



Mr. Joe Kemp Shiver

October 13, 1925 - February 1, 2020

Mr. Joe Kemp Shiver, 94 of Sylvester, died on Saturday, February 1, 2020, at Pine Shadows Retirement Manor.

The funeral service will be held at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, February 4, 2020 at the First Baptist Church of Sylvester, interment will follow in the Hillcrest Cemetery. The Rev. Donnie Duncan will officiate.

Mr. Shiver was born on October 13, 1925, in New Smyrna Beach, FL., to the late Ermon Coley and Lois Augusta Kemp Shiver. He had lived in Worth County most of his life and graduated from Sylvester High School at the age of 16. Later that year he rode the train to Athens where he enrolled at the University of Georgia. However, his education was interrupted by World War II. He was in the Army Air Corp waiting on Flight School when the war ended. Mr. Shiver returned to the University of Georgia and completed his degree in Agricultural Engineering. While at Georgia he also met Mae Grubbs and they were later married. He was the owner and operator of Shiver Tractor Company for 45 years and was involved in the farm equipment industry business his entire working career. Mr. Shiver was active in the Georgia Farm Equipment Dealers Association and served on its Board of Directors and as President. He also served as a Director for many years and as Vice President of the National Farm Equipment Dealers Association. He enjoyed his service as a Director of Colony Bankcorp, Inc., for many years and would later continue to regularly attend Colony Board Meetings as a Director Emeritus. He even attended the December 2019 meeting. Mr. Shiver was a active member and Deacon of First Baptist Church, the Elton Baker Sunday School Class, and also served in many other capacities.

Survivors include his children, David Shiver (Janet) of Sylvester, Don Shiver (Jan) of Albany and Mary Lois Hightower (Neil) of Thomaston; grandchildren, Laura Brown (Greer), Will Shiver (Shelley), Zibby Bernstein (Dan), Holly Langston (Grant), Hamp Hightower and Hannah Hightower; great grandchildren, Maidee, McKenzie and Joe Brown, Kemp and Addie Gray Shiver, Zoe and Ben Bernstein, Henry and Maggie Langston.

In addition to his parents, Mr. Shiver was preceded in death by his wife of 69 years, Mae Grubbs Shiver on February 7, 2017; sister, Jean Shiver Woolard; brother, E.C. "Josh" Shiver, Jr.,

The family will receive friends on Monday from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM at Banks Funeral Home.

For those desiring Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 309 Sylvester, GA. 31791.

Please sign our online guest registry at www.banksfh.com.

Banks Funeral Home in Sylvester is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Hillcrest Cemetery

701 S. Isabella Street
Sylvester, GA 31791

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 3. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Banks Funeral Home
PO Box 550
210 N. Main Street
Sylvester, GA 31791
(229) 776-2055
banksfh@yahoo.com
<http://banks.funeralplan2.com/>

Funeral Service

FEB 4. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church
207 N. Isabella St.
Sylvester, GA 31791

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Joe Kemp Shiver*

January 28, 2023 at 12:53 PM

TJ

“ *David, I read in the Sylvester Local of your father's passing. Your Dad was always one of my heroes. He was smart. and honest, and always a leader, whether at church or in the community. I know you will miss him. What a legacy!!!! Tommy Lawhorne*

Thomas Lawhorne, Jr - February 08, 2020 at 03:12 PM

SW

“ *Mary Lois, David, and Don,
On behalf of the Williams family, we are all saddened to hear about the passing of Mr Shiver. You three were blessed to have the finest parents anyone could imagine. They set the highest examples of character, community leadership, and Christianity. All of us looked up to them as mentors and role models. We will remember them fondly forever!
Scott and Diana Williams*

Scott Williams - February 07, 2020 at 10:02 AM

MG

“ *David and Family: from my earliest memories I remember your Mom and Dad coming down the isle at "church time" at First Baptist Church. I grew up watching their faithfulness to the LORD and First Baptist. That speaks volumes about their lives and their priorities.*

Dawn and Garland loved you all. They are now in Heaven together.

You are in my prayers.

Most sincerely,

Marsha Carol Watson Gandy

Marsha Carol Watson Gandy - February 05, 2020 at 05:42 PM

DH

“ Thoughts and prayers to the family
. Mr Joe always was willing to help in any way

Dale Hathcock - February 04, 2020 at 09:18 PM

IG

“ Joe Kemp was a kind and generous member of the Sylvester community, and a friend to farmers in the area. He was also a very active member of the original Worth Academy Board of Directors and one of the school's avid supporters.

