



Robert Duval Ellington

November 13, 1929 - August 20, 2021

Born November 13, 1929 to Ruth Dixon Ellington and Lewis Duval Ellington in Blackshear, Georgia. He excelled at academics and sports, especially basketball, and graduated from Blackshear High School. He joined the Air Force and was stationed in Japan. He served for several years, always patriotic saying that the Air Force did far more for him than he ever did for the Air Force. Following military service, he moved to Atlanta to attend Southern College of Pharmacy. He excelled at chemistry and held the office of President of his collegiate Pharmacy Honor Society. He met his beautiful wife of 64 years, Betty Lynn Barrow, in Atlanta when she walked in to her neighborhood pharmacy. She was introduced to the handsome young intern, and they were married in Atlanta in March of 1957. They moved to Albany, Georgia for him to begin work with Albany Drug Company. He was a loving and dedicated father to children Frederick, Angela, and Robert. They took many memorable vacations as a family. He had a sense of adventure and a natural interest in exploring new places - camping , amusement parks, and historical sites. He was proud to have visited every state in the USA. He was a devoted husband; he and wife Betty loved traveling and had some memorable trips. He was a conscientious, hardworking business owner. He owned Plaza Pharmacy and Northside Pharmacy in Albany, Georgia, and many years later Thrift Center Pharmacy in Camilla, Georgia. He provided the best service for his customers, and it was common to get calls nights and weekends to fill an emergency prescription. At the end of his pharmacy career, he worked for

several years at the Lee County Correctional Institute as a Pharmacist. In addition to his family, his other true love was the game of golf that he played 3 times per week at Radium Country Club. He was known to bust overhead lights in the living room in his attempt to perfect his swing. Later in life, when unable to play the game, he loved to watch the Golf Channel and every televised tournament. He especially loved to discuss the game with his grandsons, who also love the game.

He will be missed by his family and friends who will treasure wonderful memories. A man of deep faith, he was a member of Porterfield United Methodist and the Key Sunday School Class.

He is preceded in death by parents Lewis Duval Ellington and Ruth Dixon Ellington, as well as granddaughter, Leah Ellington Pope.

He is survived by his wife of sixty-four years, Betty Lynn. Son Frederick and wife Marcia of Marietta, Georgia, daughter Angela Pope and husband Mark of Dacula, Georgia, and son Robert and wife Sala of Leesburg, Georgia. Brother Larry Ellington and wife Pat, St. Simons Island. Grandchildren James Ellington, Marissa Ellington Womack (Jarrod), Reese Pope, Dixon Pope (Haley) Laine Ellington, Kate Ellington, and John-Robert Ellington. Great Grandchildren Miles Womack, Maple Womack, Olivia Pope, Mills Pope, and Shepherd Pope.

Niece Pam Ellington Brown (Andy) and nephew Stephen Ellington (Beth).

The family would like to thank the staff of Willson Hospice House for the incredible care they provided.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Willson Hospice House or Porterfield United Methodist in his memory.

Funeral service will be Wednesday, August 25, 2021 with visitation at 2 pm, memorial service 3pm. Porterfield United Methodist, 2200 Dawson Road , Albany, Georgia 31707.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 25. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Porterfield Memorial United Methodist Church
2200 Dawson Rd.
Albany, GA 31707

Memorial Service

AUG 25. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JR

“ As a teenager my first job was working at Northside Pharmacy with Mr. Ellington. He was a great boss and we all enjoyed his sense of humor. As a matter of fact, I still have a Christmas card from him with the \$2.00 bill that he signed “Scrooge”. I remember Betty Lynn and his children. I am sad to hear of his passing and know he will be missed. RIP

Joy Womack Riley

Joy Womack Riley - October 07, 2021 at 06:52 AM

MM

“ I have fond memories of Mr. Bob, and Dad taking me and Angela golfing with them at Radium Country Club. She and I got to take turns driving the golf cart.
I also have sweet memories of practically living at the Ellington home. It was like a second home to me. Mr. Bob was always kind and caring. He was also a great husband and father, and he will be greatly missed!

