



Clyde Roy Mathews Jr.

February 12, 1943 - March 22, 2025

Clyde Roy Mathews, born February 12, 1943, passed from this world to his heavenly home March 22, 2025, at the age of 82. He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Carol Jean Mathews, and 2 children, Penny Jean (Kerry) Iannazzo, Clyde "Kevin" (Michelle) Mathews; 5 grandchildren, Grace Elizabeth Withers, Victoria Lynn Mathews, John Wesley Withers, Valetta Leigh Mathews, Nathan Paul Withers. Sister, Louise Smith Sparks, and several nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents, Clyde and Dorothy Mathews, and one grandson Wesley Clyde Withers.

Clyde was a 1962 graduate of Lakeview High School where he was a sports reporter for the school newspaper and a member of the Library and Tri-Hi-Y clubs. After graduation he worked at Miller Brothers in the security department, Manager for Browns Furniture Warehouse, and Combustion Engineering which became Alstrom Power. There he was a welder for 42 years and union steward. In 1964 he married his high school sweetheart, Carol Jean Heuser Mathews and together they raised, Penny and Kevin, who also graduated from Lakeview High.

He served faithfully in his church as a deacon and usher for over 50 years. For the last 12 years he also served on the security team. He loved his Lord and served Him since the age of 9, a testimony he was always willing and glad to share with anyone.

He loved sports and was a coach and pitcher for the church softball team both at Fort Oglethorpe First Baptist and Lakeview First Baptist. During his years playing for Lakeview First Baptist, he received the Sportsmanship award which to him, was the most valued. He was an avid fan of UGA football and UT, (as long as they weren't playing UGA) and the Atlanta Braves.

His hobbies were stain glass and gardening. With the glass he made yard art, birdfeeders, suncatchers and small windows. He loved gardening with his wife and friends of the Master Gardeners Hamilton County TN, where he received the Distinguished Service Award for his years of volunteering at community projects, Hamilton County Fair exhibits, Garden Expo and other events with MGHC. Clyde was always wanting to make others smile with a joke or a funny story and he usually had one for every occasion.

The family will receive friends from 4-8pm Thursday, March 27 at the Wilson Funeral Home in Ringgold, Ga and from 10 ~ 12 p.m. on Friday, March 28th at the funeral home. Following the visitation on Friday, The Remembrance service will be held at 1:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary of the Ringgold First Baptist Church, Ringgold, GA.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Building Fund at Ringgold First Baptist Church.

Arrangements by the Wallis-Stewart Chapel of Wilson Funeral Homes, Ringgold, Georgia. Online guest book at www.wilsonfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Catoosa Memorial Gardens

Boynton Dr.
Ringgold, GA 30736

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 27. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wilson Funeral Homes - Ringgold Chapel
443 Boynton Drive
Ringgold, GA 30736
(706) 935-2331
spencer@wilsonfuneralhome.com
<https://www.wilsonfuneralhome.com/>

Visitation

MAR 28. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Church Service

MAR **28**. 1:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church-Ringgold
7611 Nashville St
Ringgold, GA 30736
(706) 935-2358

Tribute Wall

JC

“ I first met Clyde when I was just five or six years old when he was dating my cousin Carol Jean. My childhood memory was of a pleasant and amiable guy, and that remained true all of his life. He was a hard worker, a good family man, and a good Christian, and that remained true all of his life.

John F. Clark - March 27, 2025 at 08:15 PM

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“ Uncle Clyde was always sharing the latest joke, and sometimes, as a kid, I didn't get the jokes. But he was a good and supportive husband to my aunt, a type of husband that most women would like to have.

Anna Moss - March 26, 2025 at 01:08 AM

JE

“ Clyde was a strong friendly Christian man, We are glad to have memories of Central Sunday School classes and socials.

Jack Everett - March 25, 2025 at 11:29 PM

TS

“ Clyde was such a Southern Gentleman. So dedicated to his family and God. He was always supporting Carol in everything they did with the Master Gardeners of Hamilton County. He was a happy man with a quick smile and often with a humorous story to tell. Family and many friends will miss his wit and wisdom.



Tom Stebbins - March 25, 2025 at 12:30 PM

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Clyde was a good man, always smiling and friendly. He and could always be counted on to attend our quarterly high school reunion luncheons with a cheerful word to all, even when he didn't feel well. His presence will be missed.

Lila Lesley - March 26, 2025 at 07:44 PM