Imogene (Downing) Gilliam - February 04, 2020 at 03:31 PM

QS

“ Prayers for the family, Mr. Joe Shiver was a true Southern Gentleman.

Quinton Smith & Family

Quinton Smith - February 04, 2020 at 01:34 PM

DB

“ As a child, I remember going to Shiver Tractor so many times with my Daddy & Papa Odom. Mr Joe was always there with a smile. I loved seeing them and Ms Shiver was always the sweetest! My condolences to the Shiver Family from The Ernest & Loren Odom Families.

Donna Odom Broadaway - February 04, 2020 at 10:29 AM

MM

“ I am sorry to hear of the passing of Joe Kemp Shiver. I remember fondly how he was at Ed's last year when I was in town. I am thankful that I got to see him again then with his family, and at the memorial service in May for my brother. You were a kind and thoughtful man, and that memory will remain with me.

melinda b marashi - February 03, 2020 at 07:52 PM



“ Sorry to hear about Mr. Joe. Prayers for family and friends.

Ruth McDonald - February 03, 2020 at 03:53 PM

DP

“ Sorry to hear about Mr. Shiver. Prayers for the family and friends.



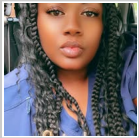
Darlene Powell - February 03, 2020 at 02:48 PM

CD

“ Charlene Hart Doggett lit a candle in memory of Mr. Joe Kemp Shiver



Charlene Hart Doggett - February 03, 2020 at 12:54 PM



“ I like this pink candle in memory of Mister Joe it saddens me to hear of your passing I will always love you and never forget you how you forever rest in peace love always and forever your 🙏 Angle ❤️



Tiffany Stephens - February 03, 2020 at 08:37 AM

EC

“ David, Janet, Don, and Jan,
We are sad to hear about Mr. Joe. What a fine gentleman he was! I will always remember him taking such loving care of Mrs. Mae when she first moved to Pine Shadows. Prayers for all the family for your comfort. I know you will miss him.
Elizabeth and Charlie Cowles

Elizabeth Cowles - February 02, 2020 at 11:25 PM

LP

“ Lamar Potts lit a candle in memory of Mr. Joe Kemp Shiver



Lamar Potts - February 02, 2020 at 07:22 PM

BA

“ Linda and I are very sorry to hear about the passing of Mr. Joe. We will be praying for all of you. Bruce and Linda Aultman.

Bruce Aultman - February 02, 2020 at 07:02 PM



“ While I will miss sharing a pew with Mr. Joe on Sundays, I know beyond doubt that he is surely celebrating our Lord today with Ms. Mae by his side! I was so very blessed to have him in my life and will be praying for comfort for the family in the days ahead. Tommy and I love you!

Kathy Jones - February 02, 2020 at 02:15 PM

MC

“ Sandra and I are so sorry to her about Mr. Joe. Praying for David and family

Mike and Sandra Cosby - February 02, 2020 at 09:18 AM

AP

“ David & Janet, I'm so sorry to hear about her father. I am praying for you and your family.

Amanda Parr - February 01, 2020 at 10:09 PM

BA

So sorry I hear about Mr Joe. One the finest man I ever knew. Together with Mrs May again. Prayers for all family

Bill and Renee Acord - February 02, 2020 at 08:09 AM

SW

David, Mary Lois, and Donnie, we are so sorry to hear of the passing of Mr. Joe! He and Mrs. Mae were like family to our family! I can't begin to name all of the wonderful things they both did for our family! As you know Mr. Joe and daddy were almost like brothers. When daddy became bed ridden in those last few months he did not want visitors other than family and of course Mr. Joe. He came often bringing daddy a milkshake up until the end. We loved Mr. Joe and Mrs. Mae very much! They are together again! Much love and prayers for you all! Sandra and Ronald Westbrook.

Sandra Westbrook - February 03, 2020 at 06:34 AM

GH

David and family, what a wonderful legacy left to Joe Kemp's family. A more Christian gentleman never existed. His accomplishments were many and the love for his God and family was remarkable. He loved his family and friends. Joe Kemp will be missed by many.

George Ray Houston - February 03, 2020 at 12:23 PM

EL

Mr. Joe was a kind, wonderful man and he will be missed. Prayers for the family in this difficult time.

Ed Loomis - February 03, 2020 at 11:15 PM

DK

Joe Shiver was a jewel! We will miss him! He was a wonderful, Christian man! Truly loved by all 🙏 Davis and Donna King

donna king - February 04, 2020 at 05:31 AM