



James Henley Turner

July 15, 1934 - July 11, 2023

James Henley Turner, Senior, 88, of Sharpsburg, Georgia, passed away peacefully on Tuesday morning, July 11, 2023, in the comfort of his home accompanied by his beloved wife and family members. His heavenly homegoing was just four days shy of his 89th birthday.

He was born to the late Fred Oxford Turner and Emma Bonita Kearns on July 15, 1934, in Fulton County, Georgia. He is also preceded in death by his youngest son, Fred "Freddie" Oxford Turner, and his brother, Preston Monroe Turner.

At six years old his family moved to Hutcheson Ferry Road in Palmetto, Georgia, where he remained until enlisting in the Army at 21 years old. He served Active Duty in Germany from 1955-1957, followed by four years in Reserve before his discharge. In May 1957, he began working for Delta Airlines at Hartsfield International Airport in Atlanta, Georgia. He specialized in welding and later became a Lead Mechanic for Delta's Department 400 - Welding Shop. This position he held for almost 30 years before retiring in 1993.

James enjoyed spending his retirement years with Barbara Ann (Saye) Turner, his beloved wife of 66 years. Together, they attended churches where she served as minister of music and pianist, most recently at New Hope

United Methodist Church in Chattahooche Hills, Georgia, and Bethany United Methodist Church in Fayetteville, Georgia. A skilled handyman and mechanic, James could figure out how to repair or use most machinery. Even up to his last months, he surprised his grandkids by embracing the digital age, communicating via email on his computer, and researching topics, texting and FaceTiming on his iPhone.

He is survived by two children, James Henly Turner, Junior (wife Kim) and Tracy Lynn Staton (husband Blake); six grandchildren, Alison Joy Schatz (husband Derek), Daniel James Turner (wife Emily), Benjamin Joseph Turner (wife Delaney), Joanna Grace Turner, Hannah Faith Staton, and Caleb Fred Staton; and one sister, Elaine "Sister" Draper.

Visitation/Viewing will be held at Parrott's Funeral Home and Crematory on Thursday, July 13, 2023, from 4:00-5:00 p.m. (family members only) and from 5:00-7:00 p.m. (for the public).

A Funeral Service will be held at Parrott's Funeral Home and Crematory on Friday, July 14, 2023, at 4:00 p.m., with Viewing prior to the Service from 3:00-4:00 p.m.

A special Graveside Service for family and close friends will be held Sunday, July 16, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. at Sardis Baptist Church in Palmetto, Georgia. The Service will be followed by a potluck meal in the church fellowship hall. Attendees are encouraged to bring a side dish to share. This will be a time of fellowship and celebration of James' life with the sharing stories and memories.

Cemetery Details

Sardis Baptist Church Cemetery

8400 Sardis Rd.
Chattahoochee Hills, GA 30268

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 13. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Parrott Funeral Home & Crematory
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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Parrott Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of James Henley Turner*



Parrott Funeral Home - July 14, 2023 at 09:58 AM



Helen Steiner Rice said it best, "After the clouds, the sunshine; after the winter, the spring; after the shower, the rainbow; for life is a changeable thing. After the night, the morning bidding all darkness cease, after life's cares and sorrows, the comfort and sweetness of peace.

Gordon and I wish everyone in James Turner's family comfort and support during this time of sadness. Let your memories of James keep him alive in your hearts until you reunite and join him in eternal life.

God's blessings,

Margaret Kilgore

July 15, 2023 at 02:04 AM

JB

“ *Jayne Bennett lit a candle in memory of James Henley Turner*



Jayne Bennett - September 11, 2023 at 01:42 AM

DT

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Daniel Turner - July 24, 2023 at 08:04 AM

MJ

“ I will cut & remove fallen tree on my property when I am walking again.

MICHAEL JOHNSTON - July 22, 2023 at 03:01 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James Henley Turner.

July 22, 2023 at 02:57 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Henley Turner.



July 22, 2023 at 02:57 PM

FW

“ Jim worked with my Dad Fred Watson at Delta for many years. I met him through my Dad and he was always a fine man.
Condolences to the family.
Chris Watson

FC Watson - July 14, 2023 at 05:06 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Henley Turner.



July 14, 2023 at 10:13 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James Henley Turner.

July 14, 2023 at 08:53 AM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of James Henley Turner.



July 14, 2023 at 08:53 AM

JC

“ I'm sorry I can't be with you today, but Barbara, you and the family are in my prayers.

Jane Cox

Jane Cox - July 14, 2023 at 08:27 AM

BK

“ With Love. Bernard Knox & Family.



Bernard Knox - July 14, 2023 at 07:35 AM

JE

“ Barbara, I am sincerely sorry for your loss of James. He was such a good man. Much love to you and your family.

Janice Eidson Erwin

Janice E Erwin - July 14, 2023 at 06:45 AM

JH

“ Jolee Hynson lit a candle in memory of James Henley Turner



jolee hynson - July 13, 2023 at 10:43 AM

JH

I am so lucky to have had you in my life during my teenage years. You are one of my favorite people.

jolee hynson - July 13, 2023 at 10:44 AM

MT

Barbara, We are so very sorry for your loss. Our prayers and thoughts are with you and the family. Jim was a very special person and we know he is at home with our Lord. We love you. Madge Turner and Betty Hill.

Madge W Turner - July 13, 2023 at 11:12 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of James Henley Turner.



July 12, 2023 at 11:26 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of James Henley Turner.



July 12, 2023 at 09:18 PM

WC

“ With Love, Darren & Cathy Conners purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of James Henley Turner.



With Love, Darren & Cathy Conners - July 12, 2023 at 06:05 PM

WC

“ With Love, Darren & Cathy Conners planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Henley Turner.

With Love, Darren & Cathy Conners - July 12, 2023 at 06:05 PM

AH

“ Anber Saye Hawkins lit a candle in memory of James Henley Turner



Anber saye hawkins - July 12, 2023 at 04:37 PM

AH

He was such a great uncle I just remember all the times he loved to talk and cut up

Anber saye hawkins - July 12, 2023 at 04:37 PM