



## John Wendell Patton

November 27, 1943 - November 6, 2022

On November 6, 2022, John Wendell Patton passed away at home in Bethlehem, Georgia at the age of 78. Wendell was preceded in death by his parents John Harrison and Ruby Lee Nora Patton, sister and brother-in-law Carolyn and Jimmy Alford, and nephew Art Alford. He is survived by his loving wife of twenty-one years, Donna Patton; children Robyn (Stephen) Heibel of Golden, Colorado, Allyson (Christopher) Robinson of Lawrenceville, Jay (Sally) Patton of Atlanta, Marlena (Bill) Wragg of Monroe and Jacob Patton of Monroe; niece Theresa Alford of Commerce; grandchildren Trey Pope, Connor McMillan, Sarah (Ethen) Parks, Mallory McMillan, Jake Robinson, Emma Robinson, Chase Robinson, Shaw Patton, Nora Patton, Mary English Dorn, Savannah Wragg, Colton Patton; great-grandchildren Stevie Parks and Baby Girl Parks. Born in 1943 on Collins Hill Road in Lawrenceville, Wendell graduated from Central Gwinnett High School, Class of 1961, and went on to create a construction/development business and later worked in automobile sales, notably at Arrington Blount Mercury Lincoln and Patton Motors of Lawrenceville. He was a member at Ebenezer Baptist Church in Dacula for many years, serving as greeter and attending men's Bible study. Additionally, he volunteered every week making deliveries for StreetWise Georgia Food Bank. Wendell was known for being a wonderful and loving father/grandfather, a talented piano player, his sense of humor and charismatic personality. He was often telling hilarious stories or playing practical jokes on his friends/family. He was a life-long member of Sexton Farm in Mitchell where he

enjoyed hunting, and he loved to cook, faithfully guarding his secret recipe for barbecue sauce. Services for Wendell will be held 2:00 PM, Thursday, November 10, 2022, at Ebenezer Baptist Church, 2570 Harbins Road, Dacula, GA The family will receive friends 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM, Wednesday, November 9, 2022, at Tim Stewart Funeral Home, Lawrenceville, GA. In lieu of flowers the family asks that donations be made to the American Cancer Society (cancer.org) or Ebenezer Baptist Church in Dacula, GA. Arrangements by Tim Stewart Funeral Home, 300 Simonton Road, Lawrenceville, Georgia 30045. 770-962-3100. Please sign the online guest registry at [www.stewartfh.com](http://www.stewartfh.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **9**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Tim Stewart Funeral Home Lawrenceville  
300 Simonton Road SW  
Lawrenceville, GA 30046

## memorial service

NOV **10**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Ebenezer Baptist Church  
2570 Harbins Rd  
Dacula, GA

# Tribute Wall



“ *Tim Stewart Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of John Wendell Patton*



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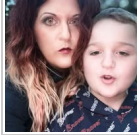
**Tim Stewart Funeral Home** - November 07, 2022 at 04:54 PM

Jl

“ *I am so glad our paths crossed you were a inspiration to me and many.... Rest in Paradise my friend— Jim Goodman*

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**jim** - November 09, 2022 at 10:28 PM

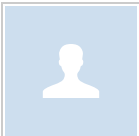


“ He gave me the greatest gift anyone can give another person — he believed in me. I will always consider him to be an important mentor and friend. I was so lucky to know him. He has been a role model for me since i was growing up and never missed an opportunity to proudly arrive first at the most important events in my lifetime. I learned so much from him, and I’ll always remember his words of wisdom. Thank you for being such a big part of who I am today. - Joel



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**Brittany Herrington** - November 09, 2022 at 01:05 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of John Wendell Patton.



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November 09, 2022 at 12:55 PM



“ Donna, I am so sorry for your loss, love you!

