



Mr. Ralph "Theo" Watkins

February 19, 1941 - March 12, 2024

Ralph "Theo" Watkins, born on February 19, 1941, in Starkville, MS, passed away on March 12, 2024. Theo was known for being a devoted husband, father, and poppy. In the 60s, he made the move from Mississippi to Atlanta where he honed his skills in residential home building. Establishing his own company, Creekview Enterprises, Inc., he contributed to the construction of numerous homes in Gwinnett, Rockdale, Newton, and Walton counties.

He was a devoted Christian and led the choir at Avondale Church of God and Hairston Road Church of God for many years where his leadership and contributions touched many lives.

Theo's love for travel and enjoyment of high-quality sound systems and thick milkshakes defined his vibrant personality. His presence brought joy to those around him.

He is preceded in death by his beloved wife, Betty Jo Burroughs Watkins. Among those left to cherish his memory are his brother Irvin Watkins and sister Irene Green. Theo's legacy lives on through his sons Shane Watkins and Dustin Watkins, as well as his grandchildren Madison Buckman, Parker Watkins, Hayden Watkins, Dallas Watkins, Emma Story, and Taylor Story. He was also a proud great-grandfather to Atlas Buckman.

Family and friends are invited to honor Theo's life at the visitation service on March 14, 2024 at Monroe Church of God in Monroe, GA from 1-2PM. A funeral service will follow at the same location at 2:00PM. Finally, he will be laid to rest at Pate Cemetery in Buhl, AL on March 19, 2024 at 11:00AM CST.

Ralph "Theo" Watkins will always be remembered for his unwavering love for his family and the lasting impact he had on those who had the pleasure of knowing him. May he rest in peace.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to:

Monroe Church of God
1204 E Church Street
Monroe, GA 30655

Cemetery Details

Pate Cemetery

Boothtown Rd
Buhl, AL 35446

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 14. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Monroe Church of God
1204 East Church St
Monroe, GA 30655

Funeral Service

MAR 14. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Interment

MAR 19. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“*Shane and Dustin, Sharing in your family's sorrow in this time of great loss. Sharing in the memory of a very special friend. Our longtime friendship with the wonderful Watkins Family started mid-1980's when we met in church. Theo's life revolved around his love for and faithfulness to God, his family and friends and his church. He loved life and enjoyed singing, traveling, entertaining, eating, fellowship, laughing--all things fun. But his happiness always was only complete when petite, beautiful, loving Betty was by his side. Theo blessed our lives and our memories forever. He will be deeply missed but never forgotten by all whose lives he touched. May you find comfort in celebrating his life and remembering his love for you. We love all of you and our prayers and sympathy are with you.*

Marlon and Greta Durden - March 16, 2024 at 01:23 PM