



Mr. Robert Henry (Bob) McGarity III

April 7, 1945 - September 30, 2014

Robert Henry “Bob”. McGarity III, 69, of Albany, GA died peacefully on Tuesday, September 30, 2014 at his residence, surrounded by family.. Funeral services will be held Thursday, October 2, 2014 at 11:00 AM at Covenant Presbyterian Church. Dr. William D. “Biff” Coker and Rev. Tim Olds will officiate. Interment will follow at Crown Hill Cemetery.

Bob was born in Hattiesburg, MS in 1945 and his family relocated to Albany, GA in 1956. Bob graduated from Albany High School in 1963 and The Georgia Institute of Technology with a degree in Industrial Management. He began his career at Road Machinery in Doraville, GA before moving back to Albany in 1977. He continued his career at Carlton Company where he remained until 2003.

Over the years, Bob was active in the The Albany Georgia Tech Alumni Club, where he served one year as President. He was an avid outdoorsman, which was evident through his involvement with Ducks Unlimited at both the local and regional levels.

In recent years, Bob enjoyed spending time with children and grandchildren at their home on Lake Blackshear.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents Robert Henry “Hank” McGarity, Jr and Kitty McCaa McGarity , his brother John Charles “Chuck” McGarity and his brother-in-law George G. Riles.

He is survived by his wife of 44 years, Jain Rice McGarity of Albany, GA, two

daughters, Kathy McGarity Benton of Alpharetta, GA and Sarah McGarity Bennett and her husband Russell of Athens, GA. Four grandchildren, Katherine Barrett Benton, Samuel Robert Benton, Charles McGarity Bennett and Jain Allen Bennett, two sisters Vicki McGarity Riles of Albany, GA and Kay McGarity Heidt and her husband Tommy of Norcross, GA and several nieces and nephews.

The family will be at their residence at Lake Blackshear, 2253 Arabi-Warwick Road, Cordele GA.

Memorials may be made to The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society Georgia Chapter 3715 Northside Parkway NW, Building 400, Suite 300, Atlanta, GA 30327 or Covenant Presbyterian Church, 2126 West Edgewater Drive, Albany, GA 31707.

To share your thoughts with the McGarity family, you may visit our website at www.kimbrellstern.com.

Cemetery Details

Crown Hill Cemetery

1907 Dawson Rd
Albany, GA 31707
(229) 883-6600
<https://www.kimbrellstern.com/>

Previous Events

Funeral Service

OCT 2. 11:00 AM (ET)

Covenant Presbyterian Church
2216 W. Edgewater Dr.
Albany, GA 31707

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Robert Henry (Bob) McGarity III*

May 22, 2023 at 10:29 AM



“ *Mr. Robert Henry (Bob) McGarity III*

May 22, 2023 at 01:29 AM



“ *Mr. Robert Henry (Bob) McGarity III*

December 24, 2022 at 02:54 AM



“ *I'm so sorry to learn about Bob. He played a big role in my life as a teen and young adult, but, unfortunately, we lost contact when we each relocated from Albany. Bob, John Strong, Lynn Rouse and I had many great adventures together hunting, fishing, and skiing on Lake Blackshear.*

Paul Webb

Paul A. Webb - October 20, 2014 at 11:26 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you and the family for a great friend.*

Bobby Garrett

Bobby Garrett - October 02, 2014 at 09:14 AM

BM

“ *Jain - My daughter, Katie McGarity Weber, shared this sad news with me today. My thoughts and prayers are with your precious family.*

Barbara Myers

Barbara Myers - October 02, 2014 at 08:42 AM

BL

“ *Jain, so sorry to hear about Bob. As you know we were class mates in high school and shared many good memories. I will never forget duck hunting with Bob on Lake Blackshear. Training field trial retrievers now, my thoughts have often returned to that freezing afternoon in the duck blind, We were cold, frozen but enjoyed every minute.*

Judy's and my thoughts and prayers are with you. Bill Landau

Bill Landau - October 02, 2014 at 04:58 AM

RM

“ *Russ Melton purchased the Rainbow Reflections Basket for the family of Mr. Robert Henry (Bob) McGarity III.*



Russ Melton - October 01, 2014 at 02:45 PM

JG

“ *Jain and family*

I am so sad to hear of the passing of Bob. I will never forget all the times that Bob, Chuck and all the dogs came by to visit!! He will be missed, but I know that he going to a better place to "mingle" with a lot of friends and "new" friends. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Jackie Griffin

Jackie Griffin - October 01, 2014 at 11:31 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Robert Henry (Bob) McGarity III.*



October 01, 2014 at 11:30 AM

BT

“ *I am very sad today to find out this news of my friend. Bob and I were in High School and Georgia Tech together. My thoughts and prayers are with Jain and the rest of Bob's family.*

I last spoke with him at the 50th reunion. I will miss him.

