



Emory Olin Watson, Sr.

October 6, 2007

Columbia.....Emory Olin "Buddy" Watson. Sr., age 83, of Brandywine Lane, died Saturday, October 6, 2007 at Life Care Center of Columbia. Mr. Watson was born March 31, 1924 in Washington, DC, a son of the late Maxcy Pierce Watson, Sr. and Grace Haselden Watson. When he was a young child, his family moved back to the Conway area. He graduated from Conway High School where he was a star athlete in several sports. In 1941, he was the first football player from Horry County chosen for the NC-SC Shrine Bowl. Mr. Watson served his country in the US Rangers during World War II where he was captured at Anzio Beach Head in Italy and was a prisoner of war in Germany for sixteen months. He was awarded the Good Conduct Medal, Three Bronze Stars and Purple Heart. Mr. Watson also served his local communities in many ways. He was a member of the Kiwanis Club in Conway and Myrtle Beach. He was a coach and leader of the Myrtle Beach Dixie Youth Baseball League and a member of the Myrtle Beach High School Booster Club. Mr. Watson and his family were members of the First United Methodist Church in Myrtle Beach and he and his wife were charter members of the Ashe County Presbyterian Church in Jefferson, North Carolina. He retired in 1979 from the banking industry where he started his career with Peoples National Bank in Myrtle Beach. After his retirement, he and his wife spent their years between their homes in Myrtle Beach and the mountains of North Carolina. In 2003, they moved to Columbia, S.C. where they have lived since. He was predeceased by one brother, Maxcy Pierce Watson, Jr. and one sister,

Imogene Watson Williams. Surviving are his wife of 64 years, Patricia ?Patsy? Scoggin Watson of Columbia, three sons, Emory Olin Watson, Jr. and his wife, Frankie Rhodes Watson, Patrick Earl Watson and his wife, Kathryn Watson and Thomas Mitchell Watson and his wife, Donna Sheheen Watson all of Columbia, one daughter, Mary Allen Watson and her partner, Nancy Gunn of Westfield, MA, thirteen grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, four brothers, William Lawton Watson and his wife, Virginia and Arthur Pinckney Watson all of Conway, Marion Edward Watson and his wife, Carolyn of Columbus, MS, and George Elliott Watson of High Point, NC, and one sister, Sally Watson Woody of Conway. The family would like to thank Life Care Center of Columbia for their dedication in providing loving care to our ? Buddy?/Granddaddy. Graveside services will be held at 2:00 PM Tuesday at Hillcrest Cemetery with Rev. Randy Riddle and Rev. Olin McBride officiating. The family will receive friends from 12:00 until 1:30 PM Tuesday at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to St. Jude?s Children?s Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or The Samaritans Purse, 801 Bamboo Road, Boone, NC 28607.

Tribute Wall



“ My dear Patsy, my heart broke when I read this in the paper last night. I am so sorry, he was such a great person. Do you remember me telling him not to eat tomatoes because they were bad for his blood type? He got such a kick out of that. I loved him like he was my grand-daddy, he touched my heart and I will always remember him as such a true southern gentleman. I love you good Patsy and Im thinking of you.##imported-begin##Angelia Shepherd##imported-end##

October 17, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Patsy We are thinking about you and your family. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Daughter of Ann Whitfield - Roxboro, NC##imported-begin##Margie Whitfield##imported-end##

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“ Pat, My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time of sorrow. I have many fond memories of you and your family when we were back at MBHS. It was evident that your father was a strong family man and well respected in the community. I hope you and your family can find peace in his memories.##imported-begin##Pat O'Donnell Hardwick##imported-end##

October 09, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ We are Praying for your family.##imported-begin##Larry K & Claudia W Branham##imported-end##

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“ Our sincere sympathy to your family. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers. The Vic Bailey Group##imported-begin##Rose and Vic Bailey, Jr.##imported-end##

