



## Mr. William Wayne Crawford

March 2, 1944 - February 26, 2022

William W. (Bill) Crawford, 77, of Cumming, GA, passed away February 26, 2022 at home surrounded by his children, grandchildren, & friends. Born on March 2, 1944 in Coward, SC, the son of Adger and Carrie Belle Crawford. He is preceded in death by his parents, 11 siblings, and one grandchild, Trent William Johnson. He is survived by his brother, Kenneth Crawford, children, Gregory, David, and Cindy Crawford, grandchildren, Carrie (Todd) Biesiadecki, Emily, Stephanie, and Nicholas Crawford, Lindsay, Victoria, and Jacob Johnson, and great-grandchildren, Adelyn and Georgia Biesiadecki.

Born a sharecropper's son, William graduated from J.C. Lynch High School and then served his country honorably in the United States Air Force. He enjoyed a 31 year career with UPS, retiring at age 55 as the Georgia District Customer Service Manager and Business Development Director. He enjoyed almost 20 years of building a farm from scratch in Madison, GA where the community of families & friends came to know & love him. While playing 'gentleman farmer' in Madison, he maintained his home in the Polo Fields in Cumming, GA also. He loved serving the Alpharetta United Methodist Church; leading the Board of Ushers for many years, as well as serving in many other roles at the Church. He was a member of the Alpharetta Lions Club. Additionally, Bill was a Mason & life-long Shriner. With his honest & humble nature, he loved offering guidance to others and had a true Servant's heart.

Funeral Service: 12:00pm, Saturday, March 5, 2022, Tabernacle Freewill Baptist Church, Coward, SC

Internment: Immediately following service, St. Paul United Methodist Church's cemetery, Coward, SC

Visitation: 6:00 - 8:00pm, Friday, March 4, 2022, Carolina Funeral Home, Scranton, SC &

11:00am-12:00pm at Tabernacle Freewill Baptist Church

Memorial Service: 3:00pm, Saturday, March 12, 2022, Alpharetta First United Methodist Church, Alpharetta, GA

In lieu of flowers, if desired, please make donations to Abba House Ministry (Women & Children support), Perry, GA or to the Shriner's Children's Hospital.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Paul United Methodist Church

Coward, SC

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 4. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Carolina Funeral Home, LLC  
215 US-378  
Scranton, SC 29591  
(843) 389-3780

## Visitation

MAR 5. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Tabernacle Freewill Baptist Church  
219 E. Friendfield Rd.  
Coward, SC 29530

## Funeral Service

MAR 5. 12:00 PM (ET)

Tabernacle Freewill Baptist Church  
219 E. Friendfield Rd.  
Coward, SC 29530

## Memorial Service

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MAR 12. 3:00 PM (ET)

Alpharetta First United Methodist Church  
69 North Main Street  
Alpharetta, GA

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. William Wayne Crawford*

October 08, 2022 at 11:37 AM



“ *I remember Bill as being the lead usher in the balcony where we first met. Duane and I liked to sit in the balcony for the 11:00 service following Sunday school. When Bill's little grandson was ill, I always asked him how he was doing. Bill was grateful for the concern and would tell me how he was doing. I was so impressed with the friendliness and dignity that the ushers added to the worship services. Bill always had a smile on his face. I decided I wanted to be a member of the ushers. I had always been in a choir and never on the ushering side. I discovered that our head usher, Bill Baldwin, and Bill Crawford worked together. I know Bill Baldwin relied on his best friend for everything, and Bill Crawford was always there to assist. I can't say enough about Bill Crawford. He will be greatly missed by his family and his friends. Rest in Peace, my friend.*

*Barbara Dagley*

Barbara Dagley - March 11, 2022 at 12:02 PM



“ *David, Greg, Cindy purchased the With Distinction for the family of Mr. William Wayne Crawford.*



David, Greg, Cindy - March 10, 2022 at 01:58 PM

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“ I have thought long and hard about Bill since his passing and about the hours of conversations and the hundreds and hundreds of laughs we had along the way. You know that high pitched laugh he had when he was really tickled. I can hear it now and will dearly miss that laugh. As his phone center manager, we spent countless hours together creating solutions, writing presentations, interviewing and hiring people, and yes, even letting some go. But Bill always had a way of making everything feel right and good no matter whether it was a good or bad situation. Even with some really goofy decisions, he still made me understand what would have been a BETTER decision and I ALWAYS LEARNED from those discussions. We often talked about how nice it would be to ditch the suits and wears jeans to work. He was able to do that for the last 20 years as the gentleman farmer. I thought about him a lot when, in my last three years at UPS, I wore jeans to work and thought Bill would have liked this! Just before going to the hospital, he sent me a text in response to my text to him. . It simply ended with “ I know you will be there for me as I would be for you. Now and always !”  
You are always in my heart Bill.  
Jeff

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Jeff Swilling - March 09, 2022 at 06:52 PM



“ Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Mr. William Wayne Crawford.



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March 04, 2022 at 12:41 PM

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“Dad will be dearly missed by us all. He touched and improved many, many lives all across the United States and World via his work with United Parcel Service, Lions Clubs International, and as a Mason and Shriner. All of us kids, his Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren were truly blessed to have him as a Father and Grandfather. I was particularly blessed to have served along side of Dad on the Board of Ushers of Alpharetta First United Methodist Church for over twenty years. Our family always enjoyed gathering together with Dad for Dinner on Saturday nights and lunch on Sunday. Many life lessons were learned from him around the dinner table and working in the yard or on the farm. We love you Dad and always will.



David Crawford - March 03, 2022 at 11:07 AM



“Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mr. William Wayne Crawford.



March 03, 2022 at 06:46 AM



“Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. William Wayne Crawford.



March 02, 2022 at 11:26 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Mr. William Wayne Crawford.



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March 02, 2022 at 08:54 AM



“ *What a tremendous loss! Bill was a sweet, kind man who had great love for his family and a generous spirit. In our last conversation we talked about his illness and how the worst thing that could happen would actually be the best - to be reunited with his brother and loved ones and be with Jesus. I will look forward to seeing him again but will miss him until that day. Wish deep sympathy to the entire family - Heidi*

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**Heidi** - March 02, 2022 at 07:55 AM



“ *Dad exemplified the qualities a father should be, as modeled perfectly by our Father God; which is 'love'. His smile, laughter, guidance, love, grace, & forgiveness will forever be remembered & cherished. I love you, Daddy!*

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**Gregory Crawford** - March 02, 2022 at 02:38 AM