



## Mr. Walter Houser Strickland Sr.

January 15, 1931 - October 16, 2016

Mr. Walter Houser Strickland, Sr. died Sunday, October 16, 2016 at Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital in Albany, GA. A Funeral Service will be held for Mr. Strickland on Thursday, October 20, 2016 at 11 AM at First United Methodist Church of Albany, Rev. Thad Haygood and Mr. Scott Stanfill will be officiating. The family will receive friends during visitation from 6-8 PM on Wednesday, October 19, 2016 at Kimbrell-Stern.

Born January 15, 1931 in Macon, GA, then moved to Arizona for a few years. Moved to Albany to start first grade and graduated from Albany High School. While in high school, he was very active in sports. He played football and baseball. He was MVP in football his senior year and played in the All-Star Game in Atlanta. He was drafted to the Dodgers Franchise in 1950. He once pitched a shutout in fourteen innings. He also officiated high school football for twenty years and coached little league baseball. He then went into the Navy from 1950-1954 during the Korean War. He entered Auburn University in 1954 and graduated in 1958. He was a member of The Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity. He and his wife, Maxine, met in Albany in 1957 and were married later in 1958. He was a member of First United Methodist Church, where he had been an usher and was President of The Hudson Malone Sunday School Class and the family coordinator. He was inducted into The Albany Sports Hall of Fame in 1993 and later served on the Board of Directors. He retired from MacGregor Golf Company in 1993.

He was preceded in death by: his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Julian W. Strickland;

his sisters, Gloria Farmer (Billy), Mary "Polly" Green (Don), Eve Vaughn (Ray); and his twin brother Wynn Strickland (Marilyn).

He is survived by: his wife of 58 years, Maxine; his son, Walter Houser "Howe" Strickland, Jr. (Debbie); his daughter, Stacy Harris (Mike); his five grandchildren, Emily Harris, Parker Harris, Tucker Harris, Briley Strickland and Ethan Strickland; and his many nieces and nephews.

Memorials can be made to First United Methodist Church 175th Birthday Fund, 307 Flint Ave, Albany, GA 31701. To share a memory with The Strickland Family or to sign our online guestbook please visit [www.kimbrellster n.com](http://www.kimbrellster n.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **19**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Kimbrell-Stern  
1503 Dawson Road  
Albany, GA 31707  
(229) 883-4152  
<https://www.kimbrellstern.com?>

## Funeral Service

OCT **20**. 11:00 AM (ET)

First United Methodist Church  
307 Flint Ave  
Albany, GA 31701

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Walter Houser Strickland Sr.*

May 22, 2023 at 10:29 AM



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May 22, 2023 at 01:29 AM



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“ *Mr. Walter Houser Strickland Sr.*

December 24, 2022 at 02:54 AM



“ *Elena Taylor lit a candle in memory of Mr. Walter Houser Strickland Sr.*



**Elena Taylor** - November 06, 2021 at 04:06 PM

AH

“ *Maxine, please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. We have such fond memories of you two from our years in Albany in athletics. Walter will be sorely missed, especially by us in the sports family. Arleeta and Ferrell Henry*

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**Arleeta Henry** - November 05, 2016 at 02:32 AM

CA

“ *Shared many good Auburn stories in the FUMC break room and other stories on Sunday morning.*

*Carlos*

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**Carlos** - October 19, 2016 at 04:04 PM

JH

*Mr. Strickland played a huge part in my childhood growing up down the street from them. I met Stacy in the 4th grade I was at their house nearly everyday. He was the cool Dad such good memories I will cherish forever. Love you all. Jeri Holland Hughes*

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**Jeri Lynn Holland Hughes** - October 19, 2016 at 06:57 PM

MW

“ *WALTER WILL BE REMEMBER AS A GREAT FOOTBALL PLAYER FOR AHS. HE WAS A VERY NICE YOUNGMAN. HE LEGECY WILL LIVE ON. PRAYERS FOR THE WHOLE FAMILNY. MARGARET VICK WEIMER IN UTAH.*



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**MARGARET V. WEIMER** - October 17, 2016 at 11:18 PM

GM

*MyHeartfelt condolences to the whole family.*

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**Gwwndolyn McGhee** - October 19, 2016 at 10:50 AM

KS

“ *I is is a dear friend and was married to a wonderful woman*

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**Ken & Valerie Swords** - October 17, 2016 at 04:20 PM