



## Mr. Robert Olin Giddens Obituary

August 16, 1926 - January 25, 2013

Mr. Robert Olin Giddens, 86 of 1803 Whispering Pines Rd. in Albany died at his home on Friday January 25, 2013.

Funeral services will be Tuesday January 29, 2013 11:00 AM at Byne Memorial Baptist Church. Dr. Matthew Nance and Rev. Charlie Brown Officiating. Interment will follow in Floral Memory Gardens Cemetery.

Bob was born in Miami, FL, and lived in Worth Co., from 1927 to 1934, when his family moved to Albany. He was the son of the late Idus R. Giddens and Mattie Kathleen Brim Giddens. The youngest of 5 boys, he was preceded in death by his brothers, Rupert, Wilton, Frank and Weyman and his nephew Jan Giddens. All of the 5 brothers served our country in the military during World War II, Bob in the Navy as an aviation fire fighter from 1943 to 1946. After 30 years as purchasing manager for the Dougherty County School System, he retired to enjoy his passion for gardening, wood carving, fishing, baseball and his practice of teasing his family.

A longtime member of Byne Memorial Baptist Church, Bob loved the Lord, his family, friends and the Church. He was a faithful member of the Open Door Sunday School class. He played softball in the church league for the Byne "Reds" for many years and was extremely proud of the time he played with his son when Tom became old enough to play. He also enjoyed taking family and friends to Vogel State Park for vacation.

Bob had a deep respect for education and placed high regard for the teaching profession. He was especially pleased that his children and grandchildren

went to college. Linda, Casey, and for a while Tom, were all teachers and had his highest praise.

Bob is survived by his wife of 65 years, Mary Frances Gatlin Giddens, Albany; daughter, Linda Giddens Darrah (Marshall), Hamilton, GA; son, Thomas Robert Giddens (Carol), Kennesaw, GA; three granddaughters, Mary Quinn Roper, Columbus, GA; Casey Taylor Giddens, Destin, FL; Kelly Paige Giddens, Tuscaloosa, AL; and one great-grandson, Dakota Quinn Roper, Columbus, GA

The family will receive friends on Monday from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at Kimbrell-Stern.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Byne Memorial Baptist Church, 2832 Ledo Rd., Albany, GA 31707.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 28. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Funeral Service

JAN 29. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

Byne Memorial Baptist Church  
2832 Ledo Rd  
Albany, GA 31707

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Robert Olin Giddens Obituary*

May 22, 2023 at 01:29 AM



“ *Mr. Robert Olin Giddens Obituary*

December 24, 2022 at 02:54 AM



“ *I knew Mr Giddens as I grew up at Byne. May God bless you. We will surely miss him but we will remember him.*

**James E Blewett - Cumming, GA - Friend** - January 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Mrs. Mary, Linda and Tom,*

*I am sorry about your loss. I pray that God will keep you strong and give the peace to know that he is with you always.*

**Mary Reid - Albany, GA** - January 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Frances- Jim and I are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.*

**Angela Branscomb - Albany, GA - your neighbors** - January 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ *In my years of working with Mr. Bob with the DCSS, I discovered what a sweet and wonderful person he truly was. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with his family.*

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**Brenda N. McMillan - Leesburg, GA - Co-worker / Friend** - January 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ *My fondest memories of Linda's daddy will always be of him in his garden. He was an avid gardner who shared the fruits of his labor. To receive anything from his bounty was to be appreciated and enjoyed by all. Mr. Gidden's was a family man with a warm heart that extended beyond his church and family ties. He will be missed by all; most assuredly, he will be welcomed into Heaven.*

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**Phyllis Golden - Canton, GA - Friend** - January 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ *I was sadden to hear of your loss. May God's peace shine on you and may the memories you shared last a lifetime - until you see him again in heaven.*

*God Bless you and keep you during this time. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

*Doug and Debbie Griffin*

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**Debbie Griffin - Hamilton , GA - Friend of his son (Tom)** - January 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ Linda,  
Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. How blessed to know that his trials on earth are behind as he walks the streets of Beulah Land!

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**Marty Chapman - Canton, GA - Friend** - January 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ Tom, VJ and I have your and your family in our prayers for comfort and understanding.

Sincerely  
Oz Roberts

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**Oz Roberts - columbus, Georgia, GA - friend** - January 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

VW

“ I am sorry to hear of the passing of Mr. Giddens - I pray that the wonderful memories you have will sustain you until the time you all are reunited. I worked for Mr. Giddens in the purchasing dept. He was great for whom to work and he had such a sense of humor! My thoughts are with you at this time.

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**Vickie Southwell Lewis - Albany, GA - friend/previous co worker** - January 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ FRANCES: OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU IN THIS TIME OF SORROW.  
JEANETTE AND OTIS PAUL

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**JEANETTE AND OTIS PAUL - ALBANY, GA - FRIENDS** - January 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Tom, the Harris family is thinking of you, Carol, your mother, and the Giddens family during this time. I know the love you have for your parents and how you loved your Dad. Pops, Holly, and I send our thoughts and prayers.

*Dex and Holly*

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**Dexter A. Harris - Atlanta, GA - Colleagues and Friends** - January 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ I wish that our friendship started sooner, but I'm grateful for the time that we got to spend with Mr. Giddens. Those touched by him, especially his family remain in our prayers.

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**Ami Phillips & Lauri Chancellor - Albany, GA - Neighbor and friend** - January 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Tom, we are thinking of you, Carol, your mother, and the family during this time. I know how you love your parents and how you loved your Dad. Pat and I send the family our thoughts and prayers.  
*Jim and Pat*

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**jim and pat thompson - midland, GA - friend of son** - January 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM