



Mr. Lynn Wylie Obituary

October 2, 1936 - May 17, 2012

Melvin Lynn Wylie, of Albany, died Thursday, May 17, 2012. His Memorial Service will be held 11 AM, Monday, May 21, 2012 at Porterfield United Methodist Church with Rev. Leigh Ann Raynor and Rev. William Collins officiating. Visitation will be held 4 to 6 PM, Sunday, May 20, 2012 at Kimbrell Stern Funeral Home

Born October 2, 1936 in Rosemark, TN, to the late Melvin and Wilna Dunavant Wylie, Lynn graduated from University of Tennessee where he received his Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees in Agricultural Engineering. He was a member and officer of FarmHouse Fraternity there and remained an avid UT fan throughout his adult life. After college graduation, Lynn served in the US Army as a helicopter pilot, most notably flying the Demilitarized Zone between North and South Korea in 1962. Lynn and his wife, Kay, moved to Albany in 1966, where Lynn worked as an engineer at Lilliston Corporation. He served as Vice-President of Engineering until the plant closed in 1986, then continued his engineering career as a contract engineer with Technical Associates after that time. Known for his engineering knowledge and expertise in designing farm equipment at both Butler Manufacturing and Lilliston Corp., he also shared this knowledge with other engineers through his leadership in the American Society of Agricultural Engineers, Farm and Industrial Equipment Institute, and the American Society for Testing and Materials.

Lynn was active in the Exchange Club of Albany serving in leadership roles as

President, Vice-President and Treasurer over the years. He was selected as Mr. Exchange in 1970, and also served on the Board of Directors of the Exchange Club Fair of Southwest GA. He was actively involved with Boy Scout Troop 111 and helped build several Habitat for Humanity homes. Lynn and Kay joined Porterfield United Methodist Church in 1966 when moving to Albany, and over the years Lynn served in leadership roles as Chairman of the Board and Chairman of Board of Trustees as well as working with Porterfield's youth groups. Lynn's greatest pleasure was spending time with family and friends and he was passionate about his love of nature, especially enjoying time in the mountains, camping and hiking.

Survivors include Kay, his wife of fifty years; one daughter, Sherri Wylie and her husband, Sam Hardin of Roswell, GA; two sons, Roger Wylie and his wife, Daiva Tautvydas, of Seattle, WA, and Cliff Wylie and his wife, Neema Amatya, of Kirkland, WA. He is survived by five grandchildren, Beth Wylie-Hardin, Zach Wylie-Hardin, Asta Wylie, Aidan Wylie, Ryn Wylie; step-grandson, Sam Hardin, IV; his sister and brother-in-law, Wilna and Dick Lovett of Beaufort, SC, and sister-in-law and husband, Martha Jo and David Owen of Eads, TN; three nieces and one nephew.

Lynn was preceded in death by his parents, Wilna and Melvin Wylie, his brother, Don Wylie and sister, Karen Wylie.

If desired, in lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Porterfield United Methodist Church, 2200 Dawson Road, Albany, GA, 31707 or Albany Community Hospice, 320 Foundation Drive, Albany, GA, 31707.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 20. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Kimbrell-Stern Funeral Directors
1503 Dawson Rd.
Albany, GA 31707

Memorial Service

MAY 21. 11:00 PM (ET)

Porterfield United Methodist Church
2200 Dawson Rd
Albany, GA 31707

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Lynn Wylie Obituary*

May 22, 2023 at 01:29 AM



“ *Mr. Lynn Wylie Obituary*

December 24, 2022 at 02:54 AM



“ *I'm so sorry to hear of Mr. Wylie's passing. I knew him when his children were young and ran into him again at P&G. I had spent nights at his house with his daughter and enjoyed the family a lot. I will be praying for his family in the years to come.*

Trella Whaley - Shellman, GA - June 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Mr Lynn was one of the smartest men I have ever met in my life! He touched everyone he worked with and around. God bless his family during this time. Joe and I will be praying for you all.*

Melissa Morris - Albany, GA - work - May 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Mrs. Wylie and Cliff,
Jenny Patterson Cross let me know about Mr. Wylie's passing, and I wanted to pass along my condolences to you and your family. I'm praying for strength and peace for you during this time.
With deepest sympathy,
Heather*

