



Hubert Cortez Watson

January 29, 2011

Conway-.. Hubert C. Watson, age 87 died Saturday, January 29, 2011 at Kingston Nursing Center following an illness. Mr. Watson was born in Britton's Neck, SC, a son of the late James C. "Jim" Watson and Henrietta Altman Watson. He was a 1941 graduate of McClenaghan High School in Florence and attended The Citadel, Murray Vocational and Florence Business College. Mr. Watson was preceded in death by his wife, Mildred T. Watson. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Conway, a member of the Men's Sunday School Class, and a former Deacon and Sunday school teacher. Mr. Watson was employed with the US Naval Shipyard in Charleston from 1941 to 1944. He also served on the voluntary Port Security Force of the US Coast Guard. He was the owner and operator of Horry Furniture, Inc. and other local furniture stores for 50 years and was associated with Ray Realty as a Real Estate Broker. Mr. Watson was President of the Southern Home Furnishings Association from 1972-1973 and received the Willis Award of Merit. He served as a Director of the National Home Furniture Association. Mr. Watson was past member and secretary of the Conway Rotary Club. He was presently a member of the Conway Kiwanis Club and served as President from 1974-1975. Mr. Watson was past President of the Conway Merchants and Business Association. He was President of the Conway Chamber of Commerce in 1963. He was recognized as Conway Man of the Year in 1992. Mr. Watson was a member of the Conway Planning and Zoning Board for 12 years. He served on The Vocational Rehabilitation Board and was a member

of the Board of Directors for First Citizens Bank. Mr. Watson served on the Board of Directors of the Waccamaw Shrine Club and was Past Master of Conway Lodge #65. He was Past Secretary of the Horry Shrine Club and was Past President of the MLC Shrine Club in Myrtle Beach. Mr. Watson was a former secretary of the South Atlantic Shrine Association. He was a member of the Omar Shrine Temple and received a Certificate of Award from the Shriner's Crippled Children's Hospital in 1979. Mr. Watson was elected the Boss of the Year in 1972 by the Junior Chamber of Commerce and served on the Salvation Army Advisory Board. He was Past Council Commander of Woodman of the World, Live Oak Camp #124, served on the National Fraternal Committee from 1964-1966, and served on the National Legislative Committee. Mr. Watson was awarded Mr. Woodman of the World in 1954. Surviving are: one daughter, Dianne W. Ray and her husband Charley of Conway; two grandchildren, Jennifer Ray Parker and her husband Hackney of Wilmington, NC and Joey Ray of Murrells Inlet; two sisters, Louise Daniels of Litchfield Beach and Gladys Humphries of Florence; one sister in law, Inez Watson of Florence and numerous nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 AM Tuesday at First Baptist Church of Conway with Rev. Bob Guffey and Rev. Robert Lewis officiating. Entombment, with Masonic Rites, will follow in Hillcrest Chapel Mausoleum. The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 5:30 until 7:30 PM Monday. The family would like to extend a special "Thank You" to Caring Hands of Georgetown and the wonderful sitters and staff at Kingston Nursing Center. Memorials may be sent to the First Baptist Church, 603 Elm Street, Conway, SC 29526, the Shriner's Crippled Children's Hospital, 950 West Farris Road, Greenville, SC 29605, or to the Conway Medical Center Foundation, C/O Conway Medical Center, 300 Singleton Ridge Road, Conway SC 29526. Sign an online guestbook at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS I WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER HUBERT AND MILDRED MY SISTER HIS WIFE WHEN THEY VISIT US IN CALIF AND WE HAD A WONDERFUL TIME.##imported-begin##RAYLON&DORIS CHILDRESS##imported-end##

February 09, 2011 at 04:42 PM



“ Hubert was a good friend to me and my family. We all loved him very much. My thoughts are with you, love to Dianne and family, Jessie##imported-begin##Jessie EdwardsCannon##imported-end##

February 04, 2011 at 11:51 AM



“ Dianne I am so sorry to hear about your Dad I know you will all miss him. My prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Carolyn{Truett}Katona##imported-end##

February 02, 2011 at 10:28 PM



“ As a dear cousin and personal friend, Hubert will always be fondly remembered and missed. We thank God for his life on earth and know he touched many including us with his kindness. We pray God's comfort for the family now. You are greatly loved, as was he.##imported-begin##Louie & Barbara Lawrimore##imported-end##

