



Douglas Wayne Kearns

December 18, 1944 - June 1, 2023

Mr. Douglas Wayne Kearns, age 78, of Palmetto, GA passed away peacefully Thursday, June 1, 2023.

He is survived by his loving bride of 54 years, Judith Kearns; children, Travis Kearns and his wife, Jessica, Cameron Kearns and his wife, Rachel; grandchildren, Kendra, Tucker, Lilly, McCullough, and Gracie; brother, Fred Kearns and his wife, Suellen; brothers in-law, Wayne Ledbetter, Harold Ledbetter and his wife, Elaine; several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Charles Fred Kearns and Margaret Turner Kearns; his sister in-law, Dianne Ledbetter.

His work ethic and desire to take care of his family lead him to enlist in the Army at age 18 in 1963. He was stationed in Germany from 1964-1965. When he returned home he started working for Delta Airlines in October of 1966 until he retired on December 31, 2001 as a lead mechanic. Doug was a longtime member of Palmetto Baptist Church. He loved mission trips, traveling, eating fried catfish, and spending time with his grandchildren and family.

If you asked a hundred people who Doug Kearns was they would all give the same answer, devoted, loving, Christian man who stood firm in his faith.

A funeral service will be held Thursday, June 8, 2023 at 2 o'clock in the

Chapel of Parrott Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Lee Brewer and Rev. Marshal Faulkenberry officiating. The family will receive friends Thursday from 12:00 p.m. until the service begins at 2:00 p.m. Interment will follow at Holly Hill Memorial Park.

People wishing to honor Doug's lifelong commitment to the Lord and his family can make donations to Palmetto Baptist Church, Building Fund where he served as a Sunday school teacher and Deacon for over 40 plus years.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 8. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Parrott Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Douglas Wayne Kearns



Parrott Funeral Home - June 08, 2023 at 09:26 AM



“ Parrott Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Douglas Wayne Kearns



Parrott Funeral Home - June 05, 2023 at 01:47 PM

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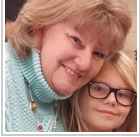
This is such a precious tribute. I will miss him, so much. Love you all!
Sara

Sara Cochran - June 07, 2023 at 03:54 PM

Jojo
Fermin

“ Mr kearns was good bus driver he was good man I'm jojo I was his bus student I miss him everyday

Jojo Fermin - September 20, 2025 at 05:42 PM



“ *Judy and family, we are so saddened to hear of Doug's passing. What a great man he was. David and Sharon Johnston*



Sharon Johnston - June 09, 2023 at 02:06 PM

SR

“ *Judy and family, I was so sorry to hear of Dougs passing. I have so many memories of him on Mission trips. He worked hard and enjoyed a good laugh! I know you are sad, but be comforted in knowing you will see him again. May God bless you with the comfort that only he can give.*

Susan Thomas Reeves - June 08, 2023 at 07:11 PM

KW

“ *Kathy W. purchased the Sentiments of Serenity S pray for the family of Douglas Wayne Kearns.*



Kathy W. - June 07, 2023 at 09:35 AM

JJ

“ *I am sorry for the loss of such a great man of God. Doug was one of the finest men I ever knew. I went to Campbell with Doug, worked a Delta as he did. and the best was at Palmetto Baptist Church. Prayers all the family.*

John Joiner - June 06, 2023 at 05:10 PM



“ Doug was one of our Sunday School teachers, and always taught well, spending many hours researching and studying. We knew him to be very devoted to the Lord Jesus Christ and his family. He set a good example for his children and grandchildren. Al and Betty Powell

