



## David Wayne Upchurch

November 27, 1951 - October 24, 2020

Nobles Funeral Home and Crematory announces the memorial service for David Wayne Upchurch, 68, who passed away Saturday, October 24, 2020. Born November 27th, 1951, David was a native of Appling County, a graduate of Appling County High School, Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College, and Georgia Southern. He was President of Bax-Steel Buildings, Inc., where he worked for 52 years. He was an active participant for the Sunshine Center and pallet company and served as a Chamber Member, Industrial Authority, WBT Board member, and Boy Scouts of America supporter. David had a vast array of interests that included: autocross racing, tennis, private pilot, reading, listening to blues and jazz music, and spending time with his horses.

David was reunited in death with his father, Eddie Ray Upchurch, sister, Katrina Marguerite Upchurch, and brother, William Bruce Upchurch.

David was a loving and devoted family man and is survived by wife, Phyllis NeSmith Upchurch. Four daughters: Meggie (Christian) Upchurch, Mandy Whitley, Allison Eldridge, Anna (Austin) Trapp. Three granddaughters: Harley Whitley, Braelyn Boatright, Brooklyn McLendon. Namesake and godson:

David Oliver Batten. Mother: Gwen Upchurch Two brothers: Kenny (Laurie) Upchurch, Jimmy Upchurch. A host of nieces and nephews. All had a special place in his heart and life.

Due to Covid-19, a closed - 'immediate family-only' - memorial service will be held October 26th, 2:00 p.m. at Nobles Funeral Home and Crematory with family and friends invited to pay their respects by participating in a drive-through processional beginning at 1:30. Condolences may be expressed by signing the Nobles on-line Tribute Wall. In lieu of flowers, the family requests remembrances be made to:

Memorial Health Dwaine and Cynthia Willett Children's Hospital of Savannah

4700 Waters Avenue

P.O. Box 23089

Savannah, Georgia 31403

Please mark your remembrance gift: In Memory of David Upchurch

Nobles Funeral Home and Crematory is honored to serve the family of Mr. David Wayne Upchurch.



# Tribute Wall

HT

“ *Phyllis...We just wanted you to know we love you and are so very sorry for the loss of David...Howard spent many, many years on the road for BaxSteel, he said out of the 53 yrs he worked for BaxSteel he Never missed a paycheck..if we can help in anyway, please don't hesitate to call!!*

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**Howard & Pat Turner** - October 28, 2020 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Praying for the family during this difficult time.*

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**David & Cheryl Pittman** - October 27, 2020 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ *Sending hugs and prayers your way. David was a very giving friend , B.W. went Bax Steel too purchase some metal for our granddaughter horse barn and they began talk about Taylor's love for horses and fact she was riding and barrel racing her horse Dixie.B said David insisted giving a discount on the metal and measured and roll the tin for her barn. We appreciated his kindness , saw him few weeks ago at B & F and he stopped tell us he seen our grandson Josh yesterday and what fine young man he was .We went home feeling proud after conversation with him. We are very saddened for your loss. B and Sandy Warren*

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**Sandy Warren** - October 27, 2020 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *Sending love and prayers to the Upchurch family! May Gods loving arms give you comfort and peace! Love to all!*

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**JoAnne Switzer** - October 26, 2020 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ *Your work on earth is done, rest now in the arms of God...you will be missed.*

Mitchell & Carrie Ann Stidham - October 26, 2020 at 12:00 AM

DY

“ *Love and prayers to the family. Tommy and Debra Youmans*

Debra Youmans - October 26, 2020 at 12:00 AM

HB

“ *Henry & Marianne Bowers lit a candle for*



Henry & Marianne Bowers - October 26, 2020 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ *Ms. Gwen and the entire Upchurch family, our hearts are broken, too. David was a true, genuine friend whom we have known for 68 years. We will miss his sweet smile and kind words. Please know that our prayers will be with you all during this sad time. Love and prayers, Jerry and Gayle Baxley*

Jerry and Gayle Baxley - October 26, 2020 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ *Our prayer go out for Aunt Gwen and all the family. Sending our love and thoughts during this time. May God wrap you in His love.*

Charlie & MaRandy Mincey - October 26, 2020 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ Gwen, Kenny, Jimmy, Phyllis, Megan, I am so sorry to hear of Davids passing! I know he, my Dad, Katrina. William, his Dad, and Grandmother Wilma are having a grand reunion! We love you! Prayers for peace that only God can give at this time!

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**Mary Norton Diamond** - October 26, 2020 at 12:00 AM

LL

“ Prayers to Mr David's family. Much respect for Mr David, truly good Man.

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**Lonnie & Joan Lightsey** - October 26, 2020 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ Eternal rest grant to him, O Lord; and let light perpetual shine upon him. May his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

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**Allison Flory** - October 26, 2020 at 12:00 AM

FH

“ our heart goes out to MR.DAVID an family please let us know if we can help in any way Always enjoyed working with him..HE WILL BE TRUELY MISSED..FREDDIE HUTTO HUTTO'S CATERING..

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**freddie hutto** - October 26, 2020 at 12:00 AM

VC

“ Mr. Upchurch will be dearly missedby all of us at State Farm. Prayers go up for Mrs. Phyllis and family

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**Vic, Sherry, & Chelsy** - October 26, 2020 at 12:00 AM

VS

“ *Meggie and family...as we said earlier this week when we spoke, please dont hesitate to ask for the things u need/want 912 278 0972...we love u all dearly and are grieving with u. Daddy David always treated me with love and kindness and that's what this world will miss from him. You all are definitely in our prayers. OneLove from Vern and Holly Smith and family!*

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**Vern and Holly Smith** - October 26, 2020 at 12:00 AM

HC

“ *Please know our prayers and thoughts are with all you today. Such great memories made with the Upchurch family.*

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**Harold, Vickie and Savannah Carter** - October 26, 2020 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ *We will miss him! He was a wonderful man! We love y'all and are praying for y'all!*

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**Amanda Murray** - October 26, 2020 at 12:00 AM

ES

“ *Phyllis and family my condolences to all of you. David was a very accomplished business man whose talents and contributions will be missed for many years. Knowing he was loved by all of you will make his journey a wonderful experience . May god bless you is my prayer.*

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**Emmett Johnson, sr** - October 26, 2020 at 12:00 AM

LA

“ For many years I have been acquainted with the Upchurch family. I have been their employee, customer, and contractor. It has been a pleasure. David I will miss you my Friend!! My prayers are with each one of the family.

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**Larry Atkinson** - October 25, 2020 at 12:00 AM

GM

“ Phyllis and family, I am so sorry to hear of David's passing. I know your heart is broken. I pray that Our Father wraps you in His loving arms and holds you all close. God's blessings on you all.

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**Glenda Mims** - October 25, 2020 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ Our thoughts go out to the family. David was a friend and a kind soul. We always enjoyed his company when he came to Savannah.

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**Don & Laura Johnson** - October 25, 2020 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ Condolences to David's family. We always enjoyed having David out at our autocross events with the Buccaneer Region SCCA.

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**Don Johnson** - October 25, 2020 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ Carlis Hand lit a candle for



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BM

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CH

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RC

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