



Gerald Padgett

September 15, 1943 - February 7, 2013

Gerald Malcolm Padgett, 69, of 8 Hanging Moss Lane, went home to be with the Lord February 7, 2013 at Greenville Memorial Hospital surrounded by family and friends.

Born in North Carolina, son of the late Rev. A.A. Padgett and Darlene Williams Padgett, he was a 1966 graduate of Clemson University with a degree in Civil Engineering and was commissioned as a 2nd Lt. in the U.S. Army the same day. Mr. Padgett was the owner and operator of Padgett Construction and Springhill Realty and the builder and developer of Praise Cathedral Church of God Complex. He was a member of Praise Cathedral and the S.C. Professional Engineers Association.

Surviving are his wife, Marcie Rush Padgett of the home; a daughter, Stacey Padgett of Taylors; son-in-law, John Durfee of LaGrange, Georgia; two sons and daughter-in-law, Joey Padgett of Ewa Beach, Hawaii and Michael and Angie Padgett of Simpsonville; a brother and sister-in-law, Sonny and Jeraldine Padgett of Easley; two sisters and brother-in-law, Patsy Padgett of Simpsonville and Pam and Rickey Keith of Magee, Mississippi; his five beloved grandchildren, Rachel, Emma, Alex, Sam and Garrett; and a faithful sister-in-law, Judy Forrest.

Mr. Padgett was predeceased by a brother, John Padgett.

Funeral services will be held 2:00 p.m. Sunday at Praise Cathedral, conducted by Rev. Jerry Madden, Rev. Bobby Johnson, and Dr. Tommy Harvey. Burial will follow in Graceland East Memorial Park.

Pallbearers will be George March, Ken Howard, Ron Blackwell, Gary Vincent, Ken Standridge, and Kevin Tumblin.

Honorary escort will be J.B. Leverette, Bruce Pike, Frank McCleer, Mike Yearwood, and Ted Leviton.

The family would like to thank the nurses and techs at DaVita Dialysis in Greer for their special care and love they have shown over the past 7 years.

Visitation will be held 6:00-8:00 p.m. Saturday at the church.

The family is at the home.

Memorials may be made to the American Kidney Fund, 6110 Executive Blvd., Rockville, Maryland 20852.

Online condolences may be made at www.thewoodmortuary.com

Cemetery Details

Graceland East Memorial Park

2206 Woodruff Road
Simpsonville, SC 29681

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **9**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Praise Cathedral
3390 Brushy Creek Road
Greer, SC 29650

Service

FEB **10**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

LY

“ *Lynn Yeargin lit a candle in memory of Gerald Padgett*



Lynn Yeargin - February 11, 2013 at 09:55 PM

LY

I always admire, respected and loved working together with Gerald. I learn a lot from him. He will always be a special person in my life. Lynn Yeargin

Lynn Yeargin - February 11, 2013 at 09:59 PM

MB

“ *Marcie, Stacey, Joey, Michael and all the Padgett family,*

My thoughts are with you guys. Growing up, I remember so much about Mr. Gerald. I feel honored to have had him as such a good influence in my life growing up.

Michelle Bridges Bliss

Michelle Bridges Bliss - February 11, 2013 at 09:27 AM

BS

“ *To the Padgett Family,*

My Deepest and Sincere Condolences I send you. I am so grateful I got to be a part of Gerald's Life. He had a huge impact on my life. I am so glad he knew he had the house sold. I am here if you need my for anything at all and I know God is right there with you carrying you through.

Love You All,

Bob Schmidt

Bob Schmidt - February 09, 2013 at 10:46 AM

TD

“ *Dear Marcie and Family,*

Gerald and I graduated from Greenwood High and Clemson together. Brenda and I send our sincere condolences.

Tom Dukes

Tom Dukes - February 09, 2013 at 08:03 AM

CD

“ To The Padgett Family,

Gerald Padgett was a true Christian gentleman who made the world a better place for being in it. He is a true friend to our family and we will miss him here on this earth. However, we live with the great hope of reunion some day in a land where we will never grow old. May God continue to bless Marcie and the entire family. Our prayers are with you and we love you.

CW, Bobbie, and Chuck Dulin

Chuck Dulin - February 08, 2013 at 10:40 PM

DN

“ Dear Marci and family,

I was sad but glad when I heard of Gerald's passing. I am so happy his trials are over and he is praising KING JESUS!!! He will be missed greatly I know. Take caree of yourself Marci. Call me should you need someone to talk with. 238-5751

Loved to all, Diane Norris

diane norris - February 08, 2013 at 09:07 PM

RC

“ Rhonda C. purchased the Simply Elegant Spathi phyllum for the family of Gerald Padgett.



Rhonda C. - February 08, 2013 at 07:46 PM

JC

“ Sitting here pondering what life is going to be like without Gerald in it. Our fathers were friends since they were young teenagers; there has always been a Padgett in our circle of friends. I glance over at his book, *Finding God's Purpose, Finally!*, and I am amused at the many stories, jokes and family fun that Gerald's memory possessed. The book has more than a few reference to Lukes and lots of pictures of our Dads together, the story of Jonathan and David comes to mind. I will remember personally the many times we saw Gerald and it seemed like it was just yesterday but alas it was weeks, months or even a year ago but the mutual love and respect for our families would always pop up in the picture! Most recently, I was diagnosed with cancer, underwent surgery and experienced life threatening complications. During that recovery time, I received notes from Gerald, a book (inscribed to me that he hoped I would get saved!) and phone calls that left me in tears of joy for a friend who would encourage me. Thinking of Gerald or upon seeing him would always elicit a smile from me; that should be a gift of the spirit but it escapes me as to what you would call it. My sister Judy and I always thought of him as a big brother who just happened to have a different last name. Marcie and family, I know that he could never be replaced but we all know what place he is inhabiting now and he is just waiting for the rest of us to come on in. Love and prayers to you all.

Janet Luke Combs and Judy Luke Morgan

Janet Luke Combs - February 08, 2013 at 05:58 PM

BG

“ Gerald,
You were my best friend and I will miss you terribly. I understand there were many who felt you were their best friend which is a testament of the man you are. Debra, Chandler and I will be there for Marcie when she needs us.

Bill and Debra Goodrich

Bill Goodrich - February 08, 2013 at 03:41 PM