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PERRY –

Howard Lee Ekey, 73, passed away in the arms of his loved ones on Wednesday, April 14, 2021. The family will visit with friends on Sunday, April 18, 2021, from 3:00 until 5:00 p.m. at Watson-Hunt Funeral Home. A private burial will take place at Ft. Steuben Burial Estates in Wintersville, Ohio. In lieu of flowers, the family respectfully requests memorial contributions to St. Jude Children’s Research Fund, c/o Window World Cares, 118 Shaver Street, N. Wilkesboro, NC 28659 or Friends of Perry Animal Shelter (FOPAS), P. O. Box 2001, Perry, GA 31069.

Howard was born in Steubenville, Ohio, to the late James E. and Lillian Wallace Ekey. He served his country as a Radio Relay Repairman in the United States Air Force from 1968 to 1972, and was stationed in Lackland, Texas; Keisler, Mississippi A.F.B.; Clark A.F.B in the Philippines; Elmendorf A.F.B. in Anchorage, Alaska; and Tinker A.F.B in Dell City, Oklahoma. He finally called Perry, Georgia, “home” in 1982. Howard retired from Blue Bird Corporation after twenty-one years as a Design Electrical Engineer.

Howard proudly served as President of Camelot Fun & Sun for several years in the 1990s and was still a Board Member to date. Howard was also a member of Perry United Methodist Church. Between the years of 1993 and 2000, Howard spent every Friday night at the Hornet’s Nest preparing pre-game meals. He was an avid numismatist (coin collector and researcher) and enjoyed his friendships at the local coin club. In the summers you could find Howard tending to his garden full of tomatoes, green beans, and peppers. Above all else, Howard loved spending time with his family, especially his grandkids, and walking his dog. He welcomed every opportunity to gather with his loved ones – especially with good food!

Left to cherish the memories they made with Howard are his children, Alyssa Ekey Head (Kevin) of Gainesville, GA, Weston Ekey (Katie) and Chad Ekey (Jessica), both of Perry; eight grandchildren; Pam Ekey; and several nieces and nephews.



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Howard was preceded in death by an infant brother; his parents, James and Lillian Ekey; and his brother, James "Butch" Ekey.

Condolences for the family may be left in the online guestbook at www.watsonhunt.com. Watson-Hunt Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements.



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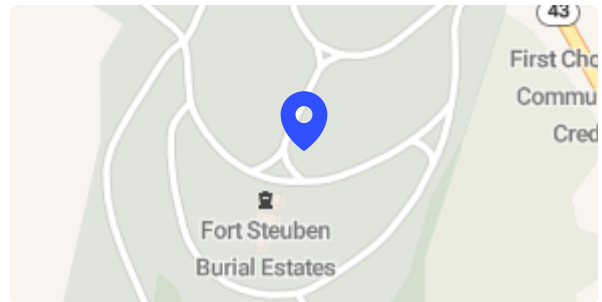
Visitation

- Sunday**, April 18, 2021
- 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM ET
- Watson - Hunt Funeral Home**
1208 Main Street, Perry GA 31069



Cemetery Details

- Fort Steuben Burial Estates**
801 Canton Road, Wintersville OH 43953





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Caroline Little posted:

Our sincere condolences. The Little family. us

April 18 at 7:54 PM



Charles Lee posted:

Howard was always teaching and helping me grow. Gained a lot of experience and knowledge from working together. A smile and a kind word is what comes to mind when I think of Howard. Rest in peace brother.

April 18 at 12:21 PM



Anonymous sent a Healing Tears - Blue and White to the EKEY family.



April 18 at 1:27 AM



Kim Keuper posted:

Pam Alyssa Weston Chad and your family members. Please accept my sincere condolences on the passing of your father. My husband Ken who passed away in July and Howard worked together at Bluebird for many years. Ken was fond of Howard and his quirky sense of humor. Your Dad is resting peacefully in the arms of our Lord. Be kind to your mom in this fragile time. I know she loved Howard and she loves all of you very much. May God bring you all peace comfort and understanding in the days ahead. God bless. Kim Keuper

April 17 at 2:28 PM



Love, Debi Richards sent a Healing Tears - Blue and White to the EKEY family.



April 17 at 7:16 AM



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Pam & Joe Baxter posted:

Our sympathy, prayers and warmest thoughts to all the Ekey family. Joe and Howard first met at Salem Tech and then both accepted positions at International Harvester in Fort Wayne...a friendship that has spanned miles and years as we raised our families. May memories, the care and concern of friends and God's everlasting love be your comfort.

April 16 at 3:24 PM



April Albritton posted:

Mr. Howard will be missed by his Camelot family. He was such a sweet man.

April 16 at 9:21 AM



Anonymous sent a Healing Tears - All White to the EKEY family.



April 15 at 4:00 PM



Weston Ekey posted:

We are all so blessed for the all the time we had with you. Love you

April 15 at 2:54 PM



Linda Linnemeier April 16 at 9:37 AM

Gale and I shared many years of friendship with your Mom and Dad. We have lots of Fort Wayne memories and times we met in Chicsgo and Hilton Head. Howard certainly preserved through all of his health struggles. Prayers for comfort and peace for all of the Ekey family.



Kory Kitchens April 15 at 7:30 PM

Very sorry to hear this Weston. Sending love to your Family!



Memories only last if you share them

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



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