February 02, 2011 at 01:22 PM



“ Hubert was a good man and will be missed . We really loved him alot.##imported-begin##Sidney and Madeline Spivey##imported-end##

February 02, 2011 at 10:24 AM



“ Diane: I am sorry to hear about your dad's passing. He was a kind and respectable gentlemen. He and my Uncle Oliver had business dealings and I was present for some of their meetings. I'll be thinking about you all. Mary Benton Cannon##imported-begin##Mary Benton Cannon##imported-end##

February 01, 2011 at 07:25 PM



“ Dianne, We are sorry to hear about Mr. Hubert as he was a loving person. As he always had a SMILE on his FACE when you saw him. As we know he is happy and not in no pain. So we want to send our Condolences & Prayer to all of you. WITH PRAYER TO ALL OF YOU. Margaret/Ronnie Miller and Family##imported-begin##Margaret Miller##imported-end##

February 01, 2011 at 07:20 PM



“ Diane, I am so sorry for your loss. I know that Mr. Hubert is now at home with your Mom and he is a happier man. Him and Daddy will get to see one another also. I buried my Mother in Law in Summerville on Saturday and came home on Monday. I did not find out until today. Please let us know if there is anything we can do for you. May God be with you and your family.##imported-begin##Barbara White Old##imported-end##

February 01, 2011 at 03:28 PM



“ Dear Dianne and Joey, My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. With deepest sympathy, Karen Verenes##imported-begin##Karen Verenes##imported-end##

February 01, 2011 at 12:48 PM



“ With our deepest condolences, Jeff and Ginny##imported-begin##Jeff and Ginny Horowitz##imported-end##

February 01, 2011 at 09:54 AM



“ Diane, Our thoughts are with you. Both your mom and dad were absolutely wonderful people. Their friendship with my mom and dad is something that I will always cherish. The Riley's, the Hipp's and the Watson's, what a group. I am very proud that my parents had your's as such close friends. Much Love, Roy##imported-begin##Roy & Arlene Riley and Frances Moore##imported-end##

January 31, 2011 at 09:14 PM



“ Hubie was one of the most well-liked and respected people we know in the furniture business. His passing is a loss to the industry as well as to the many associates who called him friend and colleague. Warren & Gayle Channel##imported-begin##Warren Channel##imported-end##

January 31, 2011 at 08:44 PM



“ Diane, My condolences to you and your family. Mr. Watson was a "true southern gentlemen".##imported-begin##Judi Leapley##imported-end##

January 31, 2011 at 07:54 PM



“ To know Hubert was to love him!!! He will be missed by everyone that knew him. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family during this difficult time.##imported-begin##Ralph & Jeanette Watson##imported-end##

January 31, 2011 at 05:50 PM



“ With Our Deepest Sympathy##imported-begin##Omar Hillbilly Clan 82 Outhouse #1##imported-end##

January 31, 2011 at 02:50 PM



“ So sorry to hear of Huberts passing, he will be missed by all of us in the Willis Club family. He was truly one of those fine men that are not found too often. I am proud to have known him, and called him friend. Alan Dossenbach##imported-begin##Alan Dossenbach##imported-end##

January 31, 2011 at 02:08 PM



“ Dianne, Charley and family, I was very saddened to learn of the loss of your father, Mr. Watson. He was such a key person in the development of business in Conway over the years and will be missed by all who knew him. I remember him being a very caring, Christian man. My thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family during this difficult time.##imported-begin##Janice S Turner##imported-end##

January 31, 2011 at 01:52 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family. The R&A Marketing Team##imported-begin##R&A Marketing##imported-end##

January 31, 2011 at 01:47 PM



“ Mr. Watson was a close, close friend to my late dad-- Jack H. Page-- the attorney from Conway. My dad enjoyed Mr. Watson so much-- your dad put up with my dad's cigar smoke. Ha. They really went around this large Horry County of ours for property. My prayers to you and your family. It still hurts, missing my dad, 31 years later. I live in my family home in MB at 843-449-5619. Prayers. Linda Page##imported-begin##Linda Page##imported-end##

January 31, 2011 at 01:19 PM



“ Mr. Hubert was a great Man. My life was made rixer for having known him. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. robert##imported-begin##robert rabon##imported-end##

