



Coach Bob Peck

March 15, 1947 - July 22, 2018

Coach Robert Donald “Bob” Peck, age 71, of Sparta passed away on Sunday, July 22, 2018. Funeral Services will be conducted on Saturday, July 28, 2018 at 10 O’ Clock at the John Hancock Academy Football Field with Brad Lane officiating. Interment will follow in the Sparta City Cemetery. The family will receive friends on Friday evening, July 27, 2018 at Williams Funeral Home in Milledgeville from 4pm until 8pm.

Coach Peck was born in Brooklyn, NY to the late Mr. Donald Peck and the late Mrs. Evelyn Leopold Peck. Coach Peck had a long coaching career, having coached at Carver High School, Roosevelt High, Barnesville Academy, John Hancock Academy , John Milledge Academy, Johnson County High School, Bulloch Academy, Robert Toombs Christian Academy, Jenkins County, Flint River Academy, Thomas Jefferson Academy and He finished his coaching career, having served for the third time, at John Hancock Academy. Coach Peck had made his home in Hancock County since 1998 and was a member of the Pierce Memorial Methodist Church.

Bob was a devoted father, not just to his children Ashley & Ty, but also to so many other kids that he impacted throughout his 46 years of coaching and teaching. He was more than a coach ; he was a mentor and friend also. He was a man of principle and passion, both on and off the field. You may not have always liked what he had to say, but you respected it. Every story involving Coach Peck ended with a lesson or laughter, and most of them both. He was a legend in many ways and his legacy will continue with all the

valuable lessons and unforgettable moments he shared with all he knew. Survivors include a Daughter – Ashley (Eric) Day of Suwanee , a Son – Ty (Caina) Peck of Waycross, 3 Grandchildren – Alec Beyer, Delia Beyer, & Haley Day and his beloved dog, Wilma Rudolph.

In lieu of flowers, Memorial Contributions may be made to John Hancock Academy or Sparta Cemetery Association.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **27.** 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Williams Funeral Home & Crematory - Milledgeville
1670 N. Jefferson St.
Milledgeville, GA 31061
(478) 452-2148
staff@williamsfuneralhome.net
<https://www.williamsfuneralhome.net>

Service

JUL **28.** 10:00 AM (ET)

John Hancock Academy
P.O. Drawer E
Sparta, GA 31087

Tribute Wall



“ Williams Funeral Homes and Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Coach Bob Peck



Williams Funeral Homes and Crematory - July 27, 2018 at 10:37 AM

SS

“ I was so sorry to hear of Coach Peck's death. My son, Chuck Sumner, thought of him as a very dear friend. Chuck met him in his early coaching years and learned so much from his friendship and guidance. I wanted to share this photograph with your family... such good friends together at a happy time. Be assured that Chuck and Bob are together again in a much better place.

Shirley J. Sumner



Shirley J. Sumner - July 28, 2018 at 11:23 AM

ST

“ Bob came to Barnesville Academy in 1977. He coached football, basketball, baseball, and track and I was blessed to have him as my coach. He was only at BA for 3 short years but our friendship has lasted for more than 40 years To this day, every July we host a BA football reunion in his honor. This year our reunion is scheduled for this Saturday, the day we put his body to rest.... I can certainly say these 3 years were some of the best times in my life. Coach had a way to get the most out of every player on the team and he always made practice fun, even the Summer "two a days". Coach was always organized, carrying that clip board to each practice and he keep every stat on every player on every game. He made sure that each game was reported in the local paper because he wrote most of the articles himself. He never was one that wanted the limelight. He always gave the credit to his players. His leadership skills, positive attitude, work ethic, and great sense of humor will never be forgotten. Rest in Peace, Coach... I love you man!!!! (Scott Tenney, BA Warrior Class of 1979)

Scott Tenney - July 28, 2018 at 07:52 AM

ER

“ Ashley, Ty, and family, We are keeping you all in our thoughts and prayers. Coach Peck touched many lives , young and old, in his life. We will remember him at the JHA footballs games, Eddie and Denise Renfroe