Myra (Murphree) Mustin - September 01, 2021 at 05:40 AM

RC

“ Robert, Sala you have my sincere sympathy in your recent loss.
Robert A. Clay

Robert A. Clay - August 26, 2021 at 10:29 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Robert Duval Ellington.*



August 24, 2021 at 02:50 PM



“ *Mr. Bob was a wonderful man. My condolences to The Ellington Family. Prayers for you All.* 🙏🙏🙏



Leanne Sherrill - August 23, 2021 at 06:13 PM



“ *Steve Kay & the Commercial Team purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Robert Duval Ellington.*



Steve Kay & the Commercial Team - August 23, 2021 at 12:51 PM



“ *Bob was knowledgeable on many things. I truly enjoyed talking with him in Sertoma. Stopped by his home and just had a great time sitting and drinking tea. He will be missed. We lost touch in the Las few years. I really w g ished to had stayed in touch. My the family hold on to his memories. Bless them.*

Smitty Johnson - August 22, 2021 at 01:32 PM

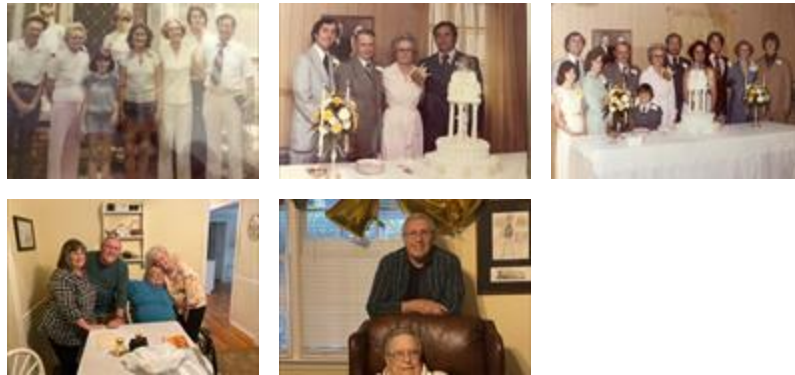
SM

Betty, Freddy, Angela, Robert and other family members: Even though I can't be there with you, my thoughts and prayers are certainly there with you! I love all of you dearly and cherish all of the memories that I have of the many happy times that we had during the 22 1/2 years that we lived on Murray Hill Lane. We always said that we were like family, and, what a surprise it was when I discovered that Bob and I were cousins through my Mother's Duval/Ellington lineage! Bob was a fine man and will be missed by many!

sonya Neal Murphree - August 23, 2021 at 12:24 AM

PB

“ Love you Uncle.... ❤️



pam ellington brown - August 21, 2021 at 09:22 PM

FF

“ Freddy, I am saddened to hear about the passing of you dad. I remember him as a very nice guy.
Fred Freeney Jr

Fred Freeney - August 21, 2021 at 09:13 PM

PB

“ *Pamela, Andy, Austin and Aidan Brown purchased the Delightful Dieffenbachia for the family of Robert Duval Ellington.*



Pamela, Andy, Austin and Aidan Brown - August 21, 2021 at 07:04 PM

AO

“ *Alma Oliver lit a candle in memory of Robert Duval Ellington*



alma oliver - August 21, 2021 at 06:18 PM

GO

My family enjoyed having Bob as our pharmacist. He was our friend, our confidant. Such a nice, caring man.

Gail Aultman Ott - August 22, 2021 at 09:31 AM

PS

What a wonderful legacy of caring, support, and friendship Bob has left for us to cherish--definitely a full life well-lived !!!

Pat and Ron Simpson - August 22, 2021 at 02:55 PM

PM

*Betty and family:
I was unaware that Bob had died and send my love and condolences to you and entire family. Bob was a great guy and a wonderful pharmacist.....always glad to see his friends and cheered up everyone on any day....My sincere sympathy to you all and prayers for peace for you all.
Patsy*

patsy martin - September 03, 2021 at 05:51 PM

HP

Betty Lynn

I am so sorry that I did not know that Bob had died. He was a great friend to my family especially when we were in need. He will live in my heart and memory forever. He was a great role model and friend. Truly a great loss to our community.

Hans Pomeroy Nov 18

Hans D. Pomeroy - November 18, 2021 at 08:40 AM