

Therefore we are
always
confident
knowing that,
whilst we are at home in the body,
we are absent from the Lord.
(For we walk by faith & not by sight.)
We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be

absent from the body:
and to be present with the Lord

Wherefore we labor that,
whether present or absent, we may be

accepted
of Him
- II Corinthians 5:6-9

Celebrating
A LIFE

What a comfort...

For us to know that our burden of grief
was shared by our family & friends.

~ Thank You



In Loving Memory of
William Calvin "Bill" Irby
February 1, 1937 - August 8, 2024



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Don't think of him as gone away -
his **JOURNEY'S JUST BEGUN**,
life holds so many facets -
this earth is only one.

Just think of him as resting
from the sorrows and the tears
in a place of *warmth*
AND COMFORT
where there are no days and years.

Think how he must be wishing
that we could know today
how nothing but our sadness
can really pass away.

In the *Hearts* of those he touched
for nothing loved is ever lost -
And he was loved so much.
- Ellen Brenneman

"Bill"

Funeral Service

3 o'clock in the afternoon
Monday, August 12, 2024

Memorial Chapel of Berry Funeral Home

Officiating

Rev. Ray Austin

Interment

Elmhurst Cemetery

Pallbearers

Drew Irby, Alex Irby, Matthew Irby,
Tyler Brown, George Lewis, Robert Williams

Contributions

American Heart Association
American Cancer Society
T.J. & Friends Foundation

*A Service of
Berry Funeral Home
Elberton, Georgia*

Living Memory

William Calvin "Bill" Irby, 87, of Elberton passed away on Thursday August 8, 2024, at Elbert Memorial Hospital with his family by his side.

Bill was born in Athens, GA, on February 1, 1937, he was the son of the late Guy William Irby and Myrtle Grace Landrum Irby. Also proceeding him in death were his brother, Tommy Irby; and niece, Lori Irby.

He is survived by his wife of 66 years, Juliella "Julie" Curtis Irby, of the home; son, Dr. William Curtis Irby (Alicia) of Carrollton; daughter, Cathi Irby Jones (Dan) of Elberton; grandchildren: Brooke Jones of Elberton, Drew Irby (Sarah) of Baton Rouge, LA, Amanda Jones Brown (Tyler) of Macon, Alex Irby (Angel) of Newnan, and Matthew Irby (Lindsey) of Greenville, SC; great-granddaughters: Madeline, Morgan, and Ella Grace Irby of Baton Rouge, LA, Avery Algood of Elberton, and Carter Brown of Macon; and a host of nieces and nephews.

Bill graduated from Athens High School in 1955, and was a 1958 Graduate of Young Harris College. He was employed by Georgia Power Company and retired from their Royston office where he served as local manager. He helped organize and served as the first President of the Royston Downtown Development. He was a member of the Royston Rotary Club where he served as president and the Jaycees of Hartwell.

Upon his retirement, Bill and Julie enjoyed traveling with friends across the US and Canada. He was an avid outdoorsman who enjoyed hunting and fishing, as well as spending quality time with family and friends. His grandkids considered him not only their Papa, but their friend.