



Ned Godfrey

May 13, 1937 - August 3, 2013

Mr. Robert Ned Godfrey, age 76, passed away Saturday, August 3, 2013. Funeral Services will be held Wednesday August 7, 2013 at 4PM in Williams Funeral Home Chapel of Milledgeville with Rev. Andy Adams officiating. Entombment will follow in Heritage Memorial Park.

The family will be at the funeral home Tuesday Evening from 6-8PM to receive friends.

Mr. Godfrey was a native of Topton, NC and had lived in Atlanta before moving to Milledgeville in 1994. He was the son of the late General Buxton Godfrey and the late Sarah Reighard Godfrey and was preceded in death by his siblings Buster Godfrey, Max Godfrey, and Faye Connor. He was a member of Hapeville Chapter No 97 F&AM, Perkerson Baptist Church of Atlanta, All Season Hunting Club of Eatonton, the GA Wildlife Federation, and NRA. He was the owner of Johnson & Brown Gear and Machine Works.

He is survived by his wife Joan S. Godfrey of Milledgeville; daughters Amy H. (Rick) Newman of Eastman, Tracy Carruthers of Milledgeville, a special daughter Pam Montgomery of Milledgeville, Robin O'Riley of Peachtree City, and Cindy (Brian) Kenady of Lilburn; sons Chris (Melody) Godfrey of Newnan and Rick Godfrey of LaGrange; brother O.T. (Laura) Godfrey of Mabelton; 12 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren; and special friends David Black of

Chamblee, Neal Douthit of Lake Lanier, and George Powers of Milledgeville.

Cemetery Details

Heritage Memorial Park

371 Log Cabin Road
Milledgeville, GA 31061
(478) 452-2148
staff@williamsfuneralhome.net
<https://www.williamsfuneralhome.net>

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 6. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Service

AUG 7. 4:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

CG

“ As I sit here trying to comprehend that my Dad has left this world, I do so with both tears and a smile on my face. There is no doubt that Dad loved ALL of his children including those he would call his own that came later in his life. Working with Dad for the past 30 years has been such a blessing and privilege for which I will be forever grateful. He taught me so much more than how to rebuild a cylinder, gear boxes or how to properly sweep a floor. He taught me so many things without realizing I was paying attention. I am left with so many jokes, stories and precious memories that I will forever hold in my heart. I am so thankful for the relationship I had with him. He was my father, my boss and my dear friend. He IS my Superman and will never be forgotten. It truly is an honor to be called Lil' Ned and an honor to be his son.

Love You Man,
Chris

chris godfrey - August 09, 2013 at 02:51 PM

RO

He left each of us with wonderful memories and his legacy lives on through all who knew and loved him. He was my first hero.

robin - August 09, 2013 at 04:22 PM

LC

“ I have known Ned for over 36 years and he was such a dear friend of mine. I worked for him off and on for all those years. He was such an honest man . He loved his family. I was there for him when he went through a ruff time in his life. I remember when he met Joan he talked to me about her and he would smile so big. He was so happy the day he married her. Joan you made his life. He talked to me about his grandchildren and loved ALL of them. Chris he was proud of you for following in his foot steps and running his shop for him. He loved his children even when things were strained. He was proud of all seven of his children. I am going to miss those talks about grandchildren and hunting, his jokes and him telling me he was 39 and how I got older then him. NED I love you and will miss that smiling face of yours. Joan you have my deepest condolences for I know you will miss him greatly.

Love You

LaRue

LaRue Carruth - August 08, 2013 at 04:18 PM

WM

“ Ned was my fathers business partner for over 20 years. He was well liked by my entire family. I worked with Ned at Johnson & Brown while attending Ga. State U. and after graduating. Even my brother that knows his way around an operating table, but not which end of a wrench to use, worked there one summer.

We have fond remembrances of Ned and much of his family. You have our deepest sympathies. I know he was much loved.

A dear friend,
Wayne Mitchell

Wayne Mitchell - August 08, 2013 at 01:22 PM

CS

“ Joan,

I'm glad you had so many happy years with Ned. When I told Helen about his death, she asked me to tell you how sorry she was and how she appreciated what you and Ned did for her. I was able to attend the funeral but didn't get to talk to you. It was a beautiful service. I love you and am praying for you.

