



James Richard Wheat

February 6, 1924 - November 14, 2016

James Richard Wheat, a quiet, gentle man of great faith passed away on Monday, November 14, 2016 at his home surrounded by family. He was born in Douglas County on February 6, 1924. He graduated from Douglas County High School and then proudly served in the U.S. Army during WWII from March 1943 until December 1945. He drove a 2 and half ton truck hauling food, personal and ammunition for Company L, 472 QM truck regiment in the China Burma India Theater operations. He retired from Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company at the age of 56 to become gentleman's farmer for the next 35 years before becoming ill. After moving to Coweta County in 1989, Richard and Joyce, the love of his life, married for 46 years, joined White Oak ARP Presbyterian Church where he was a faithful member and the oldest member for many years.

He is preceded in death by his beloved wife Joyce McKoy Wheat; his parents Samuel J Wheat and Lila Thrasher Wheat; brother S.J. Wheat and two sisters Louise Harper Gordon and Nancy Lee Wheat.

He is survived by two daughters, Melanie Whitehead and Camille Wheat, both of Senoia GA. Three grandchildren, David Roberts, Donna Boggis and her husband Jeff Boggis and Dixie Tow and her husband Shane Tow. She is also survived by great grandchildren, Ian Tow, Kaity Tow, Brandon Boggis, Olivia Boggis and his sister Mary Wheat Townsend.

The funeral service is Saturday, November 19, 2016 at 2:00 PM at White Oak Associate Reformed Presbyterian church with Pastor Mackay Smith

officiating. Burial will follow the service at the church cemetery. The family will receive friends on Saturday from 1 PM until service time at the church. Flowers are welcome but those who wish to make a memorial contribution may do so to the White Oak Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church building fund at 2796 Gordon Road, Senoia GA 30276. Condolences may be expressed to the family online at www.mckoon.com.

McKoon Funeral Home 38 Jackson Street Newnan GA 30263 770-253-4580

Cemetery Details

White Oak Assoc. Reformed Presbyterian Cemetery

2796 Gordon Road
Senoia, GA 30276

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **19**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

White Oak Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church
2796 Gordon Rd
Senoia, GA 30276

Service

NOV **19**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Tammy Dean lit a candle in memory of James Richard Wheat*



Tammy Dean - November 28, 2016 at 03:04 PM

BA

“ *It was an awesome experience to grow up across the street from Dick and Joyce Wheat. They were wonderful, caring neighbors to my entire family. When my Dad, who was suffering from cancer and could no longer walk, Dick Wheat mowed the yard for my parents. The Wheat and Quinn family lived by the motto that neighbors help neighbors. We can rejoice in the fact that Dick and Joyce are now reunited in heaven. May God surround each of you with his loving arms and give you comfort at this time.*

Pat and Barbara (Quinn) Fox

Barbara - November 19, 2016 at 09:33 AM

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“ *I worked with Dick's wife Joyce at Chevron for over twenty-five years we rode together to the Marietta office until she retired. They were a special couple to me. Although we did not stay in touch, we did exchange Christmas cards over the years. We were so sorry to learn of his passing and we extend out sympathy to all of the family. We send our love and prayers for God's amazing grace to sustain each of you during the coming days.*

Bob Wallace

Robert (Bob) WALLace - November 19, 2016 at 08:46 AM

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“ *Such a great man. He would cook the most delicious meals and share them with Camille's co-workers and friends. I use so many of the recipes he shared. Mr. Richard was such a gentle soul with a loving, giving, sharing, caring spirit. One of the greatest.*

Debbie Flourney

Debbie Flourney - November 17, 2016 at 07:01 AM