



Walter Laird Staley Jr.

November 10, 1933 - July 6, 2025

Mt. Pleasant, SC.....It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Walter Laird Staley Jr. on July 6th, 2025, in Mount Pleasant, South Carolina.

Laird, Ghandi or Poppy as he was also known, was born on November 10th, 1933, in Bucksport, South Carolina. He met and fell in love with Martha Ann Roberts from Conway. They married in 1955 and together had two children, Kimbaly and Walter Laird III. Laird earned his Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering from Clemson University in 1959 and was forever proud of his school. He then served in the Army at the Pentagon, before building a distinguished career in the construction industry as a professional engineer. An astute businessman, he founded The Staley Company in 1991 which was continued on by his son, Walter Laird Staley III.

Laird was an avid golfer and occasional fisherman. For many years, he was a Masters golf tournament season ticket holder. Some of the highlights of his life playing golf were playing the Masters course at Augusta National Golf Club and playing at St. Andrews Links in Scotland. He took great pride in maintaining an immaculate house and yard, winning yard of the month on more than one occasion. Laird was preceded in death by his father Walter Laird Staley, Sr., mother Bertha Paul Staley and his son Walter Laird Staley III.

A dedicated member of the First Scots Presbyterian Church of Charleston, Laird was a deacon and valued leader of the church. He was a devoted Christian who gave his life to the Lord.

Laird is survived by his wife of 70 years, Martha Ann Roberts Staley, daughter Kim Young, daughter-in-law Susan "Susie" Staley, grandchildren Ian Young (Rebecca), Adrian Young (Adrienne), Alison Young, Rachel Edison (Tylor), Walter Laird Staley IV, great grandchildren Wesley Edison and Penelope Young, sister Elaine Winburn, as well as multiple cousins, nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be held at 3:00 PM Saturday, July 19th, 2025, at Hillcrest Cemetery in Conway, South Carolina.

In lieu of flowers please give a donation to First Scots Presbyterian Church 53 Meeting Street, Charleston, SC 29401 or a charity of your choosing.

Sign an online guestbook at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com

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

Cemetery Details

Hillcrest Cemetery

1000 Highway 544
Conway, SC 29526

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JUL 19. 3:00 PM.

Hillcrest Cemetery

Tribute Wall

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“ *To the best brother a girl could ever have I will miss y0u forever more.*

Elaine S Anderson - July 27, 2025 at 11:34 AM

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“ *Our sincere condolences for the loss of your loved one. May cherished memories and earnest prayer bring comfort for family and friends at this time. Isaiah 41:10*

Kathryn - July 16, 2025 at 02:54 PM

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“ *We as the Edgar Graham family of Conway, SC knew the Staley family, of then the Bucksport Community, SC all our lives. Our oldest brother and sisters, Vonzo, Shirley, Mary Ruth & Ned were in the near or around the same grades at Conway High School as Laird and Elaine. Many great memories of the Staley family and our family back in the 1950's. Our sincere condolences to the Staley family. The Edgar Graham children*

Tessa G. Edmondson - July 14, 2025 at 01:06 PM

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“ My name is Johnny Jones from England. I want to share my testimony on how I and my wife were able to adopt our lovely kid from Pastor Paul who we met online. I and my wife love kids so much and we have always thought of adopting 1. When I saw various testimony about Pastor Paul how he had given out children for adoption, I thought it was all fake. But something in me kept on pushing and insisted that I reach out to him. I followed my instinct and reached out to him and told him that I am interested in adopting a child. We did all the necessary paperwork and they gave my kid to their reliable agent to bring for me. This is their email address: Christchurchorphanage@gmail.com and their website is: Christchurchorphanage.blogspot.com I and my wife are saying a big thanks to you Pastor Paul. Contact them now and I assure you that all your heart desires shall be granted unto you and you will smile.

Johnny Jones - July 14, 2025 at 10:36 AM