



Mr. George Willard Sanders

January 20, 1931 - August 17, 2016

George Willard Sanders, age 85, passed away at his home in Albany, GA on Wednesday, August 17.

Originally from Tallahassee, FL, George joined the U.S. Navy in 1948 and served on tours in Korea and during Vietnam. He retired 24 years later at the rank of Lt. Commander. He went on to work for Flint Industrial Company, and retired as the company's president in 1998. Along with a strong work ethic came a strong commitment to service. George served on the board of the United Way of Southwest Georgia and many others around the community, and he was a 50 year member of the Shriners. George was a long time deacon of Radium Springs Baptist Church in Albany, sang in the choir, and served on various committees in the church.

George was an avid outdoorsman and gardener. He grew up fishing on Lake Jackson and the Ochlocknee River north of Tallahassee, and later had a house on Lake Blackshear from where he'd regularly supply catfish for fish fries at Radium Springs Baptist. He hunted birds in the fall and winter and planted a large vegetable garden each spring and summer. He loved fresh tomato sandwiches and made homemade pepper sauce and squash relish. George is preceded in death by his wife, Gwendolyn McCafferty Sanders; brothers, Kenneth and Fred Sanders, and sister, Reba Sanders Manor. He is survived by his daughter, Myra Dawkins and son, Keith (Patti) Sanders; his sister, Pat Rivers; grandchildren, Ryan (Brannon) Dawkins, Mindi (Jeff) Taylor, Erin Dawkins, Halee Sanders, and Kyle Sanders, and great-grandchildren,

Ava Taylor, Anderson Taylor, Oliver Dawkins, and Bennett Dawkins along with many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be held at Kimbrell- Stern in Albany, GA on Sunday, August 21 from 4:00 – 6:00 PM. Funeral Services will be on Monday, August 22 at 2:00 PM at Radium Springs Baptist Church. In lieu of flowers, the family asks donations be made to Albany Community Hospice, 320 Foundation Ln, Albany, GA 31707 or The Wounded Warrior Project, www.woundedwarriorproject.org. To share a memory with The Sanders Family or to sign our online guestbook please visit www.kimbrellstern.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **21**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Kimbrell-Stern
1503 Dawson Road
Albany, GA 31707
(229) 883-4152
<https://www.kimbrellstern.com?>

Funeral Service

AUG **22**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Radium Springs Baptist Church
2402 Roxanna Road
Albany, GA 31705

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. George Willard Sanders*

May 22, 2023 at 10:29 AM



“ *Mr. George Willard Sanders*

December 24, 2022 at 02:54 AM



“ *Much love to Erin and family , Debbie Hambley, Carolyn Hatcher and Verna Hambley*

Debbie Hambley - August 22, 2016 at 05:24 PM



“ *Myra, I am so sorry about the loss of your Father. Prayers are with you and your family. God bless you all. Joy Register*

Joy Register - August 22, 2016 at 02:11 PM



“ *We know that Mr. Sanders will be greatly missed but we pray today is a celebration of a great man who influenced your lives profoundly. May God's peace and comfort surround you during this difficult time of loss. We love you, Ryan and Brannon!
Jeremy and Becky Rogers*

Becky Rogers - August 22, 2016 at 09:13 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. George Willard Sanders .*



August 21, 2016 at 12:24 PM



“ *Adelle, Adam, and Jaime Kuzmiak purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Mr. George Willard Sanders .*



Adelle, Adam, and Jaime Kuzmiak - August 21, 2016 at 11:23 AM



“ *George was one of the customers and friend who would stop by the East side Toyota dealership and visit and sometimes do business. I stood on the front entrance of the store and watched a tornado touch his new building across the dunes and skip over towards P & G. Somethings you never forget and George was also one of those memories. Great Gentleman. A pleasure to know. "B.B." Burcham*

Bryan Burcham - August 21, 2016 at 08:57 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mr. George Willard Sanders .*



August 21, 2016 at 05:34 AM

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“ *Myra and Keith, your dad was a great man, loved and thought highly of by so many. Prayers for comfort and peace to you all.*

Norma (Ussery) Wilson.

Norma Wilson - August 20, 2016 at 01:16 PM

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“ *Peggy R. & Liz Manley lit a candle in memory of Mr. George Willard Sanders*



Peggy R. & Liz Manley - August 20, 2016 at 04:26 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. George Willard Sanders .*



August 19, 2016 at 08:35 PM