

Mr. Joe Neal Bagwell

February 24, 1942 - October 25, 2020

Mr. Joe Neal Bagwell, age 78, of Commerce passed away on Sunday, October 25, 2020 at Piedmont Athens Regional Medical Center following a brief illness. Mr. Bagwell was born in Commerce to the late, Joseph H. and Sallie Mae Whitehead Bagwell. Mr. Bagwell was a member of Maysville Baptist Church and a veteran of the United States Marine Corps.

A 1960 graduate of Commerce High School, Mr. Bagwell received a Civil Engineering degree from the Georgia Institute of Technology and spent his life building houses, office buildings, and retail centers. He was a devoted Christian who spent decades serving God as a Sunday school teacher, outreach leader, and as a lay pastor for a church in an inner-city housing project in Atlanta. The Lord used Mr. Bagwell to bring many souls to Christ.

In addition to his parents, Mr. Bagwell was preceded in death by his sister Ronda Thurmond and brother, Amory Bagwell. He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Carole Fleming Bagwell of Commerce; sons, Neal Bagwell of Commerce and Erik Bagwell (Gretchen) of Monroe; grandsons, Grant and Davis Bagwell; granddaughter, Callie Beth Bagwell; brothers, Merrill Bagwell (Wanda) and Steven Bagwell (Beverly) both of Commerce.

A graveside service involving immediate family will take place at Grey Hill Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family request donations be made to either

the Maysville Baptist Church Building Fund or the Gideons International.

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

Cemetery Details

Grey Hill Cemetery

Clayton St.
Commerce, GA 30529

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Joe Neal Bagwell*

October 09, 2023 at 05:17 AM



“ *Dear Carol, & Neal, & the rest of the family,
Carol, I have finally gotten the particulars about Joe Neal having passed away, the obituary, and the illness he had. I try to call Virginia Hardman Meador in S.C. and she is good to send the information to Joe's class mates. Bobbie Sue Sims let Claudia my sister, know in your class. Virginia, myself, and many others in our class of "1960" went to school with Joe for 12 years. He was someone who you were proud to be in class with-- smart, but fun and friendly. This picture here in the obituary is wonderful---he looks younger than he did in the past, and very happy.
I'm so glad. He was active like his mother, Sallie Mae, and probably like Joe, his dad.
I remember him being able to draw pictures of people, horses, and maybe automobiles.
Maybe cowboys, too. For someone like me, who didn't have a very real natural talent as he did, it was fascinating. I imagine his professors at Georgia Tech, were "fascinated" with his good work at Tech. Someone told me that he designed shopping centers later.
I've tried to call you since this happened. I got Wanda but missed you when I'd try. I'd love to get together sometime. Maybe that will work out.
Lots of love to you, Carol. You were the wife of a very fine person.
Emily (Hope) Harber*

Emily Hope Harber - December 13, 2020 at 07:24 PM

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“ *The Bruce Barron Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Joe Neal Bagwell*



The Bruce Barron Family - October 27, 2020 at 05:22 PM

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“ *Merrill And Stephen, My Very Deepest Condolences on The Loss of Your Brother !! Both of You are in My Prayers !*



Gerald McElreath - October 27, 2020 at 09:44 AM

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“ *Billy Davis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Joe Neal Bagwell*



Billy Davis - October 27, 2020 at 07:56 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Joe Neal Bagwell.*



October 26, 2020 at 07:38 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Joe Neal Bagwell.*



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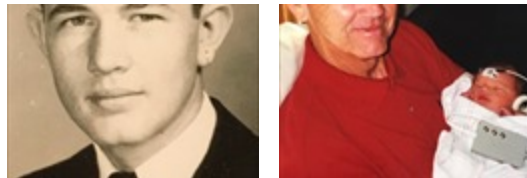
“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Joe Neal Bagwell.*



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Little-Ward Funeral Home - October 26, 2020 at 03:19 PM