



Robert Wyman Banks

September 2, 1935 - July 23, 2023

Saluda, SC

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Robert Wyman Banks died Sunday, July 23, 2023, at Saluda Nursing Center.

Born in Saluda County on September 2, 1935, and the son of the late Robert Lee Banks and Annie Ruth Nicholson Banks, he was the husband of Miriam Rushton Banks. He graduated from Hollywood High School Class of 1953. Early in life he worked with DuPont (SRS) then worked and retired from SCDOT Maintenance Office in Saluda. He was a member of the SC National Guard 122 ENG Company of Saluda. Mr. Banks was a lifelong member of Salem Baptist Church where he served previously as a Deacon and on numerous committees. He was also a member of the Hollywood Ruritan and Woodmen Life.

As a young man, Wyman enjoyed playing baseball and church league softball. He was an avid hunter and fisherman most of his life and an excellent marksman. He enjoyed playing golf, gardening, and cutting firewood.

Surviving are his wife of 60 years, Miriam R. Banks, son Richard Wyman Banks (Heather) and daughter Judy Lynn Banks, both of Saluda, and some

nieces and nephews.

Mr. Banks was preceded in death by two sisters, Katherine Sawyer and Joyce Boozer.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., Wednesday, July 26, 2023, at Salem Baptist Church with Rev. Jerrod Marshall officiating. Interment will follow in Salem Baptist Church Cemetery. The family will receive friends in the church fellowship hall after burial.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Salem Baptist Church 2226 Denny Hwy, Saluda, SC 29138, or Hollywood Ruritan Club 1011 Hwy 702, Chappells, SC 29037.

Cemetery Details

Salem Baptist Church Cemetery

2226 Denny Highway
Saluda, SC 29138

Previous Events

Funeral

JUL 26. 11:00 AM (ET)

Salem Baptist Church
2226 Denny Highway
Saluda, SC 29138

Visitation following Burial

JUL 26 (ET)

Salem Baptist Church
2226 Denny Highway
Saluda, SC 29138

Tribute Wall

GG

“ He served.

Mr. Wyman Banks was iconic at Salem Baptist Church for decades. Even from my childhood, I can still see him providing services such as house & grounds or maintenance. He served on many a church committee. He served as deacon. His life was dedicated to service.

With that said, Mr. Wyman unquestionably fulfilled the Bible verse found in Matthew 23:11 – “The greatest among you will be your servant.” To complement, Matthew 20: 27 and Mark 10:43 – “Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant.”

There was approximately a 40-year age gap between us. As a result, our paths seldom crossed. Still, we spoke on occasion. Our conversations were upbeat and cordial. I recall he asked me about my track & field experiences during my Saluda High School days. I also recall he visited my family’s residence coincidentally after I procured my first bird dog (an English short haired pointer). Mr. Wyman seemed to have a natural ability to correspond well with animals. My bird dog warmed up to him instantly. Animals seem to have that 6th sense pertaining to knowing if a person is friendly or not. Mr. Wyman was a friendly person with people and pets!

Although I have not seen Mr. Wyman in many years due to living out of state, I know that Salem Baptist and the Hollywood School community will miss him. Needless to say, his immediate family (Mrs. Miriam, Richard, and Judy) will miss him, too.

We do not replace people such as Mr. Wyman. We build upon the legacy and foundation such people have built! Rest in peace, Mr. Wyman.

With Honor & Respect,

Gregory D. Goff

Gregory Goff - July 26, 2023 at 11:13 AM

SH

“ *Sethalene Huff lit a candle in memory of Robert Banks*



Sethalene Scurry Huff - July 26, 2023 at 11:06 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Robert Wyman Banks.

July 26, 2023 at 10:17 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Robert Wyman Banks.*



July 26, 2023 at 10:17 AM

RB

“ *SGT Rob was a great friend and soldier. He served his country, state, community, and friends with the highest degree of honor. I will miss him and his smile very much. We have lost a great man. R.I.P. my Brother, Will see you again, Pvt. Hotdog Robert Booth*

Robert Booth - July 25, 2023 at 09:29 PM

TW

“ So sorry to hear of Mr. Wyman's passing. He was a great neighbor.
I know he will be missed.

-- Tim & Judy Wallace

Tim Wallace - July 25, 2023 at 12:26 PM

SW

“ So sorry for your lose praying for you all love
you, Margaret Boykin



Shannon B. Willis - July 25, 2023 at 11:51 AM

JR

“ Joyce Rude lit a candle in memory of Robert
Banks



Joyce Perry Rude - July 25, 2023 at 06:41 AM

KG

“ Kelsey Goodman lit a candle in memory of
Robert Banks



Kelsey Goodman - July 24, 2023 at 06:39 PM

WG

“ *William Naomi Goodman lit a candle in memory of Robert Banks*



William and Naomi Goodman - July 24, 2023 at 06:39 PM

BG

“ *Brenda Goodman lit a candle in memory of Robert Banks*



Brenda Goodman - July 24, 2023 at 06:38 PM

BH

“ *We extend our sympathy to all the family.*



Bill and Angelia S Hawes - July 24, 2023 at 03:16 PM