January 31, 2011 at 01:19 PM



“ Dianne and Charley, I was sorry to hear that Mr. Hubert had passed away. He was one of the pillars of Conway and will certainly be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with you both and your family. Respectfully, Lamar Lewis Waccamaw Brick Co.##imported-begin##Lamar Lewis##imported-end##

January 31, 2011 at 01:12 PM



“ Diane and Joey, please accept my sincerest condolences on your loss. Know that my thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. Bobby Infinger##imported-begin##Bobby Infinger##imported-end##

January 31, 2011 at 01:10 PM



“ Dear Dianne and Family: Sorry to hear about Mr. Hubert. My deepest sympathy goes out to you and your family. May God bless and be with all of you always. Your friend, U. A. Johnson.##imported-begin##U. A. Johnson##imported-end##

January 31, 2011 at 12:37 PM



“ We remember Mr. Watson as our friend and for the fine furniture in our new home as young professionals. He was always very kind and friendly in his dealings with us. May God bless your family. Mrs. Mary (Covel) Moore##imported-begin##Cheryl Moore Adamson##imported-end##

January 31, 2011 at 12:35 PM



“ Dianne, Charley, Jennifer & Joey, Hubert was a wonderful man and a true friend. He used to stop by about once a week just to say "Hi". We have missed this a lot. Health problems prevent us from being with you but know our thoughts and prayers are with you.##imported-begin##LEW & KAY SIMMONS##imported-end##

January 31, 2011 at 11:35 AM



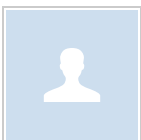
“ Mr Watson was a great man that will be missed by everyone who knew him.##imported-begin##Frances Smith##imported-end##

January 31, 2011 at 11:31 AM



“ Diana, My thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family. Your dad was one of my favorite SHFA Past Presidents and Willis Award Members he always had a story to tell and just being around him made me smile.##imported-begin##Laurie Auman##imported-end##

January 31, 2011 at 10:41 AM



“ I wish Dianne, Charley and family my condolences on the lose of their dad and grandfather. He was a great man and lived a full life. He raised a great family.##imported-begin##Steve DeHaan##imported-end##

January 31, 2011 at 07:14 AM



“ Diane & Charley, We are so sorry to hear about your Fathers death. Without a doubt, he was one of the sweetest and truly sincere people I have ever met. He always made it a point to speak and say something nice to make your day better. We know how much you will miss him, he truly ws a great man.##imported-begin##Marsha & Mike Krajc##imported-end##

January 31, 2011 at 01:00 AM



“ Diane and Family, You are in our thoughts and prayers. Susan and Bill Jones##imported-begin##Susan and Bill Jones##imported-end##

January 30, 2011 at 11:10 PM



“ Dianne, Charley & family, Mr. Hubert was always a gentleman with a kind and warm personality. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this special time. God Bless You,##imported-begin##Tessa Edmondson##imported-end##

January 30, 2011 at 10:22 PM



“ Hubert allowed he to call him 'Uncle' Hebert, and I felt honored to do so, even though here was no blood connection. He and my father Philip were best friends. The International Shriners and the Shriners of Horry County have lost a great Noble. Uncle Hubert will be sorely missed. My prayers are with all the Family. Bob Gray##imported-begin##Bob Gray##imported-end##

January 30, 2011 at 08:57 PM



“ Diane, There aren't any words that I can write to let you know how sorry I am for your loss. Uncle Hubert was a very special person to me and everyone that knew him. I hope you find peace and comfort in the many memories you have of your dad.##imported-begin##Robert Shelley##imported-end##

January 30, 2011 at 07:39 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family in this time of sorrow. Jackie and Mike Watson##imported-begin##Jackie and Mike Watson##imported-end##

January 30, 2011 at 11:33 AM



“ Our thoughts & prayers will be with all of the family! Everyone that knew Mr. Hubert loved him dearly! Dorothy Jordan Dunn##imported-begin##Dorothy Jordan Dunn##imported-end##

January 30, 2011 at 10:28 AM



“ Diane, Charley and Family, May the peace which comes from the memories of love shared, comfort you now and in the days ahead. Hubert was one of Dad's favorite cousins. Anthony Wise##imported-begin##Anthony Wise##imported-end##

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