Love Aunt Carlene

Carlene Smith - August 08, 2013 at 07:24 AM

SV

“ Joan, I am so sorry for the Loss of your husband. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Please let me know if there is anything I can do. Love you cousin.



Susan Smith Veatch

Susan Veatch - August 07, 2013 at 09:32 PM

SH

“ Cynthjia, Brian, Katie & Robin & ALL of your family, we send our deepest sympathy in the loss of your daddy. We know how difficult this is for you. What a handsome man your daddy was. I can definitely see the love on his face. He knew how very much yall loved him. I hope you find comfort and peace thru God's Love.

Sherri and Brian Hannon

Sherri & Brian Hannon - August 07, 2013 at 08:31 PM

JD

“ Goodbye Uncle Ned. We will see you on the other side. Our prayers for the family.

Jimmy & Daniela Dobbins and all the California family

Jim Dobbins - August 07, 2013 at 07:46 PM

MS

“ Mona Stephens lit a candle in memory of Ned Godfrey



Mona Stephens - August 07, 2013 at 05:42 PM

MS

Ned you will be missed. I will forever remember you warm sweet smile, Growing up and being with your family and playing softball with Robin and Cindy. Going to church and seeing you there with your family and seeing the love you had for all of them. It was like we were all your children and you made us all feel very special. Love you much and know you are watching over us today. Give my dad a big high 5 for me !!

Mona Stephens - August 07, 2013 at 05:45 PM

VG

Sweet memories!

vicki norwood glore - August 07, 2013 at 08:27 PM

CH

“ My thoughts and prayers are with Ned's family now. Ned was such a special and wonderful friend to my dad David Black. I know Dad will miss him very much. May God wrap his arms around the family and help you through this sad time.

Carol Hood

Carol Hood - August 07, 2013 at 03:05 PM

BR

“ I want to extend my deepest sympathies to Robin and her family. I know Robin loved her father so much, and will forever cherish her many memories of him.

Bill Ragland - August 07, 2013 at 11:50 AM

JO

“ Ned, Was a wonderful man, always made me laugh- was there if i needed him. I will miss his jokes & Smile.

Jody



jody - August 07, 2013 at 10:31 AM

GK

“ Greg Kenady purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Ned Godfrey.



Greg Kenady - August 06, 2013 at 10:47 PM

LC

“ Cynthia, B and Katie. Sorry to hear in your Dad's passing. I know he has suffered and is definitely in a much better place. Call us if you need anything.

Love, Lynn

Lynn Carroll - August 06, 2013 at 07:42 PM

PW

“ My prayers are with his family. I wish I could remember just 1 percent of the jokes and stories he told me over the years. Made my eyes water with laughter many times. He was a great story teller and a great man's man. I will miss him.

Parrish Walker

Parrish Walker - August 06, 2013 at 06:15 PM

LB

“ Our families wish to express our condolences to Ned's family, our thoughts and prayers are with you all at this difficult time. May God bless you and comfort you. Mary and Clyde Beavers Family: Mary ,Terry ,Linda and our Families

Linda Beavers Baldwin - August 06, 2013 at 06:05 PM

LC

“ Cynthia,

Praying for you and all of your family in the loss of your dad. May you feel the presence, comfort, and peace of God. Please let me know if there is anything at all that Nick or I can do for you.

Love,
Lee

Lee Cole - August 06, 2013 at 03:42 PM

SC

“ *May you rest in peace Mr. Godfrey. Your daughter, Cynthia has been one of my best friends for many years. She always spoke so highly of her precious Daddy. She loved you very much and was so proud of you. You really raised a good one. Cynthia is one of a kind and would do anything for anyone. May God Bless you Brian, Cynthia, Katie and Robin. You are all in my prayers.*

Sandy Carroll

Sandy Carroll - August 06, 2013 at 02:52 PM

KW

“ *My sympathies to the Godfrey family. Working with Robin has blessed me with stories of her father and his special talents. He was well loved and will be long remembered.*

