



John D. Sidey

January 12, 1924 - April 6, 2016

Mr. John D. Sidey of Atlanta passed away April 6, 2016. He was preceded in death by his wife of 67 years, Margie Weston Sidey, grandson, John Sidey, Jr; and sister, Barbara Fadale. He is survived by his son, John Sidey and his wife, Margaret of Sandy Springs; daughters: Jill Sidey Nelson and her husband Dean of Sandy Springs and Janet Sidey Camp and her husband Ricky of Hampton; half-brother, Emil Micha of Staten Island, NY; grandchildren: Kayse Burke (Parker), Meredith Pierson (Geordie), Julie Carpenter (Kasey), Richard Camp (Emily), Paula Sidey, and Robb Sidey (Kim); and 13 great-grandchildren. A memorial service will be held Sunday, April 10, 2016 at 2 o'clock at Southwest Christian Church with Minister Craig Kingston and Minister James White officiating. The family will receive friends Sunday afternoon from 1:00 until service time and also after the service at the church. In lieu of flowers those desiring may make donations to Southwest Christian Care, 7225 Lester Road, Union City, GA 30291. Those wishing may sign the online guestbook at www.parrottfuneralhome.com. Parrott Funeral Home & Crematory. 770-964-4800.

Tribute Wall

KB

“ Please accept my sincere condolences for the loss of Mr. Sidey. My prayer is that you are comforted by Jehovah Gods promise of a resurrection found in his word the Bible at Acts 24:15. Warm
Regrds, KB

K. Banks - April 21, 2016 at 12:00 AM

“ To the family of John D. Sidey,

Today I was listening to a sermon from SWCC and in it Craig referred to the time when John had done a tandem skydive for his 90th birthday. Craig was talking about how we were to be “yoked” with Jesus so that Jesus would carry the burden with us and he used John’s tandem skydive as a modern example of being “yoked” with someone. He did, however, also say that John had made many solo dives in the past.

When I did my one and only tandem dive, John got me a t-shirt, hat, patch, and key tag all with dive related items on them. I still have and cherish them. My one dive was a special way in which John and I could share an experience and he enjoyed a good laugh – the t-shirt was a “Grim reaper” one with a skydiver on it. He knew that I had been scared, but he believed in celebrating everything that could be celebrated.

I will always treasure the fact that I “coincidentally” ended up being at the bulletin board for the Seniors’ Christmas lunch in Dec 2015 and John was there too. I think we were both sort of trying to decide if we would go or not. I told him I would go if he would save me a seat. He did and I enjoyed that luncheon. He never really talked about his physical ailments. I knew that he had some things going on, but he never really told me them. Instead he kept me and the whole table entertained during the entire luncheon and then he had to leave a bit early because of another event (family gathering?) that he had to be at.

I know that he is at home with God and probably keeping everyone

chuckling. His joy in life and in the Lord were contagious. John and Margie were sort of substitute parents for me after my parents weren't around for me at church on Wednesday nights. I knew that I would always enjoy my time with them and I would leave encouraged – even in the later years when Margie wasn't 100% herself.

When I think of their impact in the church, I doubt if we will ever be able to list them all. One of the main things I remember was that they worked so hard to help people at the church become personally acquainted with the missions and missionaries that the church supported. Anyone that knows the church now, is aware of how mission-minded people are and that is a heritage of John and Margie.

They loved traveling and one of my other memories is when we both “happened” to be in Australia at the same time and they took Diane Miller and me out to eat “bugs” at a restaurant. I wasn't sure that I would like “bugs” and I'm sure John was chuckling the whole time.

Joy and whole-hearted devotion to God are the phrases that come to mind when I think of your parents. Thank you for sharing them with the rest of us.

In Christ,

Martha Wade

Pioneer Bible Translators

Madang, Papua New Guinea

Martha Wade - April 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM

NK

“ *Hope youre with Margie now...miss you so much. Ill never forget you both.*

Nicole Kammerlander - April 18, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you John and Margret.*

Chuck O brien - April 10, 2016 at 12:00 AM

PA

“ *Janet,*

We are so sorry for the loss of your father. We know that he has not really been lost, because we know exactly where he is! With His Savior! Please know that Sara and I love you and Ricky and are praying for you during this sad time of adjustment without your precious father. May God give you peace and comfort in the days going forward.

John and Sara Anderson

2 Corinthians 4:7

Pastor John Anderson - April 09, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ Prayers for comfort for those left behind as this remarkable man moves on to Glory.

Marsha Hughes - April 09, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ John, Janet, and Jill, we share in your loss. We have been there. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all in this time. We love you guys and pray for God to comfort you in your hour of need.

Doug Doran - April 09, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ Thoughts, prayers and much love to the family for your loss. Growing up at the Sidey home was a pleasure that I treasure.

Donna Crook - April 09, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ Please know our hearts are saddened so much by the loss of such a great man as John Sidey. He touched so many lives and his earthly presence will certainly be missed by all. Praying for the Sidey family and keeping you close in our hearts during this difficult time. Love and Bless You, Eloise Cheely and Family

Tammy Cheely Howle - April 08, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ Mr. Sidey was a true gentleman, and I remember with gratitude the times we were together years ago with Jill and Dean. Our love to all of you.

Bill and Kim Barnes - April 08, 2016 at 12:00 AM