



## W. J. Farmer

March 22, 1940 - March 11, 2023

In Loving Memory of William J. Farmer Jr.

William J. Farmer Jr., 82, of Eatonton Georgia passed away unexpectedly on March 10, 2023, in a Macon hospital after a brief battle with Lymphoma Cancer. He was born in Milan Georgia to Joseph and Leila (Towns) Farmer on March 22, 1940. He grew up in Milan with two Brothers and a Sister (James, John and Mary) working on the family farm and having fun with numerous cousins, close family members, and school friends, as a family they attended church every Sunday. It was a hard life but a good life, typical of the 1940s.

He attended Milan Highschool, where he excelled on the Junior Varsity and Varsity basketball team and earned his Letterman jacket before graduating with the Class of 1960. Afterward, he made his home in Macon, Georgia. Shortly before his retirement years, he moved to Eatonton, Georgia where he fulfilled a lifelong dream to live on the lake, at Lake Sinclair.

He was a 35-year retiree of Norfolk Sothern Railroad. After his retirement from the Railroad, he went to work at Bedrock Mulch & More LLC for an additional 15 years, a part-time job that he thoroughly enjoyed. While working his career jobs, he was always a Farmer at heart. He loved the outdoors, working in his beautiful yard which he took great pride in. He loved propagating and growing varied plants in flower beds. He enjoyed old tractors

and had a collection of old trains.

His hobbies included fishing, camping, and watching Atlanta Braves Baseball. His favorite getaway was going to the Carolina mountains in October with his beloved Boston Terrier, SuSu. Despite battling many health issues for the past two years, spending much of that time in and out of hospitals, he never lost his soft spirit and genuine kindness. Throughout this journey, he cracked jokes with his grown children, made silly faces with his grandchildren, and even pulled some light-hearted pranks on the nurses. He had a great ability to make others smile and his sense of humor will be missed.

He was a member of Friendship Baptist Church and was President of his Sunday School Class as well as the leader of the Mens Activity Group.

A Celebration Of Life will be announced at a later date.

Contributions may be made to Central Georgia Alzheimer's Association, in honor of his Daughter Reba F. Rigo.

He is survived by his wife, Darlene Thompson Farmer,; and his Children; Reba F. Rigo (Rodger) of Eatonton, Ga., Lisa F. Bowden (Jack) of Macon, Ga; Grandchildren; Lana Oney (Steve) of McDonough, Ga., James White (Abbey) of Savannah, Ga; Great Granddaughters, Skyler Oney and Carly Kaye Oney of McDonough, Ga.; Sister In Law, Hazel Farmer. And a host of beloved Cousins, Nieces, Nephews, and dear Friends.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Lisa and Reba, I'm so sorry about the loss of your father. I have so many memories of me and Johnny spending the weekends at the lake with your daddy and BJ. We had some good times.

May our good Lord wrap his arms around each of you and guide you through the days ahead. My thoughts and prayers are with you  
Denise Molton



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**Denise Molton** - March 16, 2023 at 11:08 AM

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*He was a devoted Father, Grandfather, and Friend. Left to cherish his memory are his Children; Reba F. Rigo (Rodger) of Eatonton, Ga., Lisa F. Bowden (Jack) of Macon, Ga; Grandchildren; Lana Oney (Steve) of McDonough, Ga., James White (Abbey) of Savannah, Ga; Great Granddaughters, Skyler Oney and Carly Kaye Oney of McDonough, Ga.; Sister In Law, Hazel Farmer. And a host of beloved Cousins, Nieces, Nephews, and dear Friends. A Celebration Of Life will be announced at a later date. Contributions may be made to Central Georgia Alzheimer's Association, in honor of his Daughter Reba F. Rigo.*

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**Jamie Williams** - March 15, 2023 at 08:54 PM

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“ *My deepest sympathies Lisa & Reba, your father was a great man and always fun to be around. May he Rest in Peace*



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**Jamie Williams** - March 15, 2023 at 08:43 PM