



W. Howard Beckwith

June 3, 1937 - March 29, 2021

W. Howard Beckwith, 83, of Florence, SC, passed away on Monday, March 29, 2021.

Mr. Beckwith was born a son of the late Mary Carter Beckwith and William Harvey Beckwith. He retired from South Carolina Highway Patrol after 42 years of service. He was the 2014 Omar Shrine Potentate and a member of Amity Lodge.

In addition to his parents, he is predeceased in death by his grandson, Joshua Marino, and brothers, Tex Beckwith and Bob Beckwith.

He is survived by his wife, Pat Jackson Beckwith; daughters, Debbie Watson and Julie Briggs; son, Harvey Beckwith; grandchildren, Wesley Beckwith and Harrison Beckwith; brothers, Bill Beckwith and Clayton Beckwith; and sister, Sue Turbeville.

Funeral Service will be held at 2:00 PM on Friday, April 2, 2021, at Stoudenmire-Dowling Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow at Catfish Creek Baptist Church Cemetery in Latta.

Family will receive friends from 12:00 – 2:00 PM on Friday at the funeral home.

Due to the current COVID-19 concerns, social distancing will be observed.

Please sign the tribute wall for the family at www.stoudenmiredowling.com.

Cemetery

Catfish Creek Baptist Church
Cemetery

Latta, SC,

Events

APR 2	Visitation	12:00PM - 02:00PM
	Stoudenmire-Dowling Funeral Home 2402 South Irby Street, Florence, SC, US, 29505	

APR 2	Funeral Service	02:00PM
	Stoudenmire-Dowling Funeral Home Chapel 2402 S. Irby Street, Florence, SC, US	

Comments



“ Oh how he brightened my day every time he came to the pharmacy smiling and talking about his beautiful wife. Then we would catch up on how Harvey's was doing.lol,he was always telling good story's. He had the biggest heart and I will truly miss his joyful spirit.

Michelle Hammond Campbell - April 02 at 09:15 AM



“ Omar Divan and Office Staff purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of W. Howard Beckwith.



Omar Divan and Office Staff - April 01 at 12:00 PM



“ Lady Pat, and Family so sorry to hear of the passing of Brother Howard. He will always have a place in my families heart, for stopping the Shrine Parade for my Son Steven to propose to his wife Savanna. I really enjoyed that year being on Howard's staff as Director of the VIP Escorts. My Thoughts and Prayers go out to You and Family.

Steve Cooper
VIP Escorts

Steve Cooper - April 01 at 09:38 AM



“ Debbie, I admired your Dad. A fair and great man.

Bryan Tripp - April 01 at 09:24 AM



“ We at Jahab Shrine club are so sorry to hear of Howard's passing. We remember fondly when Howard and Lady Pat came to the Hampton County Watermelon Festival. We enjoyed having them and both appeared to have a great time. Lady Pat, you and the family are in our prayers. We will miss Howard. God bless you.

Richard Zeigler - April 01 at 09:18 AM



“ We are so sorry for your loss. We just enjoyed the times we spent with both Illustrious Sir Howard and Lady Pat. Love to all your family. Illustrious Sir Roland Jennings and Lady Suzanne.



Suzanne Blackie - April 01 at 09:10 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of W. Howard Beckwith.



April 01 at 07:45 AM



“ We were so very sorry to hear of Uncle Howard's passing. He was such an inspiring man with his dedication to Law Enforcement, the Shriners Organization, and his love for his family. To Aunt Trish, and the rest of the family, you are in our prayers.

Love,
Wayne and Tina Jackson

Wayne & Tina Jackson - March 31 at 10:43 PM



“ Pat and family, Howard was always one of my favorite Potentates. And David always told me how much he admired what Howard did and stood for. You all are in my prayers and I send you condolences for your loss. All my love, Ruth Carr



Ruth Carr - March 31 at 03:08 PM



“ I loved uncle Howard and enjoyed every opportunity I got to visit him. He came to Myrtle Beach to see me at my office and I introduced him to my coworkers and he as usual had a story to tell. He was also there for me through many very difficult times. I took comfort in knowing he would always be just a phone call away. Today I take comfort in knowing he's in heaven with my Daddy. All my love to aunt Trish, Harvey, Julie, Debbie and all the rest of our love ones

Sandy Beckwith - March 31 at 12:20 PM



“ ILL Sir Howard was a good man and a great Shriner. He probably sold more for the Shrine than any one person I know. He was always true to himself and those that he served. He will be missed by many but especially me. I enjoyed being on his Divan at Omar Shrine.

