



John "Jay" Burgess

May 9, 1944 - December 24, 2016

John James "Jay" Burgess, 72 of LaFayette, went home to be with his Lord and Savior Saturday, December 24, 2016 surrounded by his loving family. He was born in St. Louis, Missouri to the late John Basil & Viola Ruth Rolph Burgess. Jay grew up in Wichita, Kansas before moving to the North Georgia area and was of the Methodist faith. He was an Air Force Veteran having served during the Vietnam War and retired from the Air National Guard. He was an avid reader and historian. He enjoyed running, writing science fiction, traveling and photography. He had a passion for computers and was employed with the City of Chattanooga for more than 20 years as a Computer Operations Specialist. He was a loving & devoted husband, father and grandfather who will be truly missed by all who knew him. He was also preceded in death by two nephews, Brent Tice and Teddy Tice.

Survivors include his loving wife of more than 48 years, Sue Shaw Burgess of LaFayette, GA; sons, John Victor & (Blakely Campbell) Burgess of LaFayette, GA and James Shaw Burgess of Ringgold, GA; sisters, Sharon Koschar & Janice Miller both of Ohio and Virginia & (Larry) Tice of Mississippi; five grandchildren, Tatum, Malorie, Connor, Eric and Henry Burgess and numerous beloved nieces, nephews and extended family & friends.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, December 28, 2016 in the LaFayette Chapel. Burial will follow in the Coulter Cemetery. The family

will receive friends after 5 p.m. Tuesday and prior to the service on Wednesday at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to the LaFayette Care Mission, 105 North Chattanooga Street, LaFayette, GA 30728 (706) 638-3664. Online guest book at www.wilsonfuneralhome.com. Arrangements by the LaFayette Chapel of Wilson Funeral Homes, LaFayette, Georgia.

Cemetery Details

Coulter Cemetary

Hwy 193
Chickamauga, GA 30707

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 27. 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Wilson Funeral Homes - LaFayette Chapel
1779 North Main Street
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Tribute Wall

JR


“ I worked with Jay at the City of Chattanooga from the time he was employed until I retired in 1997. I can truthfully say he was an exceptional person. I never knew anyone that didn't like him, He had that charisma and witty sense of humor that everyone admired . He could turn a bad situation into a good one. He was conscientious in his work ethic, and very dependable, a trait that is hard to come by. I must say, I have fond memories of Jay, and send my best wishes to his family. May he RIP.....

Jim Rosenbloom - December 27, 2016 at 06:43 PM



“ We were saddened to hear of Jay's passing. He was a surprising person - with his wit, humor and joy he was always a pleasure to work with!

Tim Taylor - December 27, 2016 at 06:36 PM


Vanessa Qualls

“ Vanessa Qualls lit a candle in memory of John "Jay" Burgess



Vanessa Qualls - December 27, 2016 at 05:26 AM

CP

“ Dear Sue: I am so sorry for your loss. Please know I am keeping you and your family in my thoughts and prayers.
Cindy Price

Cindy Price - December 26, 2016 at 09:01 PM

GT

“ *Ginger Tice lit a candle in memory of John "Jay" Burgess*



Ginger Tice - December 26, 2016 at 07:57 AM

GT

Always in my heart. My dear sweet Brother. God's Blessing to his wife and sons. Love you.

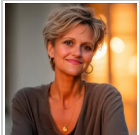
Ginger Tice - December 26, 2016 at 07:59 AM



“ *Mary Walling lit a candle in memory of John "Jay" Burgess*



Mary Walling - December 25, 2016 at 03:04 PM



“ *He will be missed so very much in our hearts and at the shop. We loved him very much. I will miss seeing his great smile.*

Mary Walling - December 25, 2016 at 03:02 PM

SA

“ *Sue, Rodney & I are so sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Starr Arp - December 25, 2016 at 01:46 PM



“ *I never knew someone who could make me laugh almost every time I came by. Jay was a friendly, kind and fun person to be around I'll miss him.*

Jason Smith - December 25, 2016 at 11:54 AM



“ *Lee White lit a candle in memory of John "Jay" Burgess*



Lee White - December 25, 2016 at 06:55 AM