



Wallis Edward DeWitt

June 9, 1937 - October 3, 2009

Wallis E. DeWitt, age 72 of Auburn, passed away quietly on Saturday, October 3, 2009 at Embracing Hospice in Snellville, GA. Funeral Services will be held at 11 AM on Monday, October 5, 2009 at Union Grove Baptist Church, Auburn, with Rev. Alan Hall and Rev. Al Sizemore officiating. Mr. DeWitt will lie in state from 10 AM to 11 AM. Burial will take place at 11 AM on Tuesday, October 6, 2009 at Guyton Cemetery in Guyton, Georgia. Born in Savannah, GA on June 9, 1937, he was the only son of E.A. DeWitt and Eva Blanch DeWitt. He married Jeanette Pevey in 1960 and during their 49 years of marriage, they had 3 sons. Wallis graduated from Georgia Southern with a BA and from the University of Georgia with a Masters Degree in Microbiology. He then went on to graduate from Tulane University in New Orleans with a Masters Degree in Public Health. Wallis taught school for 1 year and worked for the Public Health Department in Savannah and for John Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, Maryland. Wallis worked for the CDC in Atlanta for 42 years. He traveled all over the world with his work. Wallis loved his work and those he worked with. They were truly his other family. He enjoyed spending time at his cabin and with his friends at Scaly Mountain, N.C. He also visited his sister in Arizona quite often. His greatest joy was his family and his friends. Those who knew Wallis will miss his cooking and jovial personality. Wallis will long be remembered for his kindness and his generosity to his family and those he came in contact with. He is survived by his wife, Jeanette Pevey DeWitt; Sons and Daughters-in-law: Vince and Bethania DeWitt, Ashley and Suzanne

DeWitt, and Eric DeWitt; Grandchildren: Bethany, Tyler, Leah, Brynn, and Jake DeWitt; Sister: Janelle (DeWitt) Olson of Arizona and a beloved cousin, Elfrieda Alston of Decatur, and many nieces and nephews. Flowers accepted or in lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the ALS Association, Georgia Chapter, 1955 Cliff Valley Way, Suite 116, Atlanta, Georgia 30329 or at www.alsaga.org. The family will receive friends from 2 - 4 and 6 - 8 PM on Sunday, October 4, 2009 at Tim Stewart Funeral Home, 300 Simonton Road, SW, Lawrenceville, GA 30045. 770-962-3100. Please sign the online guest registry at www.stewartfh.com

Previous Events

Service

OCT 5. 11:00 AM (ET)

Union Grove Baptist Church
4080 Fence Road NE
Auburn, GA

Service

OCT 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

Guyton City Cemetery
Guyton, GA

Tribute Wall



“ *Tim Stewart Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Wallis Edward DeWitt*



Tim Stewart Funeral Home - October 03, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Wallis Edward DeWitt*

October 08, 2022 at 11:31 AM



“ *Dear Jeanette,
Please accept my sincere sympathy
with fondest memories.##imported-begin##Wyndell
Cook##imported-end##*

October 13, 2009 at 12:07 AM



“ *Wallis was a blessing to everyone he met. The memory of camping
with him continues to bless us deeply. Heaven will have tasty - and
very safe - food!
Jim & Josh Hicks, Dothan, AL##imported-begin##Jim
Hicks##imported-end##*

October 12, 2009 at 11:45 AM



“ Dear Jeanette -- I was so sorry to hear about Wallis. I know what a tremendous loss that is for you and your family.

My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Sincerely,

Sarah Diamond##imported-begin##Sarah Diamond##imported-end##

October 08, 2009 at 04:02 PM



“ We will miss Wallace. The service was sweet and a tribute to Wallace & his legacy. It was inspirational to meet the DeWitt family. God bless you all!##imported-begin##Jerry Brown##imported-end##

October 07, 2009 at 03:59 PM



“ May God richly bless you as you move forward in your life.##imported-begin##Don Hicks##imported-end##

October 07, 2009 at 01:29 PM



“ I am sadden at the loss of such a fine man. Wallis always was in a cheerful mood, always smiling. We will all miss him. Jennette, you will be in my prayers and May God Bless you and your family.##imported-begin##Randy Kuykendall##imported-end##

October 06, 2009 at 09:26 AM



“ I have always admired Wallis and he will be greatly missed. Our prayers go out to the family. Love Tony, Kim & Family##imported-begin##Tony & Kim Sweatt##imported-end##

October 05, 2009 at 09:22 PM



“ We are all so sad to hear the news. The DeWitt family will continue to be in our prayers. He was a special, special man with such a love and compassion for people, we will surely miss his kindness, smile and contagious laugh! He will be missed so much.