Al and Betty Powell - June 05, 2023 at 02:26 PM



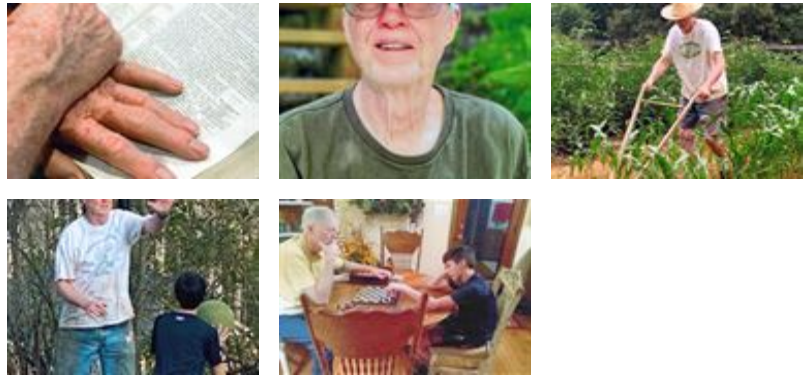
“ Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Douglas Wayne Kearns.



June 05, 2023 at 01:48 PM



“ 71 files added to the album Life Tributes



Parrott Funeral Home - June 05, 2023 at 01:31 PM

AR

“ I am so sorry to hear of Doug's from his temporary home here on earth to his true home in heaven. I didn't get to spend much time with Doug but I was always impressed by his love by his Devotion to Christ, his love and loyalty to his family and friends and his compassion to children. You will be together again i heaven and he will always be with you in memories until that time.



Annie Robinson - June 04, 2023 at 05:42 PM

PD

“ So sorry to hear about Doug! He was on our prayer list at Providence Baptist Church! Prayers for you Judy and all the family! 🙏🙏



Phil & Sandra Davis - June 03, 2023 at 06:56 PM

DH

“ Don Hart purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Douglas Wayne Kearns.



Don Hart - June 03, 2023 at 02:51 PM

LM

“ Judy and family, Fred and I are so very sorry for your loss. Doug was surely a wonderful man of God and a blessing to all who knew him. We will be out of town during the time of service but please know we send our love and prayers- Dougs legacy lives on through all those he touched. May God give you peace and comfort knowing his is in the arms of his Jesus. Fred and Linda McCoy

Linda McCoy - June 03, 2023 at 01:12 PM

LB

“ Judy and family I am so sorry for your loss. I have great memories of us playing in the creek in the woods between the Choate house and Doug's house back in the 1950's. My sincere condolences.
Larry Bradley

Larry Bradley - June 02, 2023 at 04:27 PM

AN

Condolences to Judy and family. Doug was a "salt of the earth" kind of guy. This world is so much better because he was here. We'll see him again ... one glad morning.

- Adrien Neely
1st Thess. 4:13-18

Adrien Neely - June 02, 2023 at 09:17 PM

BW

As a friend, there was no one better at doing it. Doug was as good a friend as I have seen. and to everyone. Doug was proof that Jesus can change a life and he loved to share that experience with all who would listen. I enjoyed Doug and Judy so much as we went together on "Senior trips" and "Mission trips" together. While I was Minister to Senior Adults at Palmetto B.C. they both showed so much support to that ministry. I will miss knowing that Doug's life here is over but that he now is in the presence of Jesus. Judy and family, please know that Jeannine and I are praying for God's comfort and peace be with you. Love in Jesus!

Buddy Waldron - June 03, 2023 at 07:35 AM

MT

Dear Judy and family. It is with a heavy heart that I learned of this news. Douglas was my very first playmate. We lived only yards away, and constructed many towns under his house where we would run those little metal cars (later known to us as Matchbox cars) over our many roads carved out of dirt. I don't think as an adult I ever asked him to forgive me for hitting him in the head right above the eye with a sharp rock. He had to have stitches. I tried to claim that he hit me in the knee with a brick, but no one saw that as being equal to his wound (I had none, just tattled knowing I wasn't hurt). At kindergarten (held in the now brick-colored building that used to be the community center and library right above Wayside Park), Douglas and I would way too often find ourselves in the doghouse - the room to the right as you came in the back door. I specifically remember what got us there once. We decided to roll up our giant coloring sheets and hit each other over the head. But a nicer guy was never born. I grieve for his precious family and his many, many friends. He was my classmate through kindergarten through 12th grade. He was loved by so many. Love to you from Martha Smith Tate

Martha Smith Tate - June 03, 2023 at 05:51 PM