



Col. Ernest S. Banks

June 9, 1925 - March 23, 2017

Ret. Col. Ernest S. Banks of the United States Air Force passed away on March 23, 2017.

He was born on June 9, 1925 in Winder, Georgia to G.L. and Susie Banks. He is survived by his daughter, Penny C. Mitchell; son, Brian S. Banks, and his youngest daughter and caregiver, Barbara Jean Banks.

He is preceded in death by his parents, his wife who was the love of his life for 65 years, Alta J. Banks, and a daughter, Debbie Banks.

Mr. Banks was a member of Antioch Presbyterian Church of Watkinsville, GA. He was a 30 years veteran, serving in Korea, two tours in Vietnam, and the Dominican Republic. During his time in the Air Force, he became base commander of Ellsworth Airforce Base in South Dakota. As a child, he always dreamed of being a pilot and out of all the planes he flew, his favorite plane was a C-130.

A private memorial service will be held at a later date.

Tribute Wall



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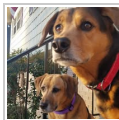
Jean Wray - April 03, 2017 at 09:29 PM

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“ There aren't many people that can say they've been friends or stayed in touch for so many years as we both have. I met Mr. Banks on the maylee his pride and joy," boat " as I called it, as he corrected me and said " son this a yacht not a boat". Little did I know my first impression just went down the tubes. I went on to meet Jean's Mom and sister Debbie and since we went to the same school became great friends. After graduation I left for the service myself ,but kept in touch with the family. It was so sad to hear of her sisters passing then several years ago of her Mom, and now her Dad. I'll miss them all.
May the family find peace and inner strength to get through these difficult times.

God Bless, The Horvath Family

Frank and Dawn Horvath - April 03, 2017 at 12:21 AM



Wow, your memory brought back years that I had forgotten. Thank you Frank and Dawn for this impressive memento of your meeting with my dad, and story of the family. So touching! Thank you so very much for sharing! I truly appreciate it!

Jean Wray - April 03, 2017 at 08:35 AM



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Jean Wray - April 02, 2017 at 08:29 PM



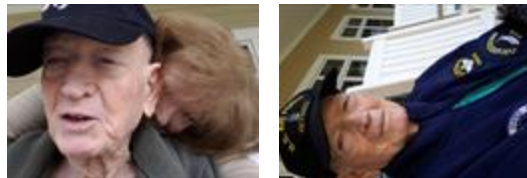
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Jean Wray - April 02, 2017 at 08:28 PM



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Barbara Banks - April 01, 2017 at 09:34 PM



“ *Barbara Banks lit a candle in memory of Col. Ernest S. Banks*



Barbara Banks - March 30, 2017 at 04:28 PM

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“ *Barbara Banks sent a virtual gift in memory of Col. Ernest S. Banks*



Barbara Banks - March 29, 2017 at 05:48 PM