Fraternally,
Ralph A Calhoun II, P.P.

Ralph Calhoun II - March 31 at 11:46 AM



“ ONE OF THE BEST MEN I HAVE EVER KNOW !
Love this family ! God be wth you ! Sending my prayers.

Dora Smith - March 31 at 11:45 AM



“ I know you do not know me but I thought the world of Mr Beckwith. My brother was highway patrol (Colie Metts) and we would talk he was such a fine man. I am so sorry for your loss and all of you are in my prayers.

Deborah Crider - March 31 at 11:38 AM



“ I am sorry to hear of Howard's passing. I knew him as hard working and always busy. He loved his wife so very much. Rest in peace, Howard.

Cathy Williams - March 31 at 11:11 AM



“ I am so so sorry to hear about Mr. Beckwith. His love for the Shriner's and making people laugh are beyond words.
Please know you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.
I was a Shriner's kid and My family and I will always be grateful to Mr. Beckwith and the Omar Imps for all they did on earth. They are truly earthly angels.
My sincere condolences,
Charlotte Joye Ward

Also my father Wayne Joye sends his prayers and thoughts to the family!

Charlotte - March 31 at 09:17 AM



“ Miss Pat and family, We are proud to have shared many years with you and Mr. Howard working for the Shrine. Howard was a true friend and an great man whether it was on the highway patrol, Masonic Lodge, or the Shrine. He always put others first. We will miss him, but know that he is where he needs to be. He will be driving that great patrol car in the sky watching over you and all of us. Rest easy Illustrious Sir.
John and Bonnie Berchielli

John Berchielli - March 31 at 07:41 AM



“ Donald & Marion Peterson lit a candle in memory of W. Howard Beckwith



Donald & Marion Peterson - March 30 at 07:01 PM



“ I'm sorry to hear of the passing of Howard , I met him in 2009 at the Omar Temple when he ran for the Oriental Guide and found out then that he and my dad were on the SCHP together in the Florence district. Ever since when we ran across each other in our Shrine travels we always had a good conversation about different things. My prayers for Mrs Beckwith and the family
Gene Parker and rest of the family of Lloyd Parker

Tolar E Parker - March 30 at 06:13 PM



“ Pat I am so sorry to hear my old friend passing and to let you no we have you in our prayers your old friend Joe Moree

joe moree - March 30 at 06:05 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of W. Howard Beckwith.



March 30 at 04:35 PM



“ To the Howard BECKWITH Family
I & Many Will Miss a Great Masonic-Shiner---
My Traveling Partner to Tampa for the
Shrine Convention---God Bless, Jerry Owens

JERRY OWENS - March 30 at 04:08 PM



“ Sorry to hear of the passing of Howard he will be missed by many people .

Jerold Slesinger - March 30 at 04:04 PM



“ Harvey, I'm sorry to hear about your dad. If you need anything let me know. To a friend from a friend I'm here for you Your dad is flying high with them beautiful wings

Cherryredd Cribb - March 30 at 03:56 PM



“ I am so sorry to hear of the passing of my friend and such a great man. Illustrious Sir, you will be missed by all of us but more especially your Shrine family.

Dennis Weaver - March 30 at 03:23 PM



“ Pat praying for you and family and remembering the training days that I had with him on patrol thank you for all that you and Howard did for me and my family when I moved to Florence great man all around I will miss him.

gary proffitt - March 30 at 03:05 PM



“ Goodbye old friend. I will miss you. We had a good time in 2014. Steve Tucker, PP, Jamil Shriners, 2014.

Steve Tucker - March 30 at 03:01 PM