



Mr. John Wade Chapman

November 29, 1940 - August 18, 2016

Mr. John Wade Chapman, 75, of Cocoa, FL, died Thursday, August 18, 2016 at his residence.

The funeral service will be held at 3:00 PM on Saturday August 20, 2016 at New Hope Baptist Church with interment to follow in the church cemetery. Rev. Mike Carter and Rev. Wallace Willis will officiate.

Mr. Chapman was born in Worth County on November 29, 1940 to the late Horace Charles and Mary Edna Mallard Chapman. He graduated from Sumner High School in 1958 and attended Southern Tech where he received his Associate's Degree with a major in Engineering with the Class of 1960. Mr. Chapman and his wife lived in Bangkok, Thailand for 5 years while he was employed with Vitro. He later worked with Firestone Tire Company in Albany and then retired from Bandag Tire Company. Mr. Chapman retired in Cocoa, FL. on Lake Poinsett. He enjoyed reading, fishing, and spending time with his family and friends, most of all with his best friend "BO".

Survivors include his loving wife of 54 years whom he married on August 18, 1962, Mira Wilkerson Chapman of Cocoa, FL; daughter, Kira Chapman of Tampa Bay, FL.; son, Chad Chapman (Rebecca) of Richmond Hill, GA; grandchildren, Charlie Chapman, Evan Chapman, Lea Chapman and Emma Darden; sisters, Virginia Willis of Sylvester; Joyce Sutton (Lynwood) of Scooterville; brothers, Woodie Chapman (Merlene) of Cocoa, FL; Mike Chapman (Deborah) of Toccoa, GA and Jimmy Chapman (Elizabeth) of Moultrie, GA; and a brother-in-law, Charles E. Jones of Sylvester, GA.

In addition to his parents, Mr. Chapman was preceded in death by his daughter, Hollie Chapman on December 21, 1971; sisters, Pat Clayton on March 14, 1997 and Barbara C. Jones on October 23, 1997.

The family will receive friends on Saturday from 2:00 PM until the service hour at New Hope Baptist Church.

Please sign our online guest registry at <http://www.banksfh.com>

Banks Funeral Home of Sylvester is in charge of arrangements.

Comments



“ Uncle Wade was and will always be in our hearts. I loved his laugh and his dry sense of humor. He always made me laugh! He never left without giving me a huge hug and an I love you. Which he did Sunday morning. I will hold that in my heart always.

Kathy Jones - May 14, 2018 at 02:48 PM



“ Wade and I, along with some others started to school together. We use to spend the night at each others house. We would go over to the horseshoe pond on the Sledge farm and have a real good time swimming. We stayed in touch occasionally through the years and was considered a special friend. I know all the family will certainly miss him. May God Bless each and everyone. Save those special memories forever.

Jimmy & Gail Snipes - May 14, 2018 at 02:48 PM



“ Chapman, as I called him, was a great man. He was a person that committed to excellence in all that he pursued throughout his life. His word was more valuable than gold. He was one of the hardest working men I've ever known. He did that because of the love he held for his family, Mira, Kira, and Chad. He was so proud of each of you. He wanted the best for all he knew. On numerous occasions he would have to be encouraged to go home to get some rest. I'm A better person by having his friendship for so many years. He was always there for me, giving financial advice, building decks, teaching me about technology, how to make rubber, talking about growing up on a farm, and making me laugh. I will truly miss him and his phone calls. Rest in peace my friend. Job well done!

Mark Averette - May 14, 2018 at 02:48 PM



“ John, I love you. I always enjoyed our conversations even the ones in which we disagreed but I feel we always had the highest respect for one another. I felt like we thought alike in many ways and while our backgrounds were different our paths were the same. I will miss you greatly but I will NEVER forget you. I will regret that I did not make the effort to come spend time with you more often but I know you understand. We would have been there at your final resting place had that been possible. Know that I am there with you in spirit and thinking of You. You are in good hands now as you were with Mira. You were my Best Friend and know that I will be seeing you again in the future.

Frederick Mohr - May 14, 2018 at 02:48 PM