



## Mr. Joseph Alton Whaley, Jr.

November 8, 1948 - October 2, 2022

Joseph (Joe) Alton Whaley, Jr, 73, of Albany, GA passed away Sunday, October 2, 2022 peacefully at his residence. Visitation for family and friends will be Thursday, October 6, 2022 from 5:00-7:00 PM at Porterfield Memorial United Methodist Church. Honoring Joe's wishes, there will be no formal funeral.

Mr. Whaley was born in Pelham, GA on November 8, 1948 to Pauline Carter Whaley and Joseph Alton Whaley. After graduating from Pelham High School in 1966, he attended and graduated from the University of Georgia with a B.S. in Chemistry in 1971. He pursued a degree in pharmacy, graduating from the University of Georgia Pharmacy School in 1973.

Joe married Sharon Waller in 1972 and moved to Albany, GA to pursue a career as a pharmacist for Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital in 1973 where he worked until 1978. He later became the Pharmacy Director for the Albany Area Mental Health Center until 1980 and then opened the pharmacy department and served as their Pharmacy Director for the Southwest GA Public Health Department until he retired in 2010.

He was a member of many pharmacy professional organizations both on local, state, and national levels and received many accolades throughout his pharmaceutical career including serving on the Georgia State Board of Pharmacy and the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy. When not working and once retired, he enjoyed fishing, hunting, traveling, and watching his beloved Georgia Bulldogs. His favorite title was Dad to his two children

and Papa to his 5 grandchildren.

Joe is preceded in death by his parents, Pauline and Alton Whaley.

Survivors include his wife Sharon Whaley, daughter Kristen Fields (Braxton), son Kevin Whaley (Laura), sister Nina Whitfield (John), brother Dan Whaley, and grandchildren Mason Fields, McKayla Fields, Maddox Fields, Madison Whaley, and Hunter Whaley.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Porterfield Memorial United Methodist Church, 2200 Dawson Road, Albany, GA 31707.

You may sign our online guestbook and share your own special thoughts with the family of Mr. Whaley by visiting Kimbrell-Stern's website at [www.kimbrellstern.com](http://www.kimbrellstern.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **6**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Porterfield United Methodist Church  
2200 Dawson Rd  
Albany, GA 31707

# Tribute Wall

SR

“ I just learned of Joe’s passing and want to extend my sympathies to his family. I worked with Joe in Albany until my retirement in 2006 and thought the world of him. May the Lord give all of you His peace and comfort.

Susan Reyher - December 03, 2022 at 07:10 AM

KI

“ 1 file added to the album Joseph Whaley Memorial Video



Kimbrell-Stern - October 10, 2022 at 09:27 AM

VB

Dear Sharron and family, I so enjoyed looking at your happy family memories through the years. May these happy memories bring you peace. I am so sorry for your loss yet he is in a better place. Hug each other and share the ❤️ love. Sincerely, Vickie Bouldin

Vickie Bouldin - October 12, 2022 at 04:10 PM

LS

Dear Sharon and family, what wonderful pictures and memories! Margo and I remember Joe as such a smart and nice guy who was so fond of you! Wow, how long ago this was when you were at Tift and he was at UGA. We continue to pray for you and your precious family.

Lynn Sheppard - October 12, 2022 at 07:00 PM

LH

“ Joe and I grew up and went to school in Pelham. We were proud members of the PHS1966 graduating class. Joe was a wonderful person who was always polite and kind to all.  
It saddens me to hear of another of my classmates passing. Sending condolences to his wife, children, sister, brother, and other family members. We all know that now he has a healed body, and walking those streets of gold.  
God will provide you with the strength you need during this sorrowful time.  
We will all miss our friend Joe.

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**La Donnia & Tommy Humphries** - October 09, 2022 at 11:08 AM

DC

“ I was sorry to hear of the passing of your husband and father. My prayers are with you at this time.  
Debbie Chambless

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**Deborah Chambless** - October 07, 2022 at 12:06 PM

GK

“ I enjoyed working with Joe in his many positions as a pharmacist. He was always an outstanding professional. Accept my condolences, Gil Klemann, MD

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**gilbert klemann** - October 06, 2022 at 09:52 AM

SK

“ I worked with joe at the health dept for many years. He was so nice and always wanted to help out. Praying the Lord will bless the family with strength, comfort and peace during the difficult days ahead.

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**Sharon R Kiger** - October 05, 2022 at 11:32 AM

TD

“ Met Joe in 1982 through the pharmaceutical business. He was a super guy and friend. This is sad news. Prayers to the family

TED DEITER - October 05, 2022 at 07:46 AM

HS

“ Sharon, Kevin and Kristen, I regret hearing the news about Joe. A great guy who loved his family. I know that you have great memories to get you thru this period of grief. I remember the times we spent with Kevin and Marcus.

Heard Slade - October 05, 2022 at 07:23 AM

Kay  
Cooper

“ Kay Cooper lit a candle in memory of Mr. Joseph Alton Whaley, Jr.



Kay Cooper - October 04, 2022 at 07:59 PM

NB

“ I loved my cousin, Joe, dearly. When we lived in Atlanta, he stopped by to see us on occasion. My favorite memory of him was at his dad's funeral. My son was a baby and started crying during the service. I was a new mom and was trying desperately to calm him. Joe turned around and patted me as us Whaleys tend to do. He told me it was okay. That it was nice to hear new life.



Nancy Blair - October 04, 2022 at 06:00 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Joseph Alton Whaley, Jr..*



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October 04, 2022 at 05:48 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Joseph Alton Whaley, Jr..*



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October 04, 2022 at 04:26 PM



“ *Joe was one of the nicest people I have met. He was always so cordial when I visited Sharon. Thoughts and hugs to this family.*

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**Nancy Reimer** - October 04, 2022 at 03:29 PM



“ *I remember calling Joe after taking one of my dog's allergy pills. Joe said I would be fine unless I started to bark. He also was the one to warn me that he saw a water moccasin in the pool and to be careful when walking our dog. Joe was a good friend and neighbor when we lived in Albany*

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**dana wetzel** - October 04, 2022 at 03:01 PM

WD

“ Here's a funny memory... When Joe was a freshman in college (and I was a senior in high school), he apparently enjoyed the freedom of being on his own, away from home. One Saturday morning, at 6:00 a.m., I heard somebody tapping on my bedroom window, which was at the very front of our house. I peeked out around the edge of my closed draperies to see my cousin Joe and another guy (his last name was Gross, if I remember correctly, but I have no recollection of his first name). I threw on some "day" clothes and let them in. They had been bored, with no plans for a Friday night, so they went out for a drive, beeping the horn and following the sound, and ended up at my house a five-hours'-drive away. We chatted quietly in the living room until my parents got up, and then Joe and his friend enjoyed breakfast and hung out at our house for awhile longer before they headed back to school.

*Prayers for peace and comfort in the days to come for all who knew and loved Joe.*

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**Wright Diana** - October 04, 2022 at 01:11 PM