Heather Glover McElroy - Avondale Estates, GA - Friend - May 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TL

“ Kay,
Bill Dorough let me know about Lynn's passing. I was very sorry to hear the news. I will always remember him as a good-humored mentor as I worked as a co-op student at Lilliston's from 1968-1972. How did we get this old? Lynn was the engineer I wanted to grow up to be and he tolerated my BS with amusement at the situations I could get myself into. I always thought of you guys as the perfect couple, and have had 3 wives myself, trying to get there! I always felt it was very special if I ran into Lynn while in Albany. I seldom go there anymore as I live in Tuscaloosa, retired, and Ma Bowen is 92 and in Spring Harbor Nursing Home in Columbus, GA. Long story, but my thoughts are with you, and I will always think of Lynn as one of those special people that you rarely get to meet in life. Tom

Tom Bowen - Tuscaloosa, AL - Worked under Lynn - May 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ Family, I would like to say that Lynn was one of the best Engineers and helpful Boss that I have had.
He helped me to be a better person and when I started working for him at Lilliston, after I left my teaching job at Albany High School, he guided me into the world of Engineering where I consider him as one of the "GREAT STANDOUTS".
He will be greatly missed.
I am truly sorry for your loss.

Bill Yielding - Athens, TN - Friend - May 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

HF

“ Kay,

I was so sorry to hear about Lynn's passing. I went to school with Lynn for the first twelve years, graduating from Bolton High School. Lynn was a great guy to be around and was loved by all. May God bless you in your time of bereavement. He is now with Jesus.

*Lynn had parkinson disease I understand, and I also have it.
God bless you,*

Harry Faulk

Harry - Bartlett, TN - Friend - May 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ Cliff,

Very sorry to hear of your father's passing. We think of you often and will keep you in our prayers. Take care, Trey and Inga Warren

Trey and Inga Warren - Fernandina Beach, FL - friend of Cliff Wylie - May 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RY

“ Kay, Ron and I were so sorry to hear about Lynn's death. Our thoughts are with you and wish you the best in the coming weeks.
Lucy

Ron and Lucy Collins - Blakely, GA - Friends for many years - May 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ A kind and gentle man that will be remembered by many in different ways.

Jim and Sue Hamm - Jupiter, FL - friends - May 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ *A fine gentleman. He will be missed.*

Chuck & Cris Darsey - Albany, GA - friends - May 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ *Wilna Jean, Kay and family. I remember Lynn's love of the farm in Rosemark and playing in the hay loft of the barn. Wilna served the best fried chicken on Sunday's for dinner. I am so glad that Lynn stayed with me for a week in Jamestown while he was building his Jim Barna log home.*
He will be missed and loved by all of his friends and family.

Bill Dunavant - Tazewell, TN - first cousin - May 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ *Dear Wylie Family,*

We are so very sad to hear of Lynn's passing. We are close friends of Lynn's son and his family (Cliff, Neema and Ryn) and know that he was a great husband, father and grandfather. We consider ourselves fortunate that we were able to be with Lynn and Kay on several occasions when they visited Seattle. Lynn's laughter and the way our kids warmed up to him will be remembered.

Love,

The Shanes - John, Kristen, Finn and Keegan

The Shane Family - Seattle, WA - Friends - May 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ Kay, I am sorry to hear of Lynn's passing. Only a few times in life do you have the opportunity to be around truly outstanding individuals. I felt Lynn was one of the best.

Buck & Cynthia Moore

Buck Moore - Clanton, AL - Colleague - May 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Kay, You and family will continue to be in our prayers. We have really enjoyed being with you and Lynn up here in the mountains. He will be missed by many. Love, Nettawyl & John

John and Nettawyl Davis - Clayton, GA - Friend - May 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ Kay and family:
My heart is heavy for the big loss you are experiencing with Lynn's death.
You were such a devoted couple and set great examples of how love
and devotion should be.
Know you are remembered at this time, by so many, many friends.
With love, Patsy Martin

Patsy Martin - Albany, GA - friend - May 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ May God's comfort and love encompass Kay and family; may the fond memories of and love for Lynn be known to all.

David and Madonna

David Roberts - Athens, GA - friend - May 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM