



Robert "Bob" Oertel

April 21, 2018

Robert "Bob" Oertel, age 100, of Lawrenceville passed away on Saturday, April 21, 2018. He was a life-long conservationist and worked for the Soil Conservation Service for 40 years. After retirement, he wrote over 800 agricultural, environmental, and personal stories for various publications. An avid volunteer, he was a photographer for 40 Christian Youth Work Camps. He loved gardening, flowers, and fishing and was never idle.

Funeral services will be held at 11 AM on Friday, April 27, 2018 at Fairview Presbyterian Church in Lawrenceville. Interment will follow at 3:30 PM at Oconee Hills Cemetery in Athens, GA.

Bob is preceded in death by his wife, Mae Oertel; wife, Jane Oertel; son, John Oertel and daughter, Julia Estella Scott. He is survived by daughter and son-in-law, Anne and David Hull, Martinez; daughter and daughter-in-law, Leila Oertel and Robin Heard, Hohenwald, TN; and daughter and son-in-law, Roberta and Barry Freeman, Huntsville, AL; loving companion, Issy Weaver, Lawrenceville; brother Leland Oertel, Brighton, IL; three grandchildren; seven great grandchildren; and numerous family and friends.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Fairview Presbyterian Church.

The family will receive friends from 12-2 PM on Friday, April 27, 2018 at Fairview Presbyterian Church. Arrangements by Tim Stewart Funeral Home: 300 Simonton Rd. SW Lawrenceville, GA 30046. 770-962-3100. Please leave online condolences at www.stewartfh.com.

Cemetery Details

Oconee Hill Cemetery

Athens, GA

Previous Events

Funeral Service

APR 27. 11:00 AM (ET)

Fairview Presbyterian Church
Lawrenceville, GA

Visitation

APR 27. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Fairview Presbyterian Church
Lawrenceville, GA

Tribute Wall

PT

“ I am so late in adding to Bob's Tribute Wall. Bob was our neighbor. The best neighbor anyone would want. Case in point. He was kind enough to come over to my house and visit. He came over to check on me to see how I was doing after tearing my achilles playing softball. After our conversation, he went back to his house and then came back with his lawn mower and proceeded to mow my front lawn. After about 10 minutes my 10 year old son came home and checked in how I was doing. I told him I was doing ok but would he relieve Bob mowing. He agreed and took over mowing. Bob came in and we chatted. All of the sudden, we heard my son yelling and jumping around the yard.. Turns out, my son mowed over a bees nest. Long story short, if my son didn't take the bees attack, Bob, would have died.



Bob was the best neighbor anyone could ask for!!!!

Peter Tamblyn - November 19, 2022 at 10:36 PM



“ Robert "Bob" Oertel

October 08, 2022 at 11:31 AM

NP

“ My deepest sympathy to family and friends. I met Bob about 30 years ago when he visited a farm I was working on in Morris County, NJ. He was a very nice person and we have since corresponded over the years since he was a life member of the Soil and Water Conservation Society, as I am. Rest in Peace Bob.

Nancy Paolini - May 04, 2018 at 11:05 AM

AH

“ 0 file added to the tribute wall

Anne Hull - April 28, 2018 at 03:30 PM

CM

“ I am very sorry to hear of the loss of Bob. One thing I remember most is him coming into the Green Tomato while I was his and Issy's server say "hot tea hot tea". My condolences are with Issy and family. Christine McDaniel

Christine McDaniel - April 27, 2018 at 02:18 PM

LF

“ To the family of Bob Oertel: As a co-worker I became friends through our interest in soil science, and soon found we both had interest in fishing and gardening. One of my fondest memories involved a three day fishing trip, in the late 60's, to Jungle Den fishing camp on Lake George, Florida. We all fished from a 15 foot fishing boat and at times all four of us had fish on at the same time. It was real comical, but fun. That same day there was a total eclipse of the sun, and we still caught fish. With sincere thoughts and sympathy. Louie Frost

Louie Frost - April 27, 2018 at 11:31 AM

BC

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with Issy and Bob's family. We were so blessed to have spent time with Bob.
Von and Bonnie Cook

Bonnie Cook - April 26, 2018 at 06:45 PM

JS

“ I am so sorry to hear Bob has passed. My condolences to his family and especially to Issy Weaver. My prayers to you and Bob. He is at peace now.

Joan Salman

Joan Salman - April 26, 2018 at 09:55 AM

MG

“ My family and I met Mr. Bob as we all called him about 6 years ago in Athens , Ga. Bob was a wonderful man, an amazing neighbor, and a brother in Christ! The Gooch Group on Milledge Heights will miss you. You will always have a place in my heart Bob!

Micah Gooch - April 25, 2018 at 04:58 PM

GT

“ Group Mission "Workcamps" Trips purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Robert "Bob" Oertel.



Group Mission "Workcamps" Trips - April 24, 2018 at 08:07 PM

BF

“ I am going to miss seeing Bob as I look from the choir loft. He was always so friendly and what a stylish dresser. I love-love-love his red hat!

A very special member of Fairview has gone home to be with God. We will miss him.

Beth Feustel - April 24, 2018 at 07:39 PM

ME

“ We are saddened to hear the news but celebrating with Bob in his new and eternal life. Bob was a Group Mission Trips family legend. He volunteered with our "Workcamp" home repair mission trips all over the United States, serving in most locations as photographer, shooting magnificent photos of the youth, adults, and local residents engaged in transforming the homes and hearts of communities. Bob's years of service even pre-date our staff database records, meaning he served in over 30 sweaty, tiring, exhilarating, meaningful weeklong Jesus-centered experiences over a span of more than 20 years and as recently as 2015. Bob was an amazing servant: funny, clever, crotchety, picky, and wonderful. Well done. We love you. The Group Mission Trips family -- Ft. Collins, Colorado

Mark Ewing - April 24, 2018 at 07:37 PM

LG

“ I looked forward to seeing Bob and Issy in church every Sunday. They were the first couple I met when I started going to Fairview Presbyterian. They even invited me to have lunch with them, which I did. I so enjoyed hearing about their trips and all they had seen. I will miss Bob but know he is now with our Heavenly Father.



Laura Green

Laura Green - April 24, 2018 at 03:59 PM

PD

“ *To Bob's Family:
When we lose a loved one here on earth, we
gain an angel in heaven that watches over us.
May you take comfort in knowing that you
have an angel to watch over you now. We
extend our most sincere condolences to you.*

Patrick Durkin and Stanley Almond

Patrick Durkin - April 23, 2018 at 10:24 PM



BP

“ *Roberta, it was providential that we ran into each other tonight. My
offer to you is sincere; you're in my heart. I'm envisioning your dad
riding that train with eternal joy. Love you,
Brenda Arrington Poss*

Brenda Poss - April 23, 2018 at 08:07 PM

AH

“ *Alicia Hilliman lit a candle in memory of
Robert "Bob" Oertel*



Alicia Hilliman - April 23, 2018 at 05:22 PM

MB

“ *Mary B Berry lit a candle in memory of Robert
"Bob" Oertel*



Mary B Berry - April 23, 2018 at 04:50 PM

PA

“ Pam lit a candle in memory of Robert "Bob"
Oertel



pam - April 23, 2018 at 04:31 PM