



Col. George Washington Burnette III

November 10, 1933 - March 10, 2023

George Washington Burnette III was born on November 10, 1933, on a farm owned by the Wells family, in Crenshaw County, Alabama. He was the seventh of eleven children born to the union of the late Arvester and Georgia Lee Tisdale Burnette, conservative Southern Missionary Baptists. George transitioned peacefully to the loving hands of God on March 10, 2023.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **24**. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

South DeKalb Chapel
4347 Flat Shoals Pkwy.
Decatur, GA 30034
(404) 241-5656
info@levettfuneralhome.com

Family Hour (6PM-8PM)

MAR **24**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Gregory B Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory
4347 Flat Shoals Pkwy
Decatur, GA 30034
(404) 241-5656

Celebration of Life

MAR **25**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Hillside Presbyterian Church
1879 Columbia Drive
Decatur, GA 30032

Burial

MAR **25**. 1:30 PM - 1:45 PM (ET)

Melwood Cemetery
5170 East Ponce De Leon Avenue
Stone Mountain, GA 30083-121

Tribute Wall

JW

“ Was always impressed by his gentlemanly spirit. I met him late in his life through his participation in Sacred Harp singing. He shared one of his books with me and he clearly led a exemplary life. May angels attend him and the Holy Spirit give comfort to all who mourn him.

Joann Ward - March 31, 2023 at 11:36 AM

PB

“ Mr. Burnette changed my life and the lives of so many HBCU graduates! Thank you Colonel George W. Burnette III for shaping and molding our lives and directing us into our career choices. The FAA experienced diversity and inclusion under your leadership long before that became a cliché phrase, JOB WELL DONE Sir!! You will forever live in my heart . May you rest in peace 🙏🙏🙏

Paquita K Bradley - March 25, 2023 at 06:06 AM

SS

“ Col. Burnette and I worked closely to get our Tuskegee University students employed as co-ops with the FAA and upon graduation as full-time air traffic controllers. I am convinced that the impact Col. Burnette had upon integrating the FAA with men and women of Historically Black Colleges and Universities was Divinely led. Equally, I am very grateful that, without my knowledge or consent, Col. Burnette wrote a letter recommending that I would be promoted to Director of Career Development and Placement at our Alma Mater. I became the director, As I reflect on all of the work that Col. Burnette did on earth, I believe that when he sees the face of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, he will hear: Welcome, my good and faithful servant. That you, Col. Burnette's family for sharing him with us.

Sarah Stringer, Retired Director of Career Development and Placement, Tuskegee University, Tuskegee, AL

Sarah Stringer - March 24, 2023 at 09:15 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Col. George Washington Burnette III.



March 23, 2023 at 11:50 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Col. George Washington Burnette III.



March 23, 2023 at 10:15 PM

LF

“ Love, Phyllis Atkins & Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Col. George Washington Burnette III.



Love, Phyllis Atkins & Family - March 23, 2023 at 10:01 AM

NF

“ Wow. I can't say enough about what you did for me and my Air Traffic career. You lived a purpose filled life sir. Thank You Thank You Thank You !!

Norm Felder - March 22, 2023 at 08:30 PM



“ Delightful Dieffenbachia was purchased for the family of Col. George Washington Burnette III.



March 22, 2023 at 08:06 PM

EC

“ Mr. Burnett is the reason I'm an Air Traffic Controller today. He was a recruiter for the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and is the reason numerous college students pursued a career in the FAA. He was always respectful and encouraging. He was a wonderful man. My condolences to his family. I pray for God's peace for you all.

Emerson Colvin

Emerson Colvin - March 22, 2023 at 08:01 PM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Col. George Washington Burnette III.*



March 22, 2023 at 03:17 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Col. George Washington Burnette III.*



March 21, 2023 at 04:10 PM



“ *Claude & Christiane Burnett purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Col. George Washington Burnette III.*



Claude & Christiane Burnett - March 21, 2023 at 01:53 PM



“ *As my late mom, Helen's, best friend our family spent many fun times with George & Beth. I will pray for comfort for the family during this difficult time*

Connie Moore - March 20, 2023 at 11:40 PM

PT

“ I will never forget his teachings as her prepared me and others in my class to become elders at Hillside. He was very patient with us.
Pat TR

Patricia Thompson-Reid - March 20, 2023 at 03:36 PM

DD

“ I will never forget the delicious and nutritious breakfasts that MrGeorge prepared for Melanie and I on the weekends when I stayed the night. 💕💕



DrStephanie Davidson - March 20, 2023 at 10:43 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Col. George Washington Burnette III.



March 20, 2023 at 10:39 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Col. George Washington Burnette III.



March 19, 2023 at 01:47 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Col. George Washington Burnette III.*



March 19, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *As a college classmate of George, we took many classes together. He majored in social studies with a minor in English. I majored in English with a minor in social studies. We were cadets together and he enjoyed being a cadet LtCol.*



Nathan Johnson - March 17, 2023 at 09:23 PM



“ *I remember Sunday fellowship provided by Hillside Church. Mr. Burnette always greeted you with a hug, smile and story. We all loved his delicious BBQ meatballs and wings. He was the head chef of the church. We will always cherish his love and kindness. Love, Rene and Paul Vaughan.*

Rene and Paul Vaughan - March 17, 2023 at 09:12 PM



Rest In Peace uncle ❤️

Kenneth burnette - March 17, 2023 at 09:45 PM



RIP peace Unc. Going to miss that handshake and that hug I always had to ask for. Miss that smile u always had on your face.

Michelle Burnett - March 17, 2023 at 10:38 PM

MB

I'm one of his niece's his brother Joe's daughter.

Michelle Burnett - March 17, 2023 at 10:39 PM

RC

Uncle George such a beautiful soul. He had such a strong presence, but yet a gentle spirit. I thank God for him and his wisdom. I will forever cherish his memories of being a great role model to us all. Great husband, father, grandfather, uncle, friend and list goes on. We will miss him deeply. My deepest condolences to my aunt Bertha and my cousins Melanie, Greg and Todd. You all are in my thoughts and prayers. I love you all so much. Go's bless 💕

RaShana Craig - March 18, 2023 at 04:39 PM

DH

*Beth,
I am so saddened to hear of transition of your beloved George. I am extending my sincerest condolences to you and your family. Always keep your fondest memories of him close to your heart 💕. Sisterly love,
Deborah Hayes*

Deborah Hayes - March 19, 2023 at 09:41 AM

PF

I enjoyed singing Sacred Harp with George. A wonderful man - and a terrific bass voice

Paul Figura - March 20, 2023 at 12:20 PM



One of the great benefits of having Beth as a teacher at Hooper Alexander was George's cooking. They open up their home for holiday festivities. Everyone came, because we knew there would be great food. George barbecue was second to none. He was a kind loving husband and father. To God be the glory for my encounters with George and the Burnette family. Beth you are in my thoughts and prayers.

Pat Woodard - March 25, 2023 at 06:01 PM