



## Mr. Carl Rooks

September 16, 1923 - April 11, 2014

Mr. James Carl Rooks, of Bowdon, Georgia, passed away on April 11, 2014. He was 90.

Carl was born on September 16, 1923 to the late James Clinton and Eva Mae Tyson Rooks. He worked as a Carroll County Sheriff's and served as the City of Bowdon's Chief of Police for many, many years. After his retirement from law enforcement, Carl was elected to the Carroll County Board of Commissioners. He was also named Bowdon's Citizen of the Year during their Founder's Day Celebration. He loved to fish and hunt, especially quail hunt, and with his brother, Jerald and many others, walked countless miles through the fields and cut timber of Georgia and Alabama. He was a member of Bowdon Baptist Church and Bowdon Lodge No. 206 F&AM where he received his 50 year apron. But what Carl will be most remembered for is his love of people, especially his family. He was a loving father and grandfather and his presence will be greatly missed.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Vernie Lee Rooks; his son, Jimmy Rooks; and his brother, Jerald Rooks.

Survivors include his daughter and son-in-law, Rhonda and John Short; his grandchildren and their spouses, Sam and Allison Short and Staci and Brian Rogers; his step-grandchildren and their spouses, Tiomi Short, Kyle Short and

Lynn Spratlin, Nona and Rick Holland, and Kim and Marc Smith; his great-grandchildren, Hank Wardlaw, Trey Short, Jase Short, Chase Rogers, Cali Rogers, and Carl Frank Rogers; his step-great-grandchildren, Jake Smith, Shane Smith, Nikki Watkins, and her husband, Darrell, and Alli Janney, and her husband, James; and one step-great-great-grandchild, Tristan Watkins. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held on Monday, April 14, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. at Bowdon Baptist Church. Rev. Keith Ramage will officiate and Sheriff Terry Langley will offer a eulogy. Pallbearers will be Mark Brock, Tim Brock, Terry Langley, Terry Thompson, Lee Rainwater, Mark Robinson, and Shane Moore. Current and former Bowdon Police Department employees and law enforcement officers will serve as honorary pallbearers. Interment will follow in Bowdon City Cemetery.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Sunday, April 13, 2014 from 3:00 till 6:00 p.m.

# Cemetery Details

## Bowdon City Cemetery

Johnson Street  
Bowdon, GA 30108

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **13**. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Rainwater Funeral Home  
317 North Carroll Street  
Bowdon, GA 30108  
(770) 258-7239  
[info@rainwaterfuneralhome.com](mailto:info@rainwaterfuneralhome.com)  
<https://www.rainwaterfuneralhome.com>

## Service

APR **14**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Bowdon Baptist Church  
205 Mill Street  
Bowdon, GA 30108

# Tribute Wall

DK

“ *Debbie Knowles lit a candle in memory of Mr. Carl Rooks*



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**Debbie Knowles** - April 23, 2014 at 06:48 AM

SW

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the family during this time. Mr. and Mrs Sedrick Wiggins*



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**Sedrick Wiggins** - April 22, 2014 at 12:13 PM

GM

“ *Gordon/Mary McLeroy lit a candle in memory of Mr. Carl Rooks*



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**Gordon/Mary McLeroy** - April 15, 2014 at 01:02 PM

DH

“ *Donna Robinson Hudgins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Carl Rooks*



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**Donna Robinson Hudgins** - April 15, 2014 at 10:18 AM

DH

“ Rhonda I am thinking of you during this sad time.



Donna Robinson Hudgins - April 13, 2014 at 10:10 PM

DH

“ Rhonda I am thinking of you doing this sad

Donna Robinson Hudgins - April 13, 2014 at 10:09 PM

JG

“ Jimmy & Sara George lit a candle in memory of Mr. Carl Rooks



Jimmy & Sara George - April 13, 2014 at 08:15 PM

TC

“ Tommy & Judy Cantrell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Carl Rooks



Tommy & Judy Cantrell - April 13, 2014 at 02:49 PM

TS

“ Tommy And Kay (Stogner) Smith lit a candle  
in memory of Mr. Carl Rooks



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**Tommy and Kay (Stogner) Smith** - April 12, 2014 at 07:17 PM

RJ

“ Randy & Marie Johnson lit a candle in  
memory of Mr. Carl Rooks



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**Randy & Marie Johnson** - April 12, 2014 at 12:46 PM

AA

“ Ann Anderson lit a candle in memory of Mr.  
Carl Rooks



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**Ann Anderson** - April 11, 2014 at 10:58 PM