



Mr. Asa O'Neal Cheatwood

May 21, 1932 - April 16, 2024

Mr. Asa O'Neal Cheatwood was born on May 21st, 1932 to Asa and Carrie Cheatwood in Oxford, Alabama at their home. He passed away at Regional Medical Center in Anniston, Alabama. He was surrounded by his family when he passed away. A visitation will be held on Monday, April 22, 2024, at Miller Funeral Home from 1:00pm until 2:00pm. A funeral service will be in the Toby Miller Chapel the same day starting at 2:00pm. A graveside service with military honors will follow at Forestlawn Memorial Gardens Cemetery. Randy Howell will be officiating the service.

He attended Oxford High School where he was a star player for the Yellow Jackets and was being pursued by Auburn University.

He married Mary Frances Mitchell on July 1st, 1953. Before entering the military, he worked for the Alabama State Highway Department on Engineering team surveying for new and renovations to state highways. He attended Jacksonville State for 2 years furthering his education. He ended his working career retiring from the Anniston Army Depot at age 55.

He was inducted into the United States Army on April 17th, 1953. He was in Tank Company 1st Battalion 14th Armored Cavalry. While in the service he received the National Defense Service Medal and Army Occupation Medal. While serving in Europe, he played basketball for the Army and won the

European all Services championship defeating all other branch service teams. He received an Honorable Discharge from the Army in 1955.

He was an extremely loyal and devoted husband. He was a great father, grand father, and great grandfather. They would take their grandsons for extended visits and he taught them to fish, waterski, play golf, and how to compete in life. He loved coaching young people and coached many baseball and basketball teams for Oxford youth. He was a member of the Oxford quarterback club and a avid Yellow Jacket supporter. He was also an Auburn University fan "War Eagle."

He was an avid golfer who loved to play anytime. He was playing up to his death. He played in a large golf tournament with his son and grandsons in Atlanta at age 89 and they won third place, and he also had three hole-in ones in his golfing career.

He was also a great gardener. His garden was famous for his tomato, okra, and "rattlesnake beans." One thing he loved most was sharing his vegetables with his neighbors and friends.

On April 16th 2024, he passed on from this earth to be with the Lord and his wife. He was an active member of Lincoln Baptist Church and a volunteer at St. Vincent Hospital in Lincoln for 17 years. He will be greatly missed.

Mr. Cheatwood is survived by his son, Kenneth "Ken" Cheatwood (Cathy); grandsons, Charles O'Neal Cheatwood (Andrea), Tyler Matthew Cheatwood (Farran) ; four great grandchildren, Mary Jolyn Cheatwood, Kenneth Carter Cheatwood, Eva Mae Cheatwood, Emerson Betty Cheatwood.

Pallbearers will be Neal Cheatwood, Tyler Cheatwood, Larry McCormick, Roger Self, Vick Knight, Sid Beasley.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **22**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (cst)

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Service

APR **22**. 2:00 PM (cst)

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Graveside Service

APR **22** (cst)

Forestlawn Memorial Gardens
730 Golden Springs Rd
Anniston, AL

Tribute Wall



“ I am the youngest of the W.C. Cheatwood family. Darlene, Paula and I had lunch with him when our Brother was in the hospital. He called me a while back. It was nice to hear his voice. Our family is not sure why we were not notified of his passing and having to find out on FB that he had died. Our family was always close when we were growing up, and we are now the older generation. Kenny, I am so sorry to hear of his death. Much love to you and your family.

Vera Hietanen (Cheatwood) - May 23, 2024 at 09:46 PM

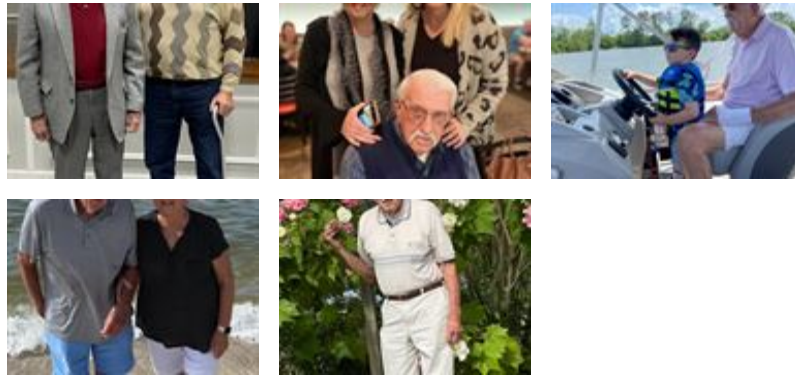


“ My father, LD Dempsey, spoke of Omeal Cheatwood . I do not know if he knew him from Anniston Army Depot or World War II. Dad was in an ant tank division. Either way condolences to the loss to the family. May God bless.

Dempsey Roger - April 20, 2024 at 01:14 PM



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