Eddie Renfroe - July 27, 2018 at 10:36 PM

JM

“ Jack And Peggy McGee lit a candle in memory of Coach Bob Peck



Jack and Peggy McGee - July 27, 2018 at 03:32 PM

TL

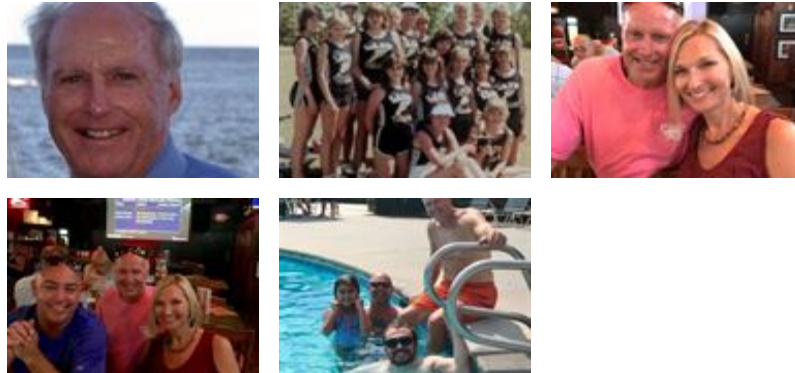
“ I'm so sorry about the loss of Coach Peck. He was my coach and principal at Bulloch Academy. My best friend and I were not doing so well in a history class. We had to get that grade up to play basketball. Coach Peck made us get to school early and he tutored us. With his help we were able to get that grade up and play some ball!! He also had a ball with us on our 7th grade Washington DC trip. Many wonderful memories of this special man!! What an extraordinary person!! My prayers are with you all!



Tara Ellis Lee - July 27, 2018 at 01:15 PM



“ 78 files added to the album Life Tributes



Williams Funeral Homes and Crematory - July 27, 2018 at 09:31 AM

DL

“ I am so very sorry to learn of the loss of Bob. I was a fraternity brother of Bob at Georgia Southern, his roommate at Cheney Gardens at GSC when we were seniors, and a good friend and running mate. Bob was a great and funny person along with being a super athlete. I have many fun and fond memories of our time at Georgia Southern. God bless Bob into His care and provide comfort for his family.
David Luckie

David Luckie - July 27, 2018 at 09:31 AM



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Crystal Walden - July 25, 2018 at 02:56 PM



JHA - B Team Basketball 2007 - I think.

Crystal Walden - July 25, 2018 at 02:59 PM

TC

“ Teresa Callaway lit a candle in memory of Coach Bob Peck



Teresa Callaway - July 24, 2018 at 10:31 PM

JP

“ Ashley and Ty, so many memories come to mind when thinking about your dad and all that he has meant to JHA. I am grateful that he coached both Miranda and Kyle and that they benefitted from the many life lessons he taught both on and off the court. He will be missed. Prayers for comfort for you both.

Jean Perry

Jean Perry - July 24, 2018 at 09:01 PM

MM

“ To Ashley and Ty and the rest of Bobs family-I am extremely sorrow for your loss.

I had the opportunity to know Bob earlier in his life when he was just beginning his coaching career and when Ashley was just a baby.

Also had the honor and privilege of playing ball with Bob on several occasions as well.

He was just a terrific human being.

Mike McLaughlin

Mike McLaughlin - July 24, 2018 at 04:37 PM

CL

“ My husband Johnny and I are so very sorry for your family's loss. Johnny and Bob were fraternity brothers at GA Southern where we spent many fun times together at parties and sports events. He was a great guy and from all we have heard through the years he made the most of his life and impacted the lives of many young people. May God give each of you peace and precious memories.

Cheryl Luckie - July 24, 2018 at 04:11 PM

EJ

“ Elaine Johnson lit a candle in memory of Coach Bob Peck



Elaine Johnson - July 24, 2018 at 01:28 PM

EJ

Praying for family & friends. RIP.

Elaine Johnson - July 24, 2018 at 01:29 PM

TA

Ashley, and Ty, this is Tom Avret who was at Jenkins County with your Dad. I was the head coach and assistant principal, so my time was limited. Your Dad did the practice schedule and a lot of the coaching. He and Chuck Sumner and I played a lot of golf together. Just know that I was sick when I heard of his passing. I loved your Dad like a brother. Please know that my prayers are being lifted up. I will call the others from Millen who were with us. I now live in Sylvania. God Bless!

