



Robert Wright Bridges

June 29, 1926 - February 7, 2012

Robert Wright Bridges, Jr., 85, of Newnan, died Tuesday, February 7, 2012, of pancreatic cancer at his residence.

He was born June 29, 1926, in Prattville, Ala., to Robert W. Bridges and Grace Reynolds Bridges.

He was a graduate of Newnan High School and attended Georgia Institute of Technology.

He was a Navy veteran of World War II, serving with an amphibious division in the South Pacific. He took part in landing invasions including Oromar, Lingayen Gulf, Iwo Jima and Okinawa. His first ship was the U.S.S. Gen. Wm. Mitchell (AP-114), but he transferred and served longer aboard the U.S.S. Cofer (DE 208/APD-62).

After the war he worked in his father's shoe store, The Bootery, in downtown Newnan. He later worked for several branches of the federal government, retiring from the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Mr. Bridges is survived by his wife, Martha Young Bridges; daughters, Carol Bridges Flood and son-in-law, John Flood of Seward, Alaska; Cathy Bridges Moran and son-in-law Douglas Moran of Flowery Branch, Ga.; and Martha Bridges Woods and son-in-law DeVere Woods of Terre Haute, Ind.; sister, Elaine Bridges Seegar of Hermosa Beach, Calif.; granddaughters, Rebecca Moran McGrew of Ventura, Calif.; Laura Moran of Atlanta; and nephews, Michael Stallings of Anchorage, Alaska; and Ronald Stallings of Seward, Alaska.

Visitation will be held Friday, February 10, 2012, 10:30 a.m. at McKoon Funeral Home in Newnan, with a memorial service following at 11 a.m. His ashes will be scattered in the South Pacific at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Embracing Hospice Foundation, 5775 Peachtree Dunwoody Road, Suite D-580, Atlanta, Ga., 30342, 877-434-8285, or www.ahhospicefoundation.org; or to the charity of your choice. Online condolences may be expressed at www.mckoon.com.

Cemetery Details

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory

38 Jackson Street
Newnan, GA 30263
(770) 253-4580
care@mckoon.com
<http://www.mckoon.com>

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **10**. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Service

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Tribute Wall

TS

“ Dear Bridges family, all my love and prayers to all of you. Your father was a very independent man with dignity and pride he left this world. I am honored to have known him and also blessed to have met all of you and you guys are my friends now. We went on a journey together that will forever be etched in my heart. Marty you were and are my friend. Cathy you were a sweetheart and I miss all of you!

Terry shaw - February 13, 2012 at 11:51 PM

PV

“ Marweese--- So sorry to hear this about Robert. When I was about 5 years old He and Bill Summers would ride me on their shoulders and toss me from one to the other. I'll check with Reyn to see that she knows. Paden

Paden Vineyard - February 09, 2012 at 07:48 PM

DM

“ I was on board the USS COFER with Bob, but did not know him too well then, but then the reunions started and I got to know him better, he was great to talk to about the action he was in before he came on the Cofer He put on a great time when we were in GA. Smooth sailing Bob.

Don Mericle - February 09, 2012 at 03:43 PM

DS

“Marty, My family and I have been praying for you through this time. Your father accomplished much and I am sure you are all proud. He touched many lives and many we dont know about. The closeness between a father and his daughter is something to be treasured. May you treasure your memories and the love you had for your father. All our love, The Stone Family

Denise Stone - February 09, 2012 at 03:20 PM

AH

“Dear Marty and family- Ray and I are praying for ya'll during this time of grief and adjustment. I'm glad that you were able to be there during his last few days on this earth. We pray God's comfort and strength for you and the family during this time. We love you! Ray & Ann

Ann Hogue - February 09, 2012 at 10:18 AM

JB

“Dear Marty and family, So sorry to hear of your Dad's passing and please know that love and prayers are going out to you. Your father sounded like a wonderful man and a patriot of our Country and you should be so proud to have had him as your Dad. I know that he is surrounded in light and the love of our Saviour, Jesus. Love, Jean

Jean Brown - February 09, 2012 at 08:34 AM

WM

“Anchors Aweigh My Friend. My father, Edwin Boyd served on the Cofer DE208. Just want to let your family know that my sister, Courtney Boyd Fall and I send prayers and condolences your family.

Whitney Boyd McMahan - February 09, 2012 at 05:39 AM