

Mr. J.W. "Billy" Bartlett

July 29, 1940 - March 27, 2025

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of John William "Billy" Bartlett, a cherished husband, father and PawPaw, who passed away peacefully at home on March 27, 2025, at the age of 84.

Billy was born July 29, 1940. He served in the National Guard for four years and then worked in the paint department at Ford Motor Company for 30 years. After retiring from Ford, he operated a dairy and chicken farm until he was 80 years old.

Billy was best known for his fun-loving personality, his infectious smile, his love for his family and friends, and his passion for Jeep rides and farming. Billy is preceded by his beloved wife of 62 years, Barbara Jean Bartlett; his parents, John Bernard "Pete" Bartlett and Louise Otwell Bartlett; his siblings, Betty Joe Bartlett and Terry Lee Bartlett.

Survived by his beloved wife, Shirley Smith; his children and their spouses, Dewayne and Donya Bartlett, Denise and Doug Grooms; his grandchildren and their spouses, Denae and Ryan Nance, Brandi Bartlett, Justin Bartlett, Dusty and Taylor Grooms, Dani and Robert McPherson; his great grandchildren, Kasin, Brinley, Weston, Hudson, Everlee and Scarlet Nance, Etta and Calvin Grooms; his bonus family, Duane and Angie Smith, Tim and Melody Conner, Kevin and Mona Wiley, 10 grandkids and 19 great grandkids. Billy will be deeply missed, but his spirit will live on in the hearts of those who loved him.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Sunday, March 30, 2025

from 2-5 p.m.

Funeral services will be held on Monday, March 31, 2025 at 3:00 p.m. in the Chapel of Rainwater Funeral Home. Interment will follow at Mountain View Baptist Church Cemetery

Cemetery Details

Mountain View Cemetery

1928 Highpoint Road
Bowdon, GA 30108

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 30. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Craig Walker lit a candle in memory of Mr. J.W. "Billy" Bartlett*



Craig Walker - April 15, 2025 at 08:48 AM

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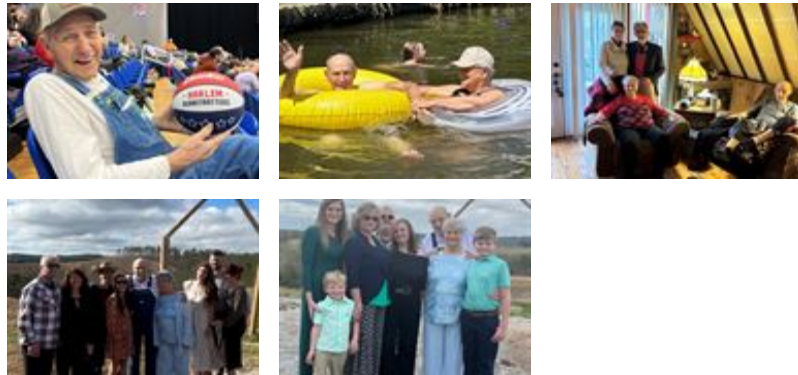
“ *Mr Billy was a person that would always make you smile his down to earth personality and the friendly demeanor that made you feel comfortable around him. He would talk to anyone like he had known them all of their lives. I took my grandchildren up to the dairy one time and took them on a tour and that's something that very few kids these days will ever experience. He gave them some chocolate milk and it was on after that so I had to make sure I had some every weekend. It was the best I've ever tasted and the buttermilk was a must for the best biscuits, pancakes or cornbread.*



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“ tina treadwell lit a candle in memory of J.W.
"Billy" Bartlett



tina treadwell - March 29, 2025 at 06:14 PM



“ Sherrie Musick lit a candle in memory of J.W.
"Billy" Bartlett



Sherrie Musick - March 29, 2025 at 12:55 PM

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“ *Bart Loftin sent a virtual gift in memory of J.W.
"Billy" Bartlett*



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