



## John David Herndon, Jr. Obituary

April 27, 1919 - February 14, 2011

Mr. Herndon was born to the late John David Herndon, Sr. and Flonnie Beasley Herndon on April 27, 1919 in Durham, North Carolina. He was a graduate of Lowes Grove High School in Durham and attended North Carolina State University. He was a veteran of World War II having served in both the Army Corps of Engineers in North Africa and Italy and later in the Air Force. After returning home from service, he married Mary Edna Young of Americus, Georgia on March 22, 1946. They moved to Albany that same year. He worked as a surveyor for Marbury Engineering Company until his retirement in 1981. He came out of retirement and worked as a school crossing guard at the corner of Dawson Road and Baldwin Drive for many years until poor health forced him to retire again. Mr. Herndon was a member of First Baptist Church of Albany for over 60 years where he served as a deacon and a youth and nursery Sunday school teacher. He joined First United Methodist Church of Albany in 2007. He was a former member of the Exchange Club of Albany. Mr. Herndon was an avid Atlanta Braves and Georgia Bulldogs fan. He was also a fan of stock car racing having co-owned a stock car many years ago. In its early years, as a supporter of Deerfield School, he helped lay out the first football field. He was preceded in death by his parents; his sister, Jenny Herndon Drew of Americus; and his nephew, Ken Drew of Andersonville. He is survived by his wife of over 64 years, Mary Herndon; his son and daughter-in-law, David and Linda Herndon of High Rolls, New Mexico; his daughter, Becky Herndon of Albany; two

grandchildren, Kathy Herndon Peterson (Todd) of El Paso, Texas and Thomas Herndon (Laura) of Glorieta, New Mexico; and 4 great-grandchildren, Brayden, Maura, Saraya, and Kale.

# Tribute Wall

SK

“ Mrs Herndon and Becky - I am so sorry of your recent loss of husband and father. I know you must really miss him and I pray that our Lord will continue to give you peace and comfort. May his memory remind you of a life well lived in service to our Lord Jesus, family, friends and country. Thank you for sharing so kindly John with my father at Palmyra.....it was a blessing to have them together!  
In my prayers, Sally Knox

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**Sally Knox** - March 19, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ I would see Mr. John everyday as I took my boys to school. He always waved and gave us a huge smile. One year I made brownies for all the crossing guards we passed on the way to school. Mr. John was so thankful. He was a very kind and thoughtful man. Your family is in my prayers.

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**Kathy Graham** - March 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM

EH

“ Mary Edna and Becky, I was sad to hear that you lost Mr. Herndon, and wanted to express my heart felt sympathy to each of you. May God bless you at this time. Love Echo

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**Echo Barrett Hopkins** - March 01, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Mary, Becky and Family, Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. We have such fond memories of Johnny especially serving in the Preschool Ministry at FBCA.

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**Cindy and Neil Brown** - February 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM

PN

“ Sincere love and affection to the family. Mary, still miss you!!!Take care! patn

pat Norton - February 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ Mary, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. I have many happy memories of Johnny in the church nursery. I know the last few years have been hard on you; no one can understand unless they have been there. Love to you, Mary

Mary Ridley - February 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ Mrs. Herndon, Becky and family, I am sorry to hear of the passing of Mr. Herndon. Your family has always been very special to me. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers especially during this time.

Anne Marie Bishop - February 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ Bob and my thoughts and prayers are with each of you during this time. May your cup overflow with the Lord's joy and love and your heart be filled with beautiful loving memories. Please know that you will be in our prayers and thoughts often. May God bless you and strengthen you each day.

Bob and Alice White - February 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ Mrs. Herndon & Becky, We are so sorry for your loss. You and your family will be in our thoughts and prayers.

Dimi (Pace) & Thomas Williams - February 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ Please accept my most heartfelt sympathies. Keeping you in my thoughts and prayers.

Rani Pace Bailey - February 17, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ Ms. Becky, I am so sorry to hear the about the loss of your dad. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.

Lori Conrad - February 17, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ My Thoughts and Prayers are with you

Trudy Birchfield - February 17, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CA

“ Mr Herndon was such a sweet man. I worked the front desk at the Albany Police Dept when he was a crossing guard. He always had a wonderful smile when he'd come down to get his check. I've missed Mr. Herndon over the years but I know we'll be talking again.

Carol - February 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BD

“ Becky, you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. May you find comfort in the love that surrounds you today. "To be absent of the body is to be in the presence of the Lord."Your colleague and friend-Becky

Becky Dorough - February 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Dear Mrs Herndon, Becky and Family, So sorry for your loss!!!! Mr. Herndon was a great Christian man. I admired him greatly! He will be missed. My prayers are with you!!!! God bless you, Janice

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**Janice Barnes Hagberg** - February 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM

NR

“ Thinking of You! Nancy Reimer

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**Nancy Reimer** - February 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM