



H. Alvin Freeman

November 17, 1927 - March 28, 2011

On March 28, 2011, H. Alvin Freeman, beloved husband of Betty Brown Freeman, passed away quietly at their home in Lyman, SC. His death followed several years of declining health. He was a member of First Baptist Church, Lyman, SC.

Born in Pickens County, he was the only child of the late Herbert L. Freeman and Gladys Smith Freeman. Mr. Freeman began working for the Bank of Greer as a bookkeeper in 1946. He graduated from LSU in 1962 with a degree in banking. He was promoted to teller operations, proof operations, installment loans, senior loan officer, senior vice president, executive vice president, and retired after 41 years in 1987, as Bank President of Bank of Greer. Through the years, he has served the community as Treasurer of the Greer Chamber of Commerce, Director of SC Independent Bankers Association, Director of Bank of Greer, Chairman of Major Gifts Division at North Greenville College, and a Deacon at Lyman First Baptist Church. Surviving, in addition to his wife, are his children; a daughter, Jeannie Janik and son-in-law John Janik of Simpsonville; a son, Tim Freeman and daughter-in-law Susan Bailey Freeman of Greer.

His grandchildren are Carrie Janik Maxwell of Lyman; Elizabeth Janik Holtzclaw of Mauldin; Will Freeman of Lyman and Lee Freeman, US Navy of New Jersey; two great-grandchildren, Luke Maxwell and Sarah Maxwell of Lyman.

Our love and gratitude go to his caregivers at home, Carrie Evans and Norma

Morrow. We also want to give our heartfelt thanks to Journey Hospice who skillfully and lovingly took care of Mr. Freeman. Our family can never thank all of them enough for their loving care and support to us.

Visitation is at First Baptist Church Lyman on Thursday, March 31, 2011 from 9:30 a.m. until 10:45 a.m., followed by the funeral at 11:00 a.m.

Pallbearers will be Will and Lee Freeman, Clark Maxwell, Gary Holtzclaw, Freddie and Mike Freeman.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Journey Hospice at 1983 South Pine Street, Spartanburg, SC 29303.

Online condolences may be made at www.thewoodmortuary.com

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 31. 9:30 AM - 10:45 AM (ET)

First Baptist Lyman
80 Groce Road
Lyman, SC 29365

Service

MAR 31. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Lyman
80 Groce Road
Lyman, SC 29365

Tribute Wall



“ Praying for your family during this time. God Bless.##imported-begin##Kathy Freeman##imported-end##

March 31, 2011 at 10:37 AM



“ Jeannie and Carrie:
I am so sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you and your families at this time. Know that he will always be looking down and taking care of you from above. Remember the good times.
LOve Shelia##imported-begin##shelia ausburn##imported-end##

March 31, 2011 at 08:35 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and all your family.##imported-begin##Mr & Mrs. Steven A. Rodgers##imported-end##

March 30, 2011 at 07:03 PM



“ Betty, Jeannie and Tim,
My heart is so saddened. Alvin was such a giant of a man to the Adams family and to the Adams children. I so fondly remember the growing up years and fun that our families enjoyed together. His struggle is over...and I believe that great friends like Sonny Kent, Bobby McElrath and yes...Phil Hix, met him at the gates of heaven and they are laughing heartily now that Alvin has arrived. How wonderful to know that we will all be together again one day. God bless you and keep you in his loving care.
Love you all,
Cindy###imported-begin##Cindy Hix Burn###imported-end##

March 30, 2011 at 02:10 PM



“ Our sincere condolences on your loss.
Red and I are available to be of help to you at anytime, please don't hesitate to contact us. As neighbors we are readily available, our hearts are with you at this time and we will keep you in our prayers.###imported-begin##B.H "Red" & Sarabeth Short###imported-end##

March 30, 2011 at 11:31 AM



“ I am saddened to hear that Alvin has passed. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with your family at this time.###imported-begin##Debbie Gordon###imported-end##

March 