



George Hassel Weems, Jr.

January 9, 1937 - July 13, 2023

George Hassel Weems, Junior, of Eatonton passed away on Thursday, July 13, 2023, at the age of 86. After several months of declining health, he died peacefully at home, on the same property where he was born, with his beloved wife, B.J. Weems, and family attending him.

He was born in the Rockville area of Putnam County on January 9, 1937, to George Hassel Weems, Senior, and Mable Beatrice Humphries Weems Lancaster and was the eldest of three siblings. He graduated Putnam County High School in the Class of 1955 and later attended Mercer University and Georgia State University. His mother arranged the first date between George and B.J., an invitation to ride to a basketball tournament together with them, and that connection grew to their marriage on July 18, 1958.

George joined Georgia Army National Guard at age 17 and went on to become the Commander of Company C, 1st Battalion of the 108th Armor Regiment after having received his commission through the first graduating class of the Georgia Military Institute in 1962. He retired from the Georgia Army National Guard after 27 years of honorable service.

George grew up attending Wesley Chapel Methodist Church, participating in youth and adult activities there. He committed his life to and served many years teaching and preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ. He graduated from

Rhema Bible Training Center in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, in 1980 and went on with B.J. to do missionary work as an ordained minister via Victory Bible Institute of Tulsa, Oklahoma, through their evangelical travels in Russia, Romania, and Germany. He and B.J. are members of Liberty Chapel in Eatonton.

Outside his work of serving God, Country, and State was George's time with the Georgia Highway Department, J.P. Stevens Textiles, Gulf Life Insurance, and The Nestlé Company, and then retiring from a career with Horton Homes. As dedicated to work and service as he was, George also had a lifelong affinity for dogs, horses, and golf. He was a member of the Remus Riders trail riding group. Golf was a great joy for George with his membership at the Uncle Remus Golf Course and most recently as the score keeper for the Monday Morning Seniors.

The greatest joy in George's life was his family – his wife B.J. of 65 years, their four children, and their four grandchildren.

George was preceded in death by his parents and sister Theresa Ann Weems. He is survived by brother James Patrick "Pat" Weems (Cheryl), wife B. J. Weems; children Kelly Lynn Weems, Julie Ann Weems Harper (Chris), George Hassel Weems, III (Bené), and Lee Weems (Jessica); grandchildren Tyler Weems Pennington, Anna Grace Weems, Kaitlyn Elizabeth Weems, Aiden George Weems; and a host of nieces and nephews.

Visitation is planned for Sunday, July 16, 2023, at 3:00 PM and then Memorial Services with military funeral honors at 4:00 PM, both at Liberty Chapel located at 269 Milledgeville Road in Eatonton by Pastor Ron Drawdy.

Honorary Pallbearers include Bill Sowell, Joe Nicholls, Ronald Linch, Jay Weems, David Beasley, Bill Edwards, Dudley Horton, Ernest M. Epps, Jamie

Gibbs, Stinson Batchelor, Tom Leach, Chip Walker, Larry Manley, Miguel Matos, and Roger Pierce with a private family burial service to be held at a later date.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **16**. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Liberty Chapel
Milledgeville Rd.
Eatonton, GA 31024

Memorial Service

JUL **16**. 4:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

LR

“ George Weems, I know where you are. Youve already seen Jesus 😊❤️ I know you were a Man of God and I'm blessed for knowing you. BJ and family I send to you me prayers of strength and love.
Linda (Charping) Radney

Linda (Charping) Radney - July 16, 2023 at 01:24 PM

VL

“ Sooooo many memories over the decades of friendship. From saddles to dinners, and with George, God was always front & center. Teacher, mentor, teaser & smiles always a blessing and gift to celebrate. While we will miss him on this earth, I'm sure he is sharing hugs and jokes with our Lord, even now and kicked back on a cloud, enjoying his new freedom.
Bj & his great family begin a new season and will continue his legacy as they will continue two be in our prayers & hearts.
See ya, brother!

Virginia Linch - July 16, 2023 at 08:54 AM

EC

“ B.J. and Family: We all loved George and will certainly miss him. Knowing he is in his Heavenly home with Jesus and completely healed , brings peace to our hearts. Our prayers are with you all today and in the days to follow. Elaine C Carnes



Elaine C Carnes - July 15, 2023 at 04:52 PM

EF

“ *B.J. and Family,
Edge and I are saddened to hear of George's passing. He was a wonderful man and will be sorely missed by many. We pray for your continued strength as you move ahead into a future without your beloved husband. You have been a loving, faithful source of strength for George all your married life and especially this past year when illness was a frequent trial for you both.
We pray for our Lord's love, mercy and grace to surround you and your family and bring you peace. Our love always, Edge and Esther Farley*

Edge and Esther Farley - July 15, 2023 at 04:21 PM

MM

“ *To B.J.: I offer my condolences on your loss. I remember George and yourself from our time together at FIMC in the early 1990s. He was an even man, a person to trust and rely upon. Eatonton area is poorer for his loss and heaven is richer. His passing will give those who love him an opportunity to turn and set their affections above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God, trusting that George is amongst the Blessed. Blessings to you and yours at this time.
Respectfully with Kind Regards, Mark Daniel Monroe*

Mark Daniel Monroe - July 14, 2023 at 04:45 PM

CW

“ My father-in-law was Billy Hearn, the last three sport letterman at UGA. "King" George (as I called him) was the center at Putnam County High during Billy's high school days. George said he was the best athlete he had seen.

I worked with George at Horton Homes for many years. He always gave me good advice.

He once told me "A running back can work on his legs, etc. to gain a little more speed. However, he needs to have pretty good speed to start with. The same for a salesman; he can go through training but has to have a little peddler in him to start with."

Fortunately, I had a little peddler in me, and he was always there to help.

To B.J., Kelly, Julie, Hasel and Lee I am thankful he crossed my path.

Rest in peace!

Chip Walker

chip walker - July 14, 2023 at 03:15 PM

BM

George Weems worked with my mother at shorten Homes and when I married Greg Manley, George volunteered to haul my horses from Milledgeville to Eatonton, about 40 years ago.

His son later married a beautiful girl whose family we were and still are very close to and I always enjoyed visiting with him at their house at christmas. I don't remember ever seeing him without a smile on his face and a ready hug.

Eatonton has lost a treasure but I know George is in heaven smiling and hugging right now.

Brenda Manley - July 15, 2023 at 10:08 PM