Kirk Watkins - August 06, 2013 at 02:33 PM

JR

“ *Johnny Rogers lit a candle in memory of Ned Godfrey*



Johnny Rogers - August 06, 2013 at 01:58 PM

BK

“ Ned,
*I am so glad you are in the hands of the Lord. No more pain and suffering only Peace !
I will treasure forever the memories we made over the years.
Traveling to St. Andrews State Park, working up the street at Harry & Bea's house, cutting the grass down on Quaker St. & slipping in the little shed for a "Baby Miller" or two.
Hanging out & cooking out, telling jokes, the vacations, you helping with side jobs building decks, all wonderful memories !!
Everyone will miss you your humor & your love for life !
I want to thank you once again for the best gift you ever gave me and that was your baby daughter Cindy !!!
We Love and miss you but will hold you in our hearts forever !!
Till we meet again my friend.*

Love,
Brian (your son-in-law)

Brian Kenady - August 06, 2013 at 01:43 PM

CG

“ Our condolence to all the Godfrey families. I will never forget "your pork chop and gravy" breakfast during my 1975 visit. You just told me that "northerners don't know how to eat!" Well, I still don't eat breakfast!
May you now rest in comfort and watch over all those that love you.
Love you
The Pulcino family (Rochester, NY)



cindy Green - August 06, 2013 at 10:59 AM



“ *Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Ned Godfrey.*



August 06, 2013 at 09:21 AM



“ *Joan,
We are sorry for your loss and you will be in our prayers.
Linda and Gary*

Linda and Gary - August 06, 2013 at 09:15 AM



“ *My heart breaks tonight for my Aunt Carolyn, & my cousins Ricky, Robin, Cindy & Chris Godfrey. I always looked forward to the summers I spent at my aunt & uncle's house. Uncle Ned would light up the room as soon as he entered & I enjoyed the hours spent listening to his jokes. Carolyn & Ned's house was a house of laughter. I will be eternally grateful for the help he gave my brother, sisters & I when my parents died way too young & unexpectedly. For my cousins, I pray for comfort in knowing your dad is in a good place with his parents, brothers & sister. I pray you have the strength to mourn your dad, even in the darkest of circumstances. May God bless you with the peace that comes from knowing your dad is free from pain and suffers no more. You are in my thoughts & prayers.*

LOUANN


Louann Connor Davis - August 05, 2013 at 10:35 PM

AH

“ *Joan, I am so sorry for your loss. You and your family have been in my thoughts.* ”



April Faulkner Hurt - August 05, 2013 at 10:19 PM


Barbara
Baker

“ *I will miss you dearly. I know you are in a better place now. No more worries or pain. You won your battle and now it is time to rest. I love you, Barbara Godfrey Baker* ”



Barbara Baker - August 05, 2013 at 09:48 PM



“ *Ned was my Great Uncle and will be missed dearly. Prayers go out to the family love Candace* ”

Candace Cook - August 05, 2013 at 09:28 PM

CA

“ *Carolyn lit a candle in memory of Ned Godfrey* ”



Carolyn - August 05, 2013 at 07:53 PM

CG

Ned was a wonderful Dad to his four children and 11 grandchildren. He always worried at Christmas as to whether the kids would like what we got them and always wanted them to feel secure. You need a great job and your children and grandchildren all thought you bare handed hung the moon. We will always love you and have sweet memories forever. Tell everyone in heaven you have a good joke to tell.

Carolyn Godfrey - August 05, 2013 at 09:01 PM

SH

“ *My deepest sympathy to Carolyn, Ricky, Cindy, Chris and my long, long time Buddy Robin. I've had the true privilege of knowing Ned and his family for over 30 years. When I first met Ned I thought what a handsome man he is. He always kept his appearance about him and always the life of a party. His kids loved him so very much. I am so sorry for you all. Loosing a parent is one of the hardest things to endure. My prayers of comfort and love to his family. He suffers no more. All my love to the family. Susan W. Horton*



Susan W. Horton - August 05, 2013 at 03:33 PM

VG

“ *Having lost my father when I was young, Ned filled that void for many years. When I got my first car as a teenager, he was there to fix it when it broke down.... He was there when Robin and I were stranded in the ice and snow... He was there when Robin and I had our first apartment ... He was always there giving his kids and his kids' friends support and advice. Carolyn and Ned welcomed me in to their family with open arms and I will forever be grateful for that love and support. My love and prayers to the family!*

vicki norwood glore - August 05, 2013 at 03:08 PM

LM

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Luther & Berta and friends at Johnnie McDade Grocery.



