



John "Sonny" Stephens

June 18, 1945 - October 23, 2017

MR. JOHN WILLIE STEPHENS OF GAINESVILLE ANSWERED HIS CALL TO GLORY AT THE AGE OF 72 ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2017 AT SEASONS HOSPICE NORTH GEORGIA INPATIENT CENTER IN CUMMING, GA FOLLOWING AN EXTENDED ILLNESS. JOHN WILLIE WAS KNOWN AS SONNY TO SOME AND JAKE TO OTHERS.

JOHN WILLIE WAS BORN ON JUNE 18, 1945 TO THE LATE JOHNSON AND LILLIE MAE STEPHENS. JOHN WILLIE GRADUATED 2ND IN HIS CLASS. HE ENJOYED READING MYSTERY THRILLERS. HIS FAVORITE AUTHOR WAS JAMES PATTERSON. JOHN WILLIE WORKED IN THE POULTRY INDUSTRY FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS. HE WAS ALSO WELL KNOWN IN THE COMMUNITY AS THE INCOME TAX GUY AND A CROSSWORD PUZZLE ENTHUSIAST. JOHN WILLIE WAS JUST A GOOD GUY THAT ENJOYED HAVING FUN. HE SPREAD JOY, LAUGHTER AND TALKED TRASH TO ALL WHO KNEW HIM. HE OFTEN SPOKE IN TONGUES WHEN EXCITED. HE LOVED HIS DAUGHTER AND GRANDCHILDREN AND WAS PROUD OF THEM ALL. JOHN WILLIE WILL BE GREATLY MISSED BY HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

JOHN WILLIE WAS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HIS PARENTS LISTED ABOVE; WIFE, ANNIE L. STEPHENS; BROTHER, JACK C STEPHENS; SISTERS, CHRISTINE (EUGENE) ROWE AND DORA LEE DEMORY. HIS LEGACY WILL LIVE ON THROUGH HIS DAUGHTER, BEVERLY STEPHENS-HESTER; GRANDCHILDREN, INDIA HESTER, DEMETER

HESTER AND ZARINA CORNELIUS OF DETROIT, MI; LOVING FRIEND AND COMPANION, MATTIE CAROL LEE; SISTER, EMMA (HERBERT) HUNTER; BROTHERS, CHARLES (JOYCE ANN) WRIGHT STEPHENS, FREDDY LEE (MOZELL) STEPHENS, KENNETH (SHARON) STEPHENS, WILLIE (EVION) STEPHENS, BOBBY STEPHENS AND A HOST OF NIECES AND NEPHEWS INCLUDING CAREGIVER, ALISA STEPHENS BURTON.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **27**. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Antioch Baptist Church
1010 Mill Street
Gainesville, GA 30501
<http://antiochbaptistgainesville.com>

Service

OCT **28**. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



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