

Obituaries

Dr Peter Paige

Dr. Peter Paige, 83 of Lincolnton, entered into rest on Wednesday, February 3, 2021 at Augusta University Medical Center.

Funeral arrangements will be announced later by Beggs Funeral Home, 200 May Ave., Lincolnton.

He was the son of the late Herman Paige and Sara Richards Paige and was born in Boston, Massachusetts. He spent his career in education administration and even continued to do so after retirement. Dr. Paige was a faithful member of First Assembly of God church in Lincolnton, Georgia.

In addition to his parents, Dr. Paige was preceded in death by his sister, Caroline Malloy.

His survivors include his loving wife of 59 years, Phyllis Blankenship Paige; a son, Phillip D. Paige and wife, Larisa of Evans, Georgia; a daughter, Pam L. Paige of Marietta, Georgia; brothers, Paul Paige and wife, Alice of Phoenix, Arizona and Phillip Paige of Connecticut; a sister, Margaret Bond of Brooklyn, Connecticut; two granddaughters and one grandson.

My father was a man of great heart. He had a heart for education, earning his Doctorate in Education Administration and serving as principal of Warren Road Elementary for 28 years. He was known by the thousands of students that passed through his school for his blue, 1962 Ford Falcon which was his first new car. One summer, he committed to sleeping on the roof if his students read enough books. They did, and he kept his word, sleeping in a tent in an inch of rain.

The story was picked up by the Associated Press and covered in newspapers all over the world. Several years later, he was invited to the White House when Warren Road was named one of seven National Schools of Excellence. The picture of him receiving the award from then first lady, Nancy Reagan hung in his office. I asked him once about how he had been so successful, assuming he would attribute it to the long hours and service, but he replied that he had hired the best people. "I hired them and let them do their jobs. I was great at delegation".

After retirement, he continued to teach graduate education classes, helping teachers with their ongoing education. He never lost his passion for education, even considering a third career (in his 70's) with a run for Lincoln County School superintendent. Up until a few years ago, he would still participate in the Richmond County Teacher of the Year awards and go to the annual Foursquare Tournament at the school.

He had a heart for his faith and was a dedicated believer. He also had a heart for music and always felt like his service to the Lord was



DR. PETER PAIGE

through music, singing in an a cappella quartet in college and later for many years at First Baptist in the Ensemble and choir. He never missed choir practice and often sang in both services.

After moving to Lincolnton, he continued to sing in the choir at First Assembly until his voice diminished. He loved to play the saxophone and accomplished his dream of playing his favorite song, Amazing Grace, during a service after countless hours of practice to ensure it would be perfect. It was and he got a standing ovation.

He had a heart for his family, and was a devoted and loving father to my sister and me. One of his greatest joys was as a grandfather, lighting up whenever he would see his grandson and granddaughters. They softened him and comforted him for days after their visits as his health began to fail and old age took its toll, bringing him laughter when nothing else would.

By his side through everything, was the other half of his heart, his wife of 59 years. His partner and best friend, Phyllis, he loved her more than anything and was hard pressed to leave her side. They did everything together and he would join her at appointments and errands, just to be with her.

In the end, the story of his life finished with his heart, as he suffered from a rare heart condition that teams of doctors at Augusta University couldn't solve. He endured his final month in the hospital with strength and hope and humor, converting caregivers into friends throughout the hospital. As an un-failing optimist, he made lists of plans for what he would accomplish when he got better. As a lifelong educator, he hoped that the doctors would learn something about his condition that would help someone else.

He was a great man. A selfless man of pragmatism, wisdom and boundless kindness. He went quietly and peacefully, surrounded by family, into the Lord's arms on February 3rd, 2021.

Tamiko Shavette Parks

Tamiko Shavette Parks had a gentle soul. She was born on April 25, 1976 in Augusta, Georgia to John Thomas and Lillian Grace Willingham Parks. She entered into eternal rest on February 4, 2021 in Augusta, Georgia at University Summerville Hospital where she fought and good fight and finished the course.

A graveside service was held at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, February 10, at Rehoboth Baptist Church Cemetery.

She was baptized and joined Rehoboth Baptist Church at an early age where she worshiped faithfully. Her spirit was sweet and radiant with love. She was genuine and loved unconditionally. Whenever she spoke, it was words of kindness and love and/or about a hamburger. She attended the Lincoln County School system and graduated with the class of 1995. After high school she attended Georgia Tech in Washington and Thomson, Georgia until the pandemic. She was an entrepreneur that loved to baby sit, clean houses, dance, drive her golf cart and be in the midst of her family and friends.

