C. Budd will officiate. Burial will be at 1:00 pm Union Hill Cemetery in Canton.

The family will receive friends Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8pm at Northside Chapel, Crabapple Rd. Roswell.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to the Jimmy Budd Memorial fund at Union Hill. 2000 A J Land Road, Canton, GA 30115 or to Foundation of Wesley Woods, 1817 Clifton Road, Atlanta, GA 30329.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 19. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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

Visitation

MAY 19. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Service

MAY 20. 11:00 AM (ET)

North Springs United Methodist Church
7770 Roswell Road
Atlanta, GA

Tribute Wall



“ *Rev. James A. Budd, Sr.*

October 08, 2022 at 11:37 AM



“ *Jimmy was truly a fisherman of men.
My wife Jackie worked with him for a number of years at North Springs. They worked together at numerous weddings and had some incredible stories to tell about their experiences. I wanted them to publish a book accounting their stories.
My favorite was when Jimmy was performing a garden wedding and they had a tent set up just in case of rain. When the ceremony started a huge storm started. Everything was fine until the two family dogs came running into the tent soaking wet.##imported-begin##Ben Hollingsworth##imported-end##*

May 24, 2013 at 05:39 PM



“ *Mary Sue,
I just wanted you to know that I am thinking of you and praying for you and your family on this very difficult day.##imported-begin##Elaine Larmon##imported-end##*

May 20, 2013 at 02:36 PM



“ My Daddy taught me how to catch bass, bream, sac-au-lait and gar ...and how to cast a fresh water reel and fish with a cane pole, regret mistakes, how to figure a math problem, and how to be a man. I love my Daddy to this day.

*Jimmy Budd, my other father, taught me how to :
catch snapper, dolphin, Spanish mackerel, sailfish, grouper, croakers, trigger fish, needle fish, yellow tail, amberjack, shark, bonita, king mackerel, blue channel catfish, gold shiners, how to clean 'em, cook 'em, what to do in a heavy swell, to throw up at the stern not the bow, not to throw rocks at alligators, ...how important the Bible was, what Jesus would do, how to give prayer, how to be forgiving, to be inquisitive, to study, to exercise often, ...how to appreciate peanut soup if that's what they served you,and how to sacrifice to the Lord, even if it meant you missed your own family.*

The fishing parts were the easiest lessons.

Saint Peter now has another fisherman to trade stories with, and it puts a big smile on my face to think of that meeting and the stories they are sharing. Someday, I hope just to cut bait for them both...##imported-begin##CuznDick##imported-end##

May 18, 2013 at 01:45 AM



“ So sorry to hear about the passing of your sweet sweet father. What a blessing he was to so many people. He will truly be missed. So sorry I cannot be at the funeral but you will be in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Julie Bertsche Meeks##imported-end##

May 17, 2013 at 05:12 PM



“ I was very sorry to hear about your loss. I will keep all of you in my prayers. He was a special person that touched many lives in a positive way. I feel fortunate to have known him. I'm sure he has a big fish on the line as we speak.##imported-begin##Bill Sturkie##imported-end##

May 17, 2013 at 03:37 PM



“ My first Pastor - Preacher "Jimmy" - good fishing in heaven. Bless Nancy and Mary Sue..!##imported-begin##Davis E. McCollum##imported-end##

May 17, 2013 at 11:21 AM



“ I am so sorry to hear of his passing.He was a great fishing buddy on trips to Florida. He was also so kind to marry my daughter Susan in Decatur. He was a great man who told me of the many missions he had accomplished in his life. May God bless him and his family and may he rest in peace.##imported-begin##Tom Carroll##imported-end##

May 16, 2013 at 06:55 AM



“ I pray God will be with the Budd family during this sad time. I will never forget Jimmy, he was such a dear, wonderful man - one of a kind. So many wonderful memories. Thinking of you all.##imported-begin##Janet Bertsche##imported-end##

May 15, 2013 at 03:50 PM