



John Walter Starr, Sr. Obituary

January 5, 1922 - January 29, 2007

Mr. Starr was born in Brunswick, GA on January 5, 1922. He graduated from Albany High School in 1939 and from North Georgia College in 1942. He was a decorated pilot during World War II and flew with the 307th Bomb Group, Dutch East Indies. After the war, he attended the University of North Carolina and received a Master of Applied Social Sciences degree from Western Reserve University in Cleveland, OH. For two years he directed the Family Service in High Point, NC. He later moved to Macon to work with the Federal Probation Office. In 1952 he moved to Albany where he became a partner in Albany Typewriter Exchange. After retirement from the office equipment company, he worked in the Career Development Department of Darton College. He was a faithful member of the First United Methodist Church, a member and past president of the Fellowship Sunday School class, and a past member of the official board. He was a past member of the Daugherty County Kiwanis Club. A talented artist, he was a member, past president, and honorary life member of the Georgia Artist Guild of Albany. His paintings hang at First United Methodist Church, Darton College, and in the homes of numerous family members and friends. He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Mary Caroline Smith Starr; a sister, Mary Laura Starr Martin of Shellman; two children, Dr. John Walter Starr, III of Roanoke, VA and his wife Lynda; and Susan Starr Woolbright of Roswell, GA and her husband Ed; five grandchildren, Caroline Starr Bailey and her husband Chris, Amy Starr Redwine and her husband Derek, John Andrew Starr, Stephanie Woolbright

Libby and her husband Kasey, and Kelly Elizabeth Woolbright; and three great grandchildren, Leah Starr Bailey, Katie Starr Bailey, and Sarah Starr Redwine. Those desiring may send memorials to First United Methodist Church, PO Box 448, Albany, GA, 31702.

Tribute Wall



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“ *Mary, Providentially, I found the notice of J.W.'s death and wanted to let you know that I am holding you in my heart and prayers as you deal with your loss. I remember fondly the wonderful friendship that you shared with my parents and how very much they loved both of you. I'm grateful that I had the relatively recent visit with you at Kamp Kirksey. May the promise of Easter have deeper meaning for you this year. With love, Katherine*

Katherine Wilson Johnson - March 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ *The memorial service was so beautiful and inspiring to me. I left thinking, I want to be more like Uncle J.W. I was so touched by the beautiful eulogy. I'm so sorry for the loss of J.W., and I'll be praying for you all...*

Tom Carruth - February 08, 2007 at 12:00 AM

KD

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you!*

Katherine Gray (Kathy Dunn) - February 06, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ *I was saddened to hear of J.W.'s passing. His watercolor of the Radium Springs still hangs in our family room. May God grant you comfort in this time of loss. He was a good and dear man.*

Scott Wilson-Parsons - February 02, 2007 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ *Mary and family. Please accept our deepest symphanies in the passing of J. W. Even though we have been seperated several years our thoughts of you and J. W. have have been often. Mary, our Prayers are with you and the family.
God Bless, Charlie and Jo*

Charles & Jo Hinson - February 01, 2007 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ *J.W. Jr. was a remarkable man that I am so thankful I knew and was always proud to let someone know that we were kin. Some people ask how you are doing to be polite but J.W. Jr really cared how you were doing.He always told me he was proud of me and what I had accomplished and that always meant a lot to me over the years. Wanda and I will keep you in our prayers.*

Billy Pearl - February 01, 2007 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ *My family and I are so saddened by your loss. Mr.Starr was a great asset to me when I was attending Darton College.We are keeping you and your family in our prayers.*

Rhett H.Thompson - February 01, 2007 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ *Dear Mary.....
We are sad to hear J.W. died.
You guys were such a dear, dear couple and always put a smile on my face to see the two of you at church, etc.
Know how sad Russell and I are
for you and how much you are in our thoughts.....Love, Patsy Martin*

Patsy Martin - February 01, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ *Dear Mrs. Starr, so very sorry of Mr. Starr's passing. He was always so wonderful to me and my girls all those years at First Methodist and later at the chamber events or whenever I saw you both. Know you are in my prayers and always know what you both have meant to me all these years. Love, Lou Johnson*

Ms. Lou Johnson - January 31, 2007 at 12:00 AM

TA

“ I worked with Mr. John at Darton in the CDC. We talked about many things but mostly about the kids and grandkids he so loved. We even shared stories about dachshunds! I'm lucky to have 3 paintings by John. My favorite memory was giving John a birthday card. A few people told me it wasn't appropriate because it said "Happy birthday to a tired old wiener" and had a cute pic of a dachshund in a birthday hat. John and I always teased so I gave it to him anyway alone. He rolled with laughter. I told him others were concerned the card might offend him and suggested i not give him the card. I explained that I would never want to offend him. He laughed and said he loved it. He also said, "Don't let anybody tell you about mine and your relationship." I will always remember those words. It meant a lot to me. I love Mr. Starr and will keep Ms. Mary in my thoughts.

Tanya Anderson - January 31, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ Dear Mary,
Eddie and I are so sorry to hear about J. W. He was a very special man. We loved knowing you both while we lived in Albany. You are in my heart and prayers.
Love
Eddie and Anne

Anne and Eddie Stroud - January 31, 2007 at 12:00 AM

PJ

“ *What a beautiful service. How brave the young lady was to deliver her grandfather's Eulogy.
I had heard of J. W. before coming to Alabny to teach school in 1954. My father was principal at a school near Cordele. J. W. called on my father there. I have heard my father speak of him and would say what a Prince of a fellow J. W. was. To be called a PRINCE OF A FELLOW by my father was the highest of compliment. (Nan)
Paul and I have know Mary and J. W. for the 52 years of our marriage and have looked to their lives as examples for ourS.
How blessed you are to have loved him and how blessed we are to have known him.
Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.
Paul and Nan Jones*

Paul and Nan Jones - January 31, 2007 at 12:00 AM

KJ

“ *Brandi and family, my thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

Kim Joiner - January 31, 2007 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ *Dear Mary,
You and J.W. have mentored me for as long as I've known you. I'll be forever grateful for the unending support you've both given me over the years. J.W. inspired me through his art, his community leadership, his love for and devotion to God, his commitment to his friends, and his love for his beautiful family. He will be remembered by my family and me with much love and appreciation.
~Becky Boyd~*

Becky Boyd - January 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

NS

“ *Mary, I'm so sorry. You know you are in our prayers.*

Nancy Stephenson - January 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ *Johnny (III) and family,
My sincere condolences on the loss of your father. I pray God's
blessings of comfort and peace at this difficult time.*

*Don and JoAnn Callaway
(AHS Class of 1964)
Moultrie, GA*

Don Callaway - January 30, 2007 at 12:00 AM