Tamiko's life was filled with passion, zest and love that will abide with us always. Her presence, her smile, her laughter, her dancing and her sweet "diabetic" tea would brighten up any room. We were blessed to be a part of her life. Her gentle soul we will miss dearly. But you and Marcy are locked safe within our hearts. We know you are dancing with the Lord.

Tamiko was preceded in death by her paternal grandparents, Andrew and Lillie Ree Elam Parks; and maternal grandparents, Robert and Florence Inez Willingham; uncles, Andrew Parks, Benjamin Parks, Joseph Parks, Robert Benning, Wal-



TAMIKO SHAVETTE PARKS

ter Harris, Marvin Glaze, George Green, Joshua Marshall and Buddy Thomas; aunts, Inez Benning, Mary Ella Green, Hattie Thomas, Martha Marshall and Evernell Elam.

To cherish her memories, her loving parents; one brother, Derrick (Catherine) Parks; one sister, D'Metric (Derrick) Barksdale Sr.; one nephew, Derrick Barksdale Jr.; five nieces, Conica Parks, Lai'lonna Parks, Destiny Barksdale, Shynicia Parks and Tynicia Parks, all of Lincolnton Georgia; uncles, Granvil Willingham, Marvin (Sharekia) Parks and Earl Elam; aunts, Cora Willingham, Annie Willingham, Everlene Parks Glaze, Lunett Benning, Sara Harris, Shellan Parks, Lela Mae Parks; one great aunt, Annie Parks.

She also leaves five devoted cousins, Lisa Willingham, Tasha Wynn, Erica Willingham, Michelle Elam and Shewanda Harris; one best friend Chanda Gaaney; six God nieces and a host of other relatives and friends.

Beggs Funeral Home, Lincolnton, was honored to serve the family of Miss Tamiko Parks.

Maj. Alden Lathan Roberson Jr.

Maj. Alden Lathan Roberson Jr., USA, Ret. age 82 went to be with Nita in heaven on Thursday, February 4, 2021.

Alden was born in South Turkey Creek, North Carolina to the late Alden Lathan Roberson, Sr. and Lillie Allene Hampton Roberson.

He served as an officer in the United States Army with the Signal Corps which included two tours of duty in Vietnam and multiple moves and assignments. His numerous commendations included the Good Conduct Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Bronze Star Medal (with one Oak Leaf Cluster), Army Commendation Medal (with one Oak Leaf Cluster), and a Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm.

Alden loved adventure and traveling and trying new things. He had a passion for treasuring moments and loved all time keepers. He had a collection of clocks and watches that he cherished. He also had a passion for the open road and loved motorcycles and cars. But above all, he loved his family, and the matriarch, Nita, was his Queen.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his partner and life- his wife of 57 years, Juanita Evans Roberson; and his brothers, Larry Roberson and Jerry Roberson.

He is survived by his two chil-



MAJ. ALDEN LATHAN ROBESON JR.

dren, Daniel Alden Roberson (Tina) of Summerville, South Carolina and Renée Cain (Billy) of Dahlonega, Georgia; two brothers, Gayle Roberson (Willie) and Joe Roberson, both of Washington, Georgia; five grandchildren, Amanda Cain Parker (Stan), William Terrell Cain III (Haley), Nicholas Brandon Cain, Ashley Melissa Roberson, and Jacob Daniel Roberson; and two great grandchildren, Hazel Renée Parker and Logan Espn Cain.

A graveside service took place at Westover Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the Patriot Guard Riders of Georgia, <https://www.patriotguard.org/donations/tribute-donation/>.

Please sign the online registry at, www.plattsfuneralhome.com.

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Jacqueline Gable Thomason Smith

Jacqueline 'Jackie' Gable Thomason Smith, 74, entered into eternal rest on Tuesday, February 2, 2021 at home in Lincolnton, Georgia from complications of a stroke.

Graveside funeral services were held at 3 p.m. on Friday, February 5, at Martin Crossroads Holiness Church Cemetery.

Jackie was born June 26, 1946 to the late Helen Burdette Gable Outz and Ralph Gable. She was raised by her grandmother, the late Mamie Burdette of Calhoun Falls, S.C.

She graduated from Calhoun Falls High School and was of the Christian faith. Jackie was employed at the Abbeville Sheriff's Department, Abbeville Shirt Makers, Self Memorial Hospital and Clatt Crossing in Lincolnton. While working at Clatt Crossing, she made many friends and was always willing to help anyone that she met. She loved her family, gardening, flowers and when possible, going to yard sales. She loved nothing more than finding a bargain or a rare piece of glass ware.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Joseph Thomason and her youngest son, Jaye Thomason, both of Abbeville.