Tom Avret - July 24, 2018 at 04:09 PM

RM

“ Our sympathy and prayers for comfort to the Peck family, JHA staff and students. Coach Peck will be remembered as a respected and loved influence on unknown but many, many lives. Our granddaughter, Madison is one of those blessed ones.



RobertnJoan Miller - July 24, 2018 at 01:14 PM

LH

“ MR Dan and I are praying for Ashley, Ty and the family now and always. Bob was one of the best teachers and head masters that I have ever worked with in many years as an educator. He loved winning but he loved teaching us all that how we win is as important as the win on all the teams he led. Linda Holtz former JHA staff member

Linda Holtz - July 24, 2018 at 10:44 AM

KC

“ I was sorry to hear the new of Coach Peck's passing. My thoughts and prayers as well as that of the Westwood School family go out to Coach Peck's family. -Kevin Cloud

Kevin Cloud - July 24, 2018 at 10:28 AM

MA

“ I was a student at John Milledgeville Academy in the 80s. Coach Peck reached out to a geeky girl with no athletic ability and made her part of the team - I kept stats for every team he coached from 1980-1984. That speaks volumes! I'm so sorry to hear of his passing - I know he made an impact on the lives of many young men and women during his career.

Marcia - July 24, 2018 at 10:04 AM

LM

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with each of you. He will be missed by all.
Luther and Berta and Friends at Johnnie McDade Grocery.



LUTHER MINOR - July 24, 2018 at 07:36 AM

SA

“ 3 files added to the album *New Album Name*



Sherry McDaniel Able - July 23, 2018 at 08:50 PM

SA

It was such a privilege and honor to have known this amazing man and coach. You will surely be missed by many. Prayers for peace and comfort for all during this most difficult time. Rest in Peace my friend....

Sherry Able - July 23, 2018 at 08:59 PM

DW

“ *Amazing man and I enjoyed every time we talked. He was always giving me advice and I enjoyed our coaching battles. Great man and he will truly be missed.*



Derrick Williams - July 23, 2018 at 08:31 PM

WJ

“ *Wright Banks, Jr. lit a candle in memory of Coach Bob Peck*



Wright Banks, Jr. - July 23, 2018 at 05:29 PM

BH

“ Bob was such a genuine person. He said what he meant, and meant what said! He touched so many lives and will be missed at John Hancock and our town of Sparta. Prayers for Ty and Ashley and students and staff at JHA.

Becky Holton - July 23, 2018 at 03:15 PM

DM

“ Coach Peck was a great coach and even better person. I am glad that I had the opportunity to know him. He will certainly be missed; we will keep his family in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. God Bless You All!

Dan & Christy Moore
Catawba County Schools
Newton, NC

Dan Moore - July 23, 2018 at 03:02 PM

MA

“ Coach peck was the best coach and best person I've ever known. I will always remember last year at our state championship, someone kicked me in my knee and coach peck asked me, "what are you doing limping" and I told him and he said "well if you don't get back on that court I'll kick you in your other one" he wasn't being mean but only making me stronger. He is the reason I strive to be the best I can be, he pushed me and believed in me like no other. He will be SO missed.

maddie - July 23, 2018 at 02:52 PM

TW

“ I am so saddened to hear about Bob. I met Bob at one of my best friends funeral, Chuck Sumner. Bob came to our small town, Soperton, for the funeral. As I was driving from the church to the cemetery, there was a group of people walking. I stopped and offered a ride to the cemetery. The group thought the cemetery was just around the corner but I knew better. Bob was one of the group. This is where our friendship started. My family has a local accounting office and at the time we met it was tax season. Bob goes..."by the way, I need someone to do my taxes...will you do them?" I said we would be happy to. Much to my surprise, he walked in the office the next week. We saw him again this year and prepared his 2017 tax return. He would always make his visits when he was traveling to Waycross to see his son. Oh my, we are going to miss that smiling face. The family will be in our prayers and if we can help in any way, please give us a call.
Tammi Hall Walraven - Lynda Hall
Hall Bookkeeping & Tax Service

TAMMI WALRAVEN - July 23, 2018 at 02:49 PM

FL

“ So sorry for your loss , Coach Peck was a wonderful man and he will be missed by all who grew to love him. Prayers lifted for the family.



Fay Leverett - July 23, 2018 at 02:42 PM