



John Hallard "Brother" O'Brien

September 10, 1930 - January 27, 2026

Mr. John Hallard "Brother" O'Brien, 95, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, January 27, 2026 at his residence in Albany, Georgia.

Mr. O'Brien was born in Willacoochee, Georgia in 1930. He grew up in Willacoochee and later in Decatur, Georgia. After high school he joined the Army Air Corps and served in postwar Germany, where he maintained armament on P-47 Thunderbolts. Following his discharge he began working as an installer with Western Electric (later purchased by AT & T). He stayed with them until his retirement. He is preceded in death by his parents, Naomi McCranie O'Brien and Hallard Henry O'Brien, and his wife, Dorothy Mae Lane O'Brien.

He is survived by his sister, Dorothy Ida O'Brien Lorch, three children, Brian Alan O'Brien, Henrietta O'Brien Ladson (Alan), John Hallard "L.J." O'Brien, Jr. (Sachiko), three grandchildren, William Alan Ladson, Anna Leigh Ladson (Avery Robinson), Brandon Alexander O'Brien, one great-grand

daughter, Blair Naomi Robinson, and multiple nieces and nephews.

Reverend Ronnie Kinsaul will conduct a graveside service at the Willacoochee City Cemetery at 2:00 pm on Friday , January 30, 2026. Funeral services are being provided by Kimbrell-Stern.

Cemetery Details

Willacoochee City Cemetery

McCranie Ave.
Willacoochee, GA 31650

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JAN 30. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

LB

“ I was blessed by biannual visits with John. He was always a cheerful and kind gentleman. - Lou Ann Best

Lou Ann Best - February 12 at 02:43 PM

DO

“ I love you Brother and will miss you. We shared so much growing up together. Both good times and not so good. But we always had each other. Love Dorothy.



Dorothy - January 31 at 02:08 PM

CA

“ My siblings and I have so many great memories of our Uncle John. We had wonderful times with him, engaging in so many activities. He was caring and thoughtful. And he was also the best story teller. We love and will miss you Uncle John. Rest in Peace.



Carla - January 31 at 02:03 PM

RT

“ Many years of John worked with him for years at Western Electric

Roger Todd - January 29 at 04:27 PM

YD

“ Yolanda and daughters purchased the Beautiful i
n Blue for the family of John Hallard "Brother"
O'Brien.



Yolanda and daughters - January 29 at 11:36 AM

FO

“ From Sachiko O'BRIEN planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John Hallard
"Brother" O'Brien.

From Sachiko O'BRIEN - January 29 at 09:18 AM

FO

“ From Sachiko O'BRIEN purchased the Peaceful
White Lilies Basket for the family of John Hallard
"Brother" O'Brien.



From Sachiko O'BRIEN - January 29 at 09:18 AM