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**Sandra Shafer** - November 09, 2022 at 08:24 AM

SG

“ *Shellie & John Moll and Toni Griffith purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of John Wendell Patton.*



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**Shellie & John Moll and Toni Griffith** - November 08, 2022 at 06:31 PM

SS

“ *Storm System Services purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of John Wendell Patton.*



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**Storm System Services** - November 08, 2022 at 06:23 PM



“ *Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of John Wendell Patton.*



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November 08, 2022 at 02:48 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of John Wendell Patton.*



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November 08, 2022 at 01:34 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of John Wendell Patton.*



November 08, 2022 at 01:09 PM



“ *Karen Howell;Jonathon Wetherington purchased the A Full Life for the family of John Wendell Patton.*



**Karen Howell;Jonathon Wetherington** - November 08, 2022 at 12:51 PM



“ *Sherry and David Cofield purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of John Wendell Patton.*



**Sherry and David Cofield** - November 08, 2022 at 11:40 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of John Wendell Patton.*



November 08, 2022 at 11:04 AM

GE

“ GCPS Department of Special Education purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of John Wendell Patton.



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**GCPS Department of Special Education** - November 08, 2022  
at 08:54 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of John Wendell Patton.



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November 08, 2022 at 08:23 AM



“ *Peace Eternal Wreath* was purchased for the family of John Wendell Patton.

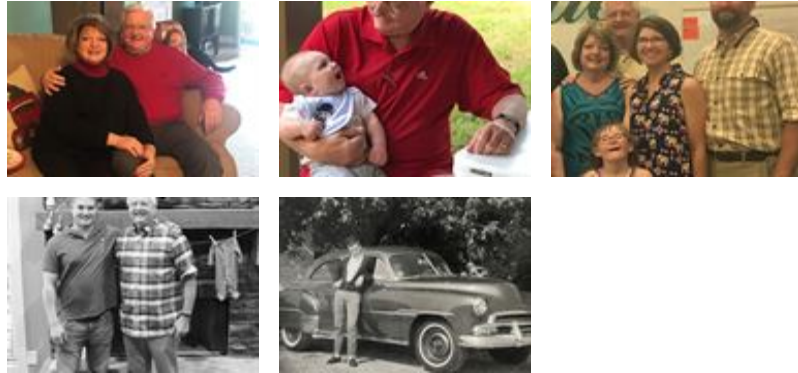


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November 07, 2022 at 09:30 PM



“ 52 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Tim Stewart Funeral Home** - November 07, 2022 at 04:51 PM



“ *Wanda & Bobby Kirkpatrick lit a candle in memory of John Patton*



**Wanda Kirkpatrick** - November 07, 2022 at 04:45 PM

JS

“ There are so many great memories I have of Wendell, but one of the funniest one is as you all know he could tickle those ivories on the piano. We'll I always wanted to play the piano so I had the bright idea that Wendell could teach me, I ask him and he said sure. So here we go. The first day went as expected not much progress. We had our next lesson well not much difference. This went on for about a week or two. We'll I knew by now his patience Had to be thinning , I sat down at the piano and started to practice and he put his hand on mine and with a quirky smile on his face he said , Jan I'm sorry but you just can't play the piano 🤦🤦. He didn't have to tell me I already knew it was hopeless. He hugged my neck and said oh well we tried😭. You will be sorely missed my friend now go rest high on that mountain until we meet again .Amon and I love and will always cherish our time and friendship with you 🙏❤️❤️

jan sexton - November 07, 2022 at 03:42 PM

AT

“ Wendell Patton was the most wonderful Uncle a girl could have. It tickled Wendell when I told him he made me feel like his favorite niece (even though I am the only one). I could always count on Wendell to assist in any situation that might arise. His Sister and my Mother, Carolyn Patton Alford, loved him dearly and treasured his visits. She insisted that Wendell speak at her funeral and he did. No one could have been more loving and eloquent. They're too many fond memories and hilarious moments to list. I am so proud that he was such wonderful part of my life. In loving memory, Theresa Alford, his Neice.



Alford Theresa - November 07, 2022 at 03:30 PM