



John Durwood Wilson

December 1, 1938 - February 18, 2025

John Durwood Wilson, known by most as Durwood, 86, of Prattville, Alabama, was called to his heavenly home on Tuesday, February 18, 2025. A devoted servant of the Lord, Durwood's life was marked by his deep commitment to ministry, where he served through various channels, most notably with Carpenters for Christ, The Gideons International, and as both a Sunday school teacher and Deacon at Crestview Baptist Church and his beloved Camellia Baptist Church, where he was a faithful member for over 40 years. Durwood's greatest joy in life was his family, whom he cherished deeply. He was a loving son, husband, father, grandfather, brother, and uncle. His love for his family knew no bounds, and he will be forever remembered for the care and dedication he gave to those he held dear.

Durwood was preceded in death by his devoted wife of 64 years, Patsy; his parents, Harvey and Mavis Wilson; and his son-in-law, Jeff Donaldson. He leaves behind two daughters, Sabrina Donaldson and Cindy Newton (Mike); five grandchildren, Rachel Arthur (Kenny), Ashley Locke (Jeff), Steven Newton (Summitt), Brandon Newton (Amy), and Tiffany Painter (Jeffery); eight great-grandchildren, with another on the way in May; his sister, Merlene Bruner; two nieces, three nephews, and a host of extended family and friends.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, February 19, 2025, from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Prattville Memory Gardens. A viewing will take place on

Thursday, February 20, 2025, from 1:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. at Camellia Baptist Church, with the funeral service to follow at 2:00 p.m. Pastor James Taylor and Rev. Glenn Brock will officiate. Burial will follow at Prattville Memory Gardens, with Prattville Memorial directing.

Serving as pallbearers will be Steven Newton, Brandon Newton, Kenny Arthur, Jeff Locke, Jeffery Painter, and Hunter Arthur.

The family kindly requests memorial donations be made in Durwood's name to The Gideons International (<https://www.gideons.org/donate>) or to Camellia Baptist Church (201 Woodvale Road, Prattville, AL 36067).

Durwood's legacy of faith, love, and service to others will continue to inspire all who knew him. He will be greatly missed but forever loved.

Cemetery Details

Prattville Memory Gardens

841 Fairview Avenue
Prattville, AL

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **19**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Prattville Memorial Chapel
841 Fairview Avenue
Prattville, AL 36066
(334) 365-7147
prattvillememorial@live.com

Visitation

FEB **20**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Camellia Baptist Church
201 Woodvale Rd.
Prattville, AL 36067

Service

FEB **20**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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201 Woodvale Rd.
Prattville, AL 36067

Tribute Wall

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“ I've known Durwood, Patsy and family 50 yrs I think, not only from church but he was my boss at one time, I enjoyed his smile and humor, perfect example of a faithful Christian for Christ. Oh what JOY he is experiencing right now, with his beloved Patsy, Jesus and friends. You will be missed dear friend, Prayers for all the family 🙏

Lydia Clark Coker - February 20, 2025 at 08:52 AM

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“ Prayers that God will wrap His Loving Arms around each and every one of you and give you comfort and peace. I have great memories of Mr Donaldson growing up. Sending hugs!

Julie Israel Crowe - February 19, 2025 at 02:23 PM