



Mr. Thomas C. Burrell Jr.

January 19, 1936 - August 13, 2022

Mr. Thomas C. Burrell, Jr., husband, father and grandfather of Duluth, Georgia, entered fully into the presence of the Lord on Saturday, August 13, 2022 at the age of 86. Tom was born on January 19, 1936 in Cuthbert, Georgia, the son to the late Thomas Carter Burrell, Sr. and the late Alice Merle Burrell.

Tom met the love of his life, Marel Burrell, at First Baptist Church Atlanta in 1962. They started dating in December of that year. Tom and Marel were engaged in May 1963 and were married that same year in October. They celebrated 58 wonderful years of marriage, and Tom was always one of the first to brag about how many years they had been married when he met someone new. The marriage was blessed with two loving children, Ken and Jennifer. Tom and Marel loved each other dearly, and Marel commented shortly after his passing that they always did everything together, and they did. Shortly before Tom's passing, he turned to Marel in bed one evening and said he wished they could just go together.

Tom worked for the United States Postal Service for 34 years. He enjoyed working as a letter carrier most of all, and even after working in management, he stepped down to serve as a letter carrier again until he retired in 1997. Tom knew the people on his mail route well, and he was the type of letter carrier who would deliver mail directly to his customers' doors if they were elderly or

sick. Tom also never met a stranger so his job as a letter carrier was a perfect fit for him as he got to interact with many different people. It was always clear how much the people on Tom's route loved him as every Christmas the dining room table was filled with baked goodies and gifts from the customers on his route.

In his free time, Tom enjoyed tinkering with computers, and he still enjoyed the latest technology up until his passing. He was also a man who could fix just about anything on a car or in a house which served him well through the years. His children would often contact him for help if something went wrong with their own cars or in their own houses, and he usually knew just what to do to fix the problem.

Tom's father was a Baptist minister, and so he had fond memories of growing up in the church as a pastor's son. During his last days, he mentioned that he was baptized by his father in the "mill creek pond" out back of Duharts Baptist Church in Stapleton, Georgia. His father, Reverend T.C. Burrell, served as pastor of this church from July 1941 until September 1948. After Tom's passing, the family contacted the church for more information and discovered from church records that Tom was baptized August 1948, the same month he met his Savior face to face 74 years later!

Tom is survived by his wife, Marel Burrell; two children: son, Ken Burrell (Britt), of Marietta, Georgia; daughter, Jennifer King (Andy), of Milton, Georgia; seven grandchildren: Carter, Charlie, James, Mac, Annabelle, Sophia and Drew; brother, Charles Burrell, of Milledgeville, Georgia, and many more loving family and friends. Along with his parents, he is preceded in death by his brother, Adrian Burrell.

The family will receive friends at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 10, 2022 at Northside Chapel at 12050 Crabapple Road, Roswell, Georgia. The funeral

service to honor the life of Thomas C. Burrell, Jr. will be held at 11:00 a.m. immediately following the visitation. A private family interment will be held following the funeral.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that a donation be made in memory of Tom to Duharts Baptist Church. Donations can be made payable to Duharts Baptist Church and mailed to Jennifer King c/o Northside Chapel at 12050 Crabapple Road, Roswell, Georgia 30075 for the family to distribute directly to the church. If a donation is preferred to be made privately, it can be sent directly to the church treasurer at 8078 Clark's Mill Road, Louisville, Georgia 30434. For more information on this active church established in 1847 and mentioned above, please visit <https://www.hrcga.org/church/duharts-baptist>

Previous Events

Funeral Service

SEP **10**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Thomas C. Burrell Jr.*

October 08, 2022 at 11:37 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Thomas C. Burrell Jr..*



September 06, 2022 at 12:01 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Thomas C. Burrell Jr..*



September 06, 2022 at 09:25 AM

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“ Tom was a good and honest man and a true friend in the broadest sense of the word. I cherish the memories of the many good times Bill and I shared with Tom and Marel for over 50 years. Did we have fun? You betcha. Sometimes you would feel as though you were caught up in one of those old screwball comedies. The rescue and transportation of a snowman in Tom's Travelall was one such time. We came upon this lonesome snowman at New Found Gap in the Smokies and took it back to our campsite in Elkmont. Since it had not snowed at our elevation we had the only snowman in the campground.

Tom may be gone but he will live on in the memories of the people he met along the way.

Mary Case

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