Bill Terry



Bill Terry - October 01, 2014 at 10:49 AM

KK

“ I am saddened to hear this news. Bob and I were co-workers for many years at Carlton Company. My thoughts and prayers go out to the entire family.

Kim Key - October 01, 2014 at 10:24 AM



“ I was very saddened to learn of Bob's death last night. Class reunions won't be the same without his laughter and smiling face. May Bob soar with the angels, and light perpetual shine upon him. He will be missed. Hugs to you Jain.

Sandy Redding Bell

Sandy Bell - October 01, 2014 at 09:15 AM

PM

“ Jain and family:
How sad I was to learn that Bob died. I know his struggles were great and his determination was such an inspiration to all. Know that my prayers go out for you and your sweet family. If there is anything I can do for any of you, please let me know.

Patsy

Patsy Martin - October 01, 2014 at 09:11 AM



LB

“ Vicki and Kay, my thoughts and prayers are with you and members of your families. I have admired your family for many years at Covenant Presbyterian Church. May God bless each one of you. Love, Lallie Jones Benkoski

Lallie Jones Benkoski - October 01, 2014 at 08:50 AM

HC

“ *Helen Carlock purchased the Basket of Joy for the family of Mr. Robert Henry (Bob) McGarity III.*



Helen Carlock - October 01, 2014 at 07:46 AM

ML

“ *Mitzi Lott lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Henry (Bob) McGarity III*



Mitzi Lott - October 01, 2014 at 06:44 AM

SS

“ *I am so sorry to learn about Bob, Jain, your wonderful husband and great father to Kathy and Sarah. Please know that my thoughts and prayers will be with all of his family and friends during these difficult days ahead. I only remember seeing Bob with a smile on his face!*

Susan Stiller - September 30, 2014 at 09:14 PM

LW

“ *Jain, Kathy and Sarah, so many precious memories over the years.....May those memories bring you joy and the love of friends bring you peace.*

All my love,

Lynn Wilson - September 30, 2014 at 06:32 PM

LW

“ Jain, Kathy, and Sarah, I am so sorry to hear this. Love and sympathy to all of you.

Lina Waldrop - September 30, 2014 at 06:27 PM

RB

“ Please accept my most heartfelt sympathies. My thoughts are with you all during this difficult time.
Peace, Prayers, Love and Blessings

Rani Bailey - September 30, 2014 at 06:23 PM

TF

“ So sorry to hear this. Jain, you and all your family are in our thoughts and prayers. May your faith keep you strong during these difficult times. Love, Tricia and John Fountain

Tricia Fountain - September 30, 2014 at 06:13 PM

GC

“ Thinking of all of you during this sad time. Tom and I will be praying for your family.

Gail Crowley - September 30, 2014 at 04:53 PM

HH

“ So sorry for your family's loss! Keeping you all in my prayers.....

Honey Bolton Hanson - September 30, 2014 at 04:25 PM

KS

“ To the entire McGarity family (my "adopted" Albany family), I'm so sorry to hear this news. Bob was warm, friendly and so funny to me. He will be missed! Sending love to all of you!
Love, Kelley Sparks

Kelley Sparks - September 30, 2014 at 03:46 PM

LL

“ Jain and family so very sorry, your whole family have meant so much to Albany ARC
Specail Olympics, My prayers are with you all, Lou Lee

Lou Lee - September 30, 2014 at 03:23 PM

KH

“ I sure did love "Uncle Bob" and I am so terribly sorry to hear this. All our love to all of this family.

Kelly, Buster and Carter Haddock

Kelley Haddock - September 30, 2014 at 02:43 PM

CG

“ I am so sad to hear this. I loved Mr. Mcgarity, never more than on the day I saw him sitting in a pre towards the back of first Baptist Lee county on March 13, 2004. He had a grandchild on the way himself, but found it in his heart to come share his love and compassion with me and my family as we buried our son. I've known him since I was 14 and I will always remember his smile. May you all feel God's Peace as you celebrate his life and grieve his earthly absence. I love you Kathy, Ms. Jane and Sara. My family will be praying for you.

crystal deshazo gay - September 30, 2014 at 02:29 PM

MS

vicky and all family sorry for bob passing -may God comfort ya'll

mark slappey - September 30, 2014 at 06:04 PM

GV

“ *Jane and family...sending you love, thoughts and prayers at this most difficult time..Bob was a great guy and a good friend..I know you all will miss him so much...thankful that one day you will all be together again...praying God's peace and comfort will enfold you all in the days ahead...Gayle Hughes Vorse*

gayle and franklin vorse - September 30, 2014 at 11:59 AM