



Johnson Crawford, Jr.

May 21, 1932 - May 1, 2011

Johnson Crawford Jr. (Jack), of Pawleys Island, South Carolina died May 1, 2011, after a long battle with cancer.

Jack was born in Knoxville, Tennessee May 21, 1932, the son of the late Johnson Crawford and Jane King Crawford. Jack grew up in Jefferson City, Tennessee and Austinville, Virginia where his father was a geologist with New Jersey Zinc. He graduated from Staunton Military Academy and received his Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Virginia where he was a member of Sigma Chi fraternity. He served two years as a radar officer in the U.S. Army, stationed at Fort Totten in Queens, New York. He returned to the University of Virginia where he earned an MBA degree from the Darden School.

Jack worked for Procter and Gamble marketing their products first within the United States from Cincinnati, Ohio and then for their International division in Scandinavia from the London headquarters. While in England, Jack and his family lived in Newcastle Upon Tyne and Gerrards Cross, and made full use of the opportunity to travel extensively throughout Europe.

Upon returning to the United States, he bought Service Gas Co. Inc. in Wytheville, Virginia which he operated for ten years. After selling Service Gas, he founded Wordsprint Inc., a commercial printing company which he operated until his retirement to Pawleys Island in 1994. While in Wytheville, he was a member of St. John's Episcopal Church where he served as Junior and Senior warden. Jack was past President of the Wytheville Rotary Club

and received the Paul Harris Fellow award. He also served on the advisory board of Dominion Bank and the Wythe County Community Hospital.

For a fourteen-year period when retirees from all over were moving to the Grand Strand, Jack launched his post-retirement career, introducing the world of computer technology to scores of adult students every semester from 1994 through 2008. Sharing his skills and his collection of computers, he taught for Senior Semesters, Campus Brookgreen, Community Learning About Special Subjects (CLASS) and the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) at Coastal Carolina University.

Jack loved living in the Low Country, enjoying the hot summers and fishing, crabbing and boating in the creeks of Murrells Inlet and took pleasure in simply putting his feet in the ocean. Jack was also a great lover of literature, poetry and music.

He was a member of All Saints Church where he was a lay reader and a lay Eucharistic Minister. Jack was very active in 242 and Bible study groups.

Jack is survived by his wife Ann Turley Crawford, at home; two daughters, Julia Turley Crawford, at home, and Jane Crawford Baumgardner, widow of Jerry L. Baumgardner, of Lawrenceville, New Jersey; four grandchildren, Kathryn Baumgardner Wilson and her husband Scott of Brooklyn, New York, Sarah Baumgardner McKee and her husband Mark of New York, New York, William Hicks Baumgardner of West Chester, Pennsylvania, and John Crawford Baumgardner of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; two great grandchildren, Charles William McKee of New York, and Eloise Painter Starling Wilson of Brooklyn; a sister, Ann Crawford Newland and her husband the Reverend William T. Newland of Leesburg, Virginia; and three nephews, Michael and William Newland of Ashburn, Virginia, and John Newland of St. Paul, Minnesota.

Visitation will be at his home Monday evening, May 2, from five until seven.

The funeral service will be held on Tuesday, May 3 at eleven o'clock at the All Saints Church (Old Church) with the Reverend Robert L. Grase, Jr. officiating. Burial will follow in All Saints Cemetery.

An online guest book is available at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com

In lieu of flowers, the family encourages contributions in Jack???'s name to the charity or cause of your choice.

The family wishes to thank and commend Tidelands Hospice for the excellent care given.

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

All Saints Episcopal Church Cemetery

Pawleys Island, SC 29585

Tribute Wall



“ *Vincent Malena lit a candle in memory of Johnson Crawford, Jr.* ”



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