Survivors include her husband of 20 years, John (Buck) H. Smith; son, Jody Thomason (Carlie) of Peoria, Arizona; grandson, Sam; grand-



JACQUELINE GABLE THOMASON SMITH

daughter, Larkin; step-children, Robert Smith (Bridgett) of Puyallup, Washington, Marilyn Wright (Dan) of Washington, Georgia and Alice Hill of Thomson, Georgia; and her longtime friend and caregiver, Mrs. Lexie Ashmore and friend and caregiver, Mrs. Dolly Bohler.

Jackie will be missed by her family and friends and remembered for her generous spirit and love for others.

Memorial contributions in her memory may be made to the charity of one's choice.

Beggs Funeral Home, 200 May Ave., Lincolnton was honored to serve the family of Mrs. Jacqueline Smith.

Stephen Ross Snider

Stephen Ross Snider, 66, of Lincolnton, went to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Wednesday, February 3, 2021 at his residence.

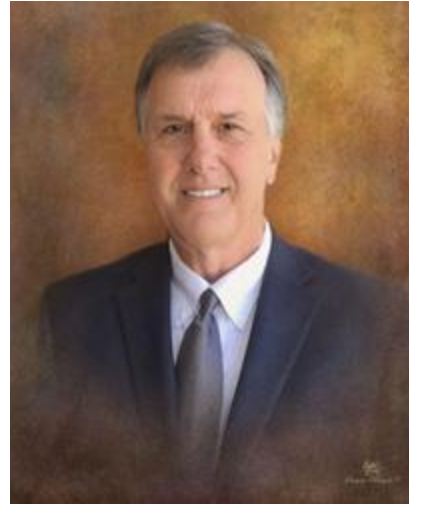
Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. on Monday, February 8, at First Assembly of God, Lincolnton. Interment followed at Martin's Crossroads Congregational Holiness Church.

He was born on August 14, 1954 in Rome, Georgia to Dorothy Holloway Snider and Ralph Snider. At the age of 8, their family moved to Lincolnton, Georgia.

On January 9, 1972, Steve made a decision to follow Christ in the altar of Martin's Crossroads Congregational Holiness Church and his life was forever changed. He knew the call of God to minister was on his life, and he immediately began telling people about the transformation he experienced when he received Christ.

Steve was a graduate of Lincoln County High School ('72), North Georgia Technical Institute ('73), Beulah Heights University ('03), and was an ordained minister with the Assemblies of God.

Steve was an avid outdoorsman and loved hunting, fishing, and being on the lake with his family. He was a pastor, evangelist, musician, songwriter, author, church-planter, and mentor. In his lifetime, Steve preached more than 12,000 times. Many people knew him as all of these things, but his greatest hope was that he would be known as "Servant of God."



STEPHEN ROSS SNIDER

He was preceded in death by his mother and father, Dorothy Holloway Snider and Ralph Snider; his brother, Todd Snider; and his granddaughter, Abigail Christine Ogletree.

Steve is survived by his wife of 43 years, Robin Poss Snider; his children, Leah (Phillip) George, and Jared (Rebekah) Snider; his grandchildren, Ellie, Harrison, Hudson, and Conley; his brothers, Rollins Snider and Mike Snider; his mother-in-law, Emily Reese Leckie; and precious family members too numerous to name.

Memorial Contributions may be made to Lincolnton First Assembly of God for "GA Church Planting." Web: <https://app.securegive.com/FirstAOG/main>.

Beggs Funeral Home, 200 May Ave., Lincolnton, Georgia is honored to serve the family of Stephen Ross Snider.

Timothy Earl Hux

Mr. Timothy Earl Hux, 64 of Evans, Ga passed away on January 19, 2021.

Mr. Hux, son of the late Vernon L. and Loretta Hux was born on March 9, 1956 in Fort Campbell, Kentucky and had lived in the Augusta area. He was employed in the construction industry.

Survivors include his five children, Chris Blankenship, Dalton Roberts, Cody Hux, Skylar Hux

and Raven Hux, his three siblings, Vicky Langford (Skeeter), Vernon L. Hux, and Aubrey Hux; numerous nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, his sister, Tammy Boykin preceded him in death.

Due to COVID restrictions, there will be no viewing and a service may be held at a later date.

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