



Eldridge H. "Coots" Turner

September 22, 1919 - July 20, 2019

Mr. Eldridge Hoyle "Coots" Turner, of Newnan, passed away July 20, 2019. He was born September 22, 1919 as part of the Greatest Generation living through the Great Depression and World War II. Coots was a Sergeant Army Air Force where he served for 39 months during World War II, 2 of those years were during combat at Normandy, Russia, Israel, Jordan, Greece, Germany, and Egypt. He earned 3 battle stars for his service during this time. At the end of World War II he went back to work at Wofford Oil Company, which eventually became Unical, where he had started as a mail boy before the war. He retired from Unical as a sales manager after 39 years of employment. Coots was a descendant of Pocahontas. He attended Georgia Tech and graduated from Georgia State University with a Bachelor's of Commercial Science. He earned Eagle Scout during his time with the Boy Scouts. Coots served as Scoutmaster and organized many hiking trails for the youth of the Boy and Girl Scouts. He was a Deacon at Gordon St. Presbyterian Church and an Elder at Bethany Presbyterian Church and Kirkwood Presbyterian. Coots was a member of First Presbyterian Church of Marietta at the time of his passing. He married Dorothy Williams on August 15, 1947 and had two children and two grandchildren. He and his wife enjoyed hiking, camping, and genealogy both writing books on their families that are in libraries where their ancestors lived. He enjoyed traveling all over the United States and overseas. She preceded him in death on January 14, 2011 after 63 years of marriage. He is survived by his daughter, Judith Cooper and her husband, Derwin of

Newnan; son, Eldridge Hoyle "Buddy" Turner and his husband, Gary Davis of Andrews, NC; grandchildren, Craig A Cooper and his wife, Belle-Anne, Janet Whitney and her husband, AJ. A funeral service will be held Monday, July 22, 2019 at 2 o'clock in the Chapel of Parrott Funeral home with Dr. Alan Purdie officiating. Interment will follow at Westview Cemetery. Those wishing may sign the online guestbook at www.parrottfuneralhome.com. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service at Parrott Funeral Home & Crematory, 770-964-4800.

Cemetery Details

Westview Cemetery

1680 Westview Dr., SW
Atlanta, GA 30310

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 22. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Parrott Funeral Home & Crematory
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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Parrott Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Eldridge H. "Coots" Turner



Parrott Funeral Home - July 21, 2019 at 02:50 PM

CW

“ God bless all of Coots family and loved ones. He was a good friend and will be missed at church.

Charlie Watkins

Charles Watkins - July 26, 2019 at 03:50 PM

TD

“ To my favorite patient of all times. You will be missed. Go fly high with those angels.

Teresa Dillow - July 22, 2019 at 06:28 PM

 Amy
Davis

“ Bud,
*The Tribute video and obituary are beautiful. Clearly, your father had an eventful life.
We are so sorry for your loss (and your sister's) as well as Gary's and other survivors.
We can't be there today but will have arms wrapped around you from Marble.
Be comforted. We love you. Amy & Peewee*

Amy Davis - July 22, 2019 at 09:42 AM

JR

“ *So blessed to have had a wonderful family visit this month with Coots. I will have many wonderful memories of our summer visits and his gracious kindness. I know he and Dot, Tee and all the others who went before are having a wonderful reunion and that he was met at the gate by a fine set of his beloved dogs. Every year he sent me a wonderful letter and card at Christmas and I'm happy to have this collection to remember him by.*

Until we meet again, dear Uncle...




Jeanie Roberts-Wyatt - July 22, 2019 at 09:28 AM

CM

“ *What a blessed life Mr. Turner had. Such a good friend to my father. I remember well the many times he and my dad would talk about scouts and Civitan. Buddy and Judy I'm so sorry for your loss. Your dad made such an impact on so many. God bless you and your family. Charlotte (Purdie) Mastropasqua*

charlotte Mastropasqua - July 21, 2019 at 10:33 PM


Courtney
Roberts

“ *We'll always miss you, Uncle Coots - I know I will miss hearing your wonderful Atlanta accent, which always sounds like home to me. It's comforting to know you'll be in good company on the other side, with Bess, and Gladys, and Dot, et al. May we all be together again in paradise.*

Courtney Roberts - July 21, 2019 at 06:43 PM

MH

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Mr. Turner's passing. Some of my fondest memories growing up were in Boy Scouts in Sandtown. None of them would have happened without our Scout Master Mr. Turner. I will never forget weeklong camp-outs every summer, endless hiking at Kennesaw Mountain and scout meetings at the old scout hut with nighttime kick the can and capture the flag games. I still have an old bowie knife I won in a contest that Mr. Turner put together. I cannot remember the contest, but I will never forget the kind words he said as he handed me the prize with his big smile. I am so thankful that he gave back to us kids and know that there are many other old scouts out there that feel the same. Buddy & Judy, I am sorry to hear of your loss. But I am so thankful for the impact your dad had on my life. - Mike Huff*

Mike Huff - July 21, 2019 at 04:23 PM



“ 36 files added to the album Life Tributes

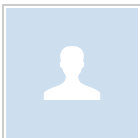


Parrott Funeral Home - July 21, 2019 at 02:26 PM



“ *Bud, my deepest sympathy to you and your family.. Please know that my girls and I are keeping you in our love and prayers. Gary, thanks for sharing this with us.*

Mary Stalter - July 21, 2019 at 02:21 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Eldridge H. "Coots" Turner.*



July 21, 2019 at 10:24 AM

RG

“ My deepest sympathies to you, Bud and Judy, and your families. I have many fond memories of Mr. T (he always wanted me to call him ‘Coots’, but I had know him as Mr. T for 40+ years. May he Rest In Peace with Mrs. T in the presence of Creator. My prayers are with you as a family as you move forward in his absence. Rob Groover

Rob Groover - July 20, 2019 at 11:00 PM

GT

“ GAYLE & BILLY, DEBI & TOMMY purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Eldridge H. "Coots" Turner.



GAYLE & BILLY, DEBI & TOMMY - July 20, 2019 at 10:18 PM

JM

“ I always thought Mr. Turner was so exotic because he grew pansies in a rock garden in his backyard and had intriguing collectibles from his travels locally, nationally, and abroad. Countless time I had the privilege of attending Atlanta Braves games with Judy and Mr. and Mrs. Turner. My life is blessed by having known him.
Jane Campbell Moore

Jane Moore - July 20, 2019 at 04:32 PM

DK

We loved Coots as a friend and as our next door neighbor. He loved working outside, but he always had time for conversation. We will remember him for his sense of humor, his positive attitude, his kindness, and for his obvious enjoyment of life.

Dale and Jennifer Kloet

Dale Kloet - July 21, 2019 at 11:25 PM