



# James E. Faircloth

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### **L**ife Legacy

PERRY-James E. Faircloth, Sr., 86, passed away unexpectedly on Friday, December 29, 2017. The family will visit with friends on Wednesday, January 3, 2018, from 10:00 until 11:00 a.m. at Perry United Methodist Church. Funeral Services will be at 11:00 a.m. immediately following the visitation. Interment will be the same day at 4:00 p.m. in Barrow Memorial Gardens in Winder, Georgia. In lieu of flowers, the family respectfully requests memorial contributions to Perry Public Library. Mr. Faircloth was born in Pitts, Georgia, to the late Elvin and Ruby Clements Faircloth. He grew up in Cairo, Georgia, and continued his education at Florida State University where he received a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting. Mr. Faircloth joined the Navy where he proudly served our country for two years. He then moved to Dawson, Georgia, where he met and married the love of his life, Mariflyn Bridges. Mr. Faircloth became a Certified Public Accountant and soon opened a CPA practice with the late Tom Crittenton and also served on City Council in Dawson. In 1966, he took a job as the Comptroller at Middle Georgia College in Cochran. After three years there, the family moved to Americus where Mr. Faircloth taught Business classes and Income Tax classes as an Associate Professor at Georgia Southwestern College. After nearly 30 years, he retired and moved to Lake Oconee. Mr. Faircloth was a former member of First United Methodist Church in Greensboro. He was a craftsman, often designing wreaths, trees, and other home decor using pinecones or seashells, some of his favorites. Mr. Faircloth's family was always amazed that he would read nearly ten books a week simultaneously, having multiple books in each room to read. He was a voracious reader, setting a wonderful example for his children and grandchildren that no matter where you are in life, you can still read lots of books, which he did without ceasing. He was preceded in death by his loving and devoted wife of 54 years, Mariflyn Bridges Faircloth; and his daughter, Mariflyn Cannon Hatfield. Left to cherish the memories of "Pop" are his children, Mayor James E. Faircloth, Jr. (Patti) of Perry, Leesa DaCosta (Mark) of Athens, and Susan Scott (Jarrod) of Winder; nine grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; a son-in-law, Sonny Hatfield of Lake Park, Georgia; his brother, Jerry Faircloth (Betsey) of Jacksonville, Florida; a niece, Rebecca; and a nephew, Marshall. Condolences for the family may be left in the



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online guestbook at [www.watsonhunt.com](http://www.watsonhunt.com). Watson-Hunt Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements.



## Tribute Wall

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LD

**Lisa Driver** posted:

Mr. Faircloth would come into The Country Kitchen, where I was a server, often to eat. He was such a sweet man and loved his books. (Which he shared several with me). Our company moved and he wasn't able to come there anymore, but we all loved, missed him and thought of him often. I was sadden to hear of his passing, but take comfort in knowing he is reunited with his wife and other loved ones. He made us smile and will always be remembered! Love and Prayers to all.

January 15 at 8:00 PM

GB

**Gayle, Frank And Brandon Borah** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

January 6 at 8:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Jimmy ,I'm sad with you and your family.A great man ,A pleasure to have known him .Psalm 116:15  
Wayne and Margaret

January 2 at 8:00 PM

DS

**Dot And Tom Strickland** posted:

We will always remember Jim and Mariflyn as our friends that we ate out with almost every Friday night, the pine cone and shell wreaths he gave us and our trip to Virginia with them.

January 1 at 8:00 PM

DM

**Debbie Mixon** posted:

May God comfort you all and help you find peace during this difficult time.

January 1 at 8:00 PM

LS

**Larry @ Sandra Sutton** posted:

May God blfess and comfort all of you. Jim was a good friend and confidant of mine for many years. Without his advice and knowledge I would have have become a CPA. Our son, Larry and our daughter, Kim will always cherish the wonderful times they spent with you.

January 1 at 8:00 PM



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**Sheila Durham** posted:

Steve and I send our prayers to Jim's family and friends. We knew he and Mariflyn when they were in Americus and attended Central Baptist Church. They were sweet dedicated Christians. Sheila Durham

January 1 at 8:00 PM

MB

**Mike & Beth Baker** posted:

We are very sorry to hear about Mr Faircloth's passing. You all are in our prayers.

January 1 at 8:00 PM

JD

**Jay Dennard** posted:

Jimmy and family, I was saddened to read of Mr. Faircloth's passing. I have such fond memories of his patience and understanding in attempting to teach me the principles of accounting while I was at Georgia Southwestern. Particularly, I will always recall fondly the Senior Roast of Faculty where I was selected to roast Mr. Faircloth. He was very kind and even laughed at many of my remarks and actions. A true gentleman, I know he will be missed by not only you and your family but by all of us who knew him. Prayers and thoughts are with all of you!

December 31 at 8:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Sorry for your loss. May you find peace and hope by trusting in God. Romans 15:13.

December 31 at 8:00 PM

TH

**The Staff Of Watson-Hunt Funeral Home** posted:

Offering our deepest condolences during this difficult time.

December 31 at 8:00 PM

KT

**Kevin And Tammi Dye** posted:

We are so very sorry for your loss and are praying for your family and loved ones during this time of grief.

December 30 at 8:00 PM



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**Ken And Kim Keuper** posted:

We are very sorry for your loss. Prayers are being lifted.

December 30 at 8:00 PM



**Shelia (Todd) Laws** posted:

Jimmy, Patti, Mitchell and family, I am so sorry for your loss. I remember your Dad from many years ago. Praying that God will comfort you as you hold tight to the many happy memories you each have. Hugs.

December 29 at 8:00 PM



**Stepheny Hatchett** posted:

Patti, Jimmy, and Mitchell, So sorry to hear of Mr. James Faircloth, Sr. death. We are praying for you during this time. Please let us know if we can be of any assistance. Would love to be of any help to you all. Love y'all, Mack, Zach, and Stepheny Hatchett

December 29 at 8:00 PM



**Greer Lasseter** posted:

Mayor and Patti, y'all are in our hearts and prayers.. Your faith is what He was all about. Prayers for all of you. Greer and Lori Lasseter.

December 29 at 8:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

So sorry for your loss. Prayers for you and your family. Faye Wilson

December 29 at 8:00 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring James by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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