



F. Bruce Howell

January 4, 1927 - May 27, 2024

Furman Bruce Howell, 97, of Greer, loving husband of 57 years to the late Lora Pace Howell, and son of the late Furman Toy Howell and Agnes Bruce Howell, died Monday, May 27, 2024.

Bruce, a native and lifelong resident of Greer, graduated from Davenport High School (now Greer High School). He was drafted into the United States Army, where he served during WWII. After completing his military service, he returned to Greer and worked in the engraving department at Taylors Mill. Alongside his job at Taylors Mill, he sold and serviced Electrolux vacuum cleaners. Bruce retired from the United States Postal Service after over 40 years of dedicated service. Even in retirement, he continued to maintain Electrolux machines for his customers and transported cars for several local dealerships, including Dick Brooks Honda in Greer. He also volunteered for Greer Community Ministries delivering Meals on Wheels.

Bruce was a long-time member of Victor Baptist Church in Greer, where he served as a leader, deacon, choir member, and Sunday School Director. On September 10, 2023, the church honored him for his more than 70 years of dedicated service to the church's Sunday School.

He is survived by his daughter, Lisa Jones (Justin) of Winston-Salem, NC; a son, LaVerne Howell (Susan) of Greenville; a sister, Martha Greene of Greenville; a grandson, Pace Howell; and a niece, Tanya Foushee (Ron).

A Celebration of life will be held 11:00 a.m. Friday, May 31, 2024, at Victor Baptist Church conducted by Rev. Ken Vickery and Rev. Justin Jones, with

visitation following the service until 1:00 p.m. The burial will be private for the family.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial gift to Victor Baptist Church, P.O. Box 1147, Greer, SC, 29652, or The Justin W. Jones Evangelistic Association, 4613 Andrews Drive, Winston-Salem, NC, 27106.

Friends are encouraged to share their favorite memories of Bruce with the family by clicking on the button labeled "Leave A Message, Share A Memory" at www.thewoodmortuary.com.

Cemetery Details

Hillcrest Memory Gardens

14050 East Wade Hampton Boulevard
Greer, SC 29651

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAY 31. 11:00 AM (ET)

Victor Baptist Church
121 New Woodruff Road
Greer, SC 29651

Tribute Wall

ER

“ Knew Bruce for many years and served along side him at Victor Baptist Church. He was a fine outstanding gentleman and Christ Servant.

Gene Ravan

EUGENE D RAVAN - June 16, 2024 at 04:32 PM

DN

“ So many fond memories of Bruce as I was growing up. My dad and his brother sang with Lora and we often went to their house to practice. Bruce was always fun for me as a kid to be around, cutting up while the others sang. I still think of them when I travel 29 past where they lived. David Nelson.

David Nelson - June 12, 2024 at 02:46 PM

MM

“ Bruce was a very nice guy and a good friend. We worked beside each other for many years at the Greer Post Office.

Mike Mauney - June 05, 2024 at 08:06 PM

SG

“ Bruce was such kind and thoughtful person. When I came back to work after my husband died, he cased my box holders before I returned from the route. Even though I did not know him well, I will never forget that thoughtful gesture. Truly a good Christian man!

Sylvia Gregory - June 02, 2024 at 10:42 PM

LK

“ Laura & Kirk planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of F. Bruce Howell.

Laura & Kirk - May 30, 2024 at 07:44 PM

LK

“ Laura & Kirk purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of F. Bruce Howell.



Laura & Kirk - May 30, 2024 at 07:44 PM

BD

“ I worked with Bruce at the Greer Post Office as his sub. He was the most kind and considerate person. I have many wonderful memories of him. I was young with small children. He taught me many things. I know he is rejoicing in heaven. See you again my friend❤️

Beverly Dirsey - May 30, 2024 at 07:56 AM

KV

“ Both our families were close friends and I grew up with Lisa & LaVerne in church at Victor Baptist. I have so many good memories of the fun & laughter we shared growing up together as children & all the many times we shared with Bruce & Lora, Lisa & LaVerne at our home or theirs. Bruce always had a sweet smile & something kind to say. God bless you all during this difficult time.

Kim Vaughn - May 29, 2024 at 10:57 PM

EK

“ *Laverne, Susan and Chase,*

We are sorry to hear of your loss. Mr. Howell kept me vacuuming for years, and it was always a pleasure to be with him. Over the years Laverne has kept me updated on his dad. I pray that God will bless you and all your family with His great comfort during this time of grief. Elaine and Gary King

Elaine and Gary King - May 29, 2024 at 05:11 PM

CD

“ *Carol Duncan lit a candle in memory of F. Bruce Howell*



Carol Duncan - May 29, 2024 at 01:10 PM

KB

“ *I have known Bruce and Lora since I was a child. They were great Christian people. God bless each of the Family.*

Kitt Cureton Brown - May 29, 2024 at 11:08 AM

RV

“ *My father worked with Bruce at Electrolux and cherished him as a dear friend and colleague. When I moved to Greenville in 1999 to serve Berea First Baptist Church, I became friends with Laverne, not knowing that his father and my father were the coworkers we'd grown up hearing about. That Electrolux connection deepened my friendship with Laverne. I join the family in remembering Bruce and thanking God for his wonderful journey through this life.*

Ronald "Dee" Vaughan - May 28, 2024 at 09:27 PM

LT

“ I met Mr Howell when he delivered Meals on Wheels. Always had an infectious smile and so very kind. Such a pleasure to be around. Prayers for his family and friends during the days ahead.

Linda Teems - May 28, 2024 at 07:05 PM

CH

“ Carol Heitter planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of F. Bruce Howell.

Carol Heitter - May 28, 2024 at 06:52 PM

CH

“ Carol Heitter purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of F. Bruce Howell.



Carol Heitter - May 28, 2024 at 06:52 PM

BS

“ LaVerne, Susan and Pace and the rest of family you are in my thoughts and prayers.

Barbara Jane Stowe - May 28, 2024 at 05:47 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of F. Bruce Howell.



May 28, 2024 at 04:49 PM

SI

“ We will miss our great neighbor. Condolences to the family...🙏❤️

sizemore - May 28, 2024 at 04:33 PM

ME

*Fond memories of Bruce and Martha at their Father's Tent Meetings at Henson School. Their mother was my Dad's cousin.
Merle Henson Ervin, Summerville, S.C.*

Merle Ervin - May 29, 2024 at 01:08 PM