LUTHER MINOR - August 05, 2013 at 02:18 PM

DO

“ My deepest sympathy to Carolyn Godfrey former wife of Ned for 34years and their 4 children, Ricky Ned Godfrey, Robin Godfrey O'reilly, Cynthia Godfrey Kenady and Christopher Sidney Godfrey". They all loved their father very much, and they appreciate what a good father he was and how he provided for them over the years. Thanks to his and Carolyn's hard work they were able to successfully buy and continue the success of Johnson and Brown Machine Shop. Thanks for all the wonderful Christmas and Vacations we had and being their for the birth of your grandchildren. You will be missed very much. A good friend of the Godfrey family for many years!



Donna - August 05, 2013 at 12:12 PM

PE

My heart hurts for my Godfrey Family, I am so sorry to hear about your dad's passing. I remember all the good times we all had together when we were little. Uncle Ned will not have to suffer not more he is pain free. You are always in my heart no matter how many miles away we are. Love you all!

Peggy

Peggy - August 05, 2013 at 01:40 PM

HL

“ *My life was truly blessed the day I met Ned and Joan. I will never forget how wonderful Ned could make you feel. He always had a smile on his face, joke coming out of his mouth, and love for Joan in his eyes. He will truly be missed.*

Holly Langford - August 05, 2013 at 10:09 AM

CP

“ *Ned was always good to me. He was the kind that would really help you out when you were in need. A Charitable man. We sat together in Panthersville Masonic Lodge when Rick joined 30 years ago. My sympathy goes out to all who knew him. When he breathed his last breath here on earth, he breathed his next one in Heaven.
Charles Pierce (friend and Lodge Brother)*

Charles Pierce - August 05, 2013 at 10:01 AM

RO

“ *So many memories to share ... dad teaching me to drive a stick shift in his dune buggy; escorting me when I was homecoming queen; holding my babies; swapping jokes; and the years of hanging out at the shop just being family. Always in my heart. Love you dad, rob-rob (Robin Godfrey O'Reilly, his eldest daughter)*

robin oreilly - August 05, 2013 at 09:04 AM

AG

“ Although death separates us from one another in body, in spirit, Ned will always remains alive. Alive through the kind words he said to us, the caring deeds he did for us, the lessons that he taught us, and the example that he was to us. Let us remember him in our prayers, in our fond memories, in our everyday actions, so that our remembrance brings joy, not tears.

*We Love you Ned
Your All Seasons Brothers*

All Seasons Sportsman's Club of GA - August 04, 2013 at 09:44 PM

TD

“ NED, WAS THE REASON I GOT MY JOB WITH REXNORD, WHEN I GOT OUT OF THE AIRFORCE IN 1968, I (TERRY DOBBINS, NED'S BROTHER-IN-LAW) RETIRED FROM REXNORD IN 2003. LOVE YOU NED, MAY YOU REST IN THE ARMS OF THE LIVING GOD.

TERRY DOBBINS - August 04, 2013 at 09:09 PM

KY

“ Joan and Pam i love you both and Ned is happy and no pain!! Missed but never forgotten!! I love you Ned!!

kathy yates - August 04, 2013 at 08:28 PM

JH

“ Jane Haralson lit a candle in memory of Ned Godfrey



Jane Haralson - August 04, 2013 at 05:13 PM

JH

“ *Joan and Family,
So sorry to learn of the passing of Ned. I enjoyed talking to him at
the auction. I know that each of you will miss him. May you find
comfort in the word of God.
God bless each of you,
Jane and Ozie Haralson*

Jane Haralson - August 04, 2013 at 05:12 PM