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“ Dear Watson Family, I was deeply saddened as I just learned of cousin Buddy's passing. I gained a great respect for him and Patsy from my Father and Buddy's good friend/cousin Henry Watson. I remember some fond times as a child when we would ride from Marion to the beach, see Buddy and Patsy and watch Mary Allen play basketball. I am sorry to have just learned of Buddy's passing and also sorry that my current circumstances here in Orlando will not allow me to come for the memorial service. Please know that you are all in my thoughts and prayers. It was so good to see all of you at the last Watson family reunion a few years ago. Hopefully someone will plan another sometime soon and we can see each other again. Harold D. Watson##imported-begin##Harold Watson##imported-end##

October 08, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.##imported-begin##MIKE & DEBBIE TAYLOR##imported-end##

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“ Mrs. Watson, Mitch and all your family, May the God of unending love be your strength at this time and may your faith in eternal life console you. My prayers and the prayers of all the Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine are with you. Sister Nancy##imported-begin##Sr. Nancy Hendershot CSA##imported-end##

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“ Mrs. Watson, Mitch and family, please know that all of us at KeenanSuggs are praying for you. May you find comfort in a celebration of Mr. Watson's life. Hold on to each other as you remember happy times together. God Bless.##imported-begin##Barbara Ard, KeenanSuggs##imported-end##

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“ Mrs. Patsy, Pat & Kathy & Boys and All the Watson Family, You are all loved and appreciated and we are praying for God's grace to be with you now and in the days ahead. Many hugs from us to you, The Feagin Family##imported-begin##Dena Feagin##imported-end##

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“ Mitch and Family, Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family through this difficult time.##imported-begin##Bert and Linda Montague, Perron and Nancy Cromer on behalf of the Montague Industrial Family##imported-end##

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“ I am so sorry to hear about the passing of your father. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.##imported-begin##Michele Rye##imported-end##

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“ Mitch and Donna, I am so very sorry to hear about the loss of your Dad. May God help you and your family through this difficult time, and may the wonderful memories of grand times shared bring you peace. Patti Germann##imported-begin##Patti Germann##imported-end##

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“ Patsy, We send our sympathy to you and each family member. Buddy was such a great guy, one that we will always remember with the fondest thoughts. You are all in our prayers. Gregg & Mary Smith Myrtle Beach, SC##imported-begin##Gregg & Mary Smith##imported-end##

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“ We are very sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Mike and Carol Sanders##imported-end##

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“ My thoughts & prayers are with your family during this most sorrowful time.##imported-begin##Marilyn McDonald##imported-end##

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“ Mitch and Donna, so sorry to hear of your fathers passing. May God give you peace and comfort in your time of need. Take care and God bless your family.##imported-begin##Sandy White##imported-end##

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“ To all the Watsons, I didn't have the pleasure of knowing your "Buddy", but it seems his influence was very much alive in all of his offspring. I'm very sorry for your loss, but hope you are consoled by the great amount of time you had with him on this earth. My prayers are with you all.##imported-begin##B.J. Browder##imported-end##

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“ I am truly sorry to hear about the passing of your father. I pray that during this time you will be comforted. Felicia Baker##imported-begin##Felicia Baker##imported-end##

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“ My thoughts and prayers are with your family at this time.... Mollie Dent##imported-begin##Mollie Dent##imported-end##

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time. May God's blessings be upon your entire family, and his presence give you strength.##imported-begin##Cheryle Waller##imported-end##

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“ Dear Watson Family, My prayers are with you. I renewed my association with the Watsons in Columbia when Chip was our assistant pastor and Frankie was director of our women's ministry. What a lovely family. God bless you all. Love, Susan Griggs Barron###imported-begin##Susan Griggs Barron###imported-end##

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“ Mrs. Watson and family, Our thoughts and prayers are with you all at this time. We love you###imported-begin##Shirley & Lisa Abbott###imported-end##

October 07, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Mrs. Watson, Mitch and family: Mr. Watson was a great and humble man. I am thinking of you all, and will see you on Tuesday. Johnny Suthers###imported-begin##John Suthers###imported-end##

October 07, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ Patsy, Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Buddy was a good friend and role model during my early adult years in Conway and Myrtle Beach. We hope time will allow us to see you on Tuesday.###imported-begin##Alex and Pat Spivey###imported-end##

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