All our love and thoughts,
The Waterston Family, South Africa##imported-begin##Wendy Waterston##imported-end##

October 05, 2009 at 03:19 AM



“ We are sad to hear of your loss. We will keep you in our prayers. Frank, Anastasia, and Family##imported-begin##Frank and Anastasia Martinez##imported-end##

October 05, 2009 at 02:36 AM



“ Jeanette, Janelle, and Family,
From all Janelle has related to me about Wallis, it is clear he was a fine man and one who shall be greatly missed. You have my deepest sympathy. Sincerely, Carma##imported-begin##Carma Reiss##imported-end##

October 05, 2009 at 12:37 AM



“ My twin Margaret Lackey and I look so forward to our birthday celebrations in Scaly Mountian.
Wallis was such a bright spot at these special events especially when we stood around the piano and had our little "Sing Alongs". A fond memory is the blending harmony of our voices with Wallis Dewitt's beautiful lead singing one of his favorite songs "I Walk With His Hand in Mine".
The Christian example Wallis portrayed showed he did indeed walk with his hand in God's hand. And God led him safely HOME.
Jeanette and the Dewitt family, I pray that the memories Wallis left you will be comforting as you walk through this lonesome valley of grief.##imported-begin##Martha Wood Bass and David Bass##imported-end##

October 04, 2009 at 10:42 PM



“ We have wonderful memories of Wallis in Scaly Mountain. He was a bright spot. His singing, friendly smile, delicious cooking, and outgoing personality are only a few of his outstanding traits. My twin Martha and I would spend birthday weekends in SM and gather for a song fest at Uncle Emmitt’s. Wallis would come with song books, a thoughtful gift, and something delicious to eat. As I reflect on those precious memories, strands of his melodious voice echo in my heart. The phrase, “The man would give you the shirt off his back,” would be an understatement. “The man would give you the car in his yard.” Once when we started to leave, my car would not start. Ron or David would have come to get us; but Wallis would not hear of it. “Take my car,” he said. I drove his car home while mine was being repaired and returned with his a couple of weeks later. Our lives were richer because of him; he made this world a better place; and his absence is so painful. Our sympathy and prayers to Jeanette, the DeWitt family and friends. Ministry appointments prevented our coming to the visitation/service. Please know that our hearts will be there.##imported-begin##Ron and Margaret Lackey, Concord, NC##imported-end##

October 04, 2009 at 10:33 PM



“ Wallis was our buddy in Scaly Mountain. We always looked so forward to his visits and his delicious food. I remeber his faithfulness in visiting us at Highlands Hospital during my husband Vernon Wood's final journey "HOME". The song Wallis sang at Vernon's funeral "Welcome to Heaven My Child" was so beautiful. Truly Vernon was among those at the Gate to welcome Wallis HOME. My love and prayers are with Jeanette and the Dewitt family during this difficult time. Truly I will miss Wallis but he will never be further than a memory away. He stamped his footprints on my heart. Versell Wood###imported-begin##Versell Wood###imported-end##

October 04, 2009 at 10:16 PM



“ We have such fond memories of Wallis... his infectious laugh, his wonderful desserts, his beautiful singing voice. He was loved and will be missed. Please know our thoughts and prayers are with you.###imported-begin##Gregg, Christy, Landon and Peyton Simmons###imported-end##

October 04, 2009 at 10:11 PM



“ my heart feld thoughts and prayers go out to aunt jeanette and family Mom and I have you in our prayers. And will miss him very much,Him and Dad are together and making everyone laugh. All our love Judy and Sherry###imported-begin##sherry henriksen###imported-end##

October 04, 2009 at 09:27 PM



“ Love and prayers. WE KNOW HE HAS EVERYONE LAUGHING IN HEAVEN....

Margie, Chuck, Tony, Bobbie, Charles, Debbie, Patrick,
Mike.##imported-begin##Margie Sweatt##imported-end##

October 04, 2009 at 06:35 PM



“ Our lives have been greatly diminished by the loss of our special friend. We will continue to hold onto and re-visit over fifty years of shared and cherrished memories with Wallis and his family.##imported-begin##H. Harris West##imported-end##

October 04, 2009 at 03:07 PM



“ Dear Jeanette, Janell, & Family

Please except my deepest sympathy in the passing of Wallis. I am his cousin, and my mother was Mildred DeWitt Hinely, we never kept in touch but we were still family. May God be with each of you in the days and weeks ahead as you face life without your husband, brother, father, and grandfather.

My brother called me early this morning and told me he had read about Wallis passing. You have all our love and deepest sympathy. God bless each of you now and always.

With Love, Brenda##imported-begin##Brenda Hinely
Saxon##imported-end##

October 04, 2009 at 08:24 AM



“ We are so sorry to hear about Wallis passing away. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. We have the greatest memories of times spent on Scaly Mountain with Wallis.##imported-begin##Cliff, Eliane, Ginna & Sam Groover##imported-end##

October 03, 2009 at 09:25 PM