



Mr. Donald Elmer Waite

January 8, 1945 - October 15, 2023

Mr. Donald Elmer Waite, age 78 of Nicholson passed away Sunday, October 15, 2023 at Piedmont Athens Regional Medical Center after a lengthy battle with diabetes and dementia. Mr. Waite was born in Greenville, AL to the late, Elmer and Edna Campbell Waite. Mr. Waite was a retired photographer.

Mr. Waite was well beloved in his hometowns of Greenville, AL and Gadsden, AL. He worked many years as a successful photographer in his own business, The Studio, and was well known of his excellent skills in restoring old photographs. He is well remembered for his generosity and great love for everyone. He never cooked a good meal without sharing it with his neighbors because he truly believed in blessing others. He loved working on his many projects and keeping his yard immaculate. He had a beautiful baritone voice and enjoyed his guitar and writing songs. Most of all, he loved and served Jesus since young boy. His life was a true blessing to many.

Mr. Waite is survived by his son, Russell Todd Waite (Laurie) of Gainesville, FL; granddaughter, Jordan Bonizza (Ricardo); two great grandchildren; sister, Sharon Chester of Nicholson; nephews, Randy Chester, Tommy Chester, and Derek Chester; niece, Sherry Chester; 14 great nieces and nephews.

The family will have a celebration of his life in Nicholson in the near future.

Little-Ward Funeral Home, Commerce is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall

RH

“ CAN I PLEASE RECOVER THE PICTURES OF MY FAMILY?
ALSO, don had a framed pic of my grandfather as a child. He could
not find it!!!
PLEASE....let me see what you have that is probably MINE.
256.207.6761

rebecca henley - March 21, 2024 at 10:07 PM

KH

“ Don, you and Daddy were two peas in a pod. I love you dearly and I
know you and Dad are sharing laughs again. Thank you for always
sharing the Lord with me. I'll see you again some sunny day.

Katrina Butts Hubbard - October 18, 2023 at 09:04 PM

MW

“ Don was a friend to my late husband, Riley Whitaker, and me for
many years. He made numerous photos of our family and our girls,
Donna and Kim. I shared food with him, especially after his health
began to decline. He was always very appreciative and repaid me
many times over with his gifts of shelled pecans and his generous
smiles and laughter. He will be missed by me and many others in
the Gadsden area.

Marie Whitaker - October 17, 2023 at 07:05 PM

JC

“ My sincere condolences Sharon and Don's son and family. May
God be with you during this difficult time praying for you and your
family. I will miss him on Facebook!! Sincerely Judy S. Campbell

Judy S. Campbell - October 17, 2023 at 09:21 AM



My sincere condolences Sharon and Don's son and family. The Harps

Jim Sr Harp - October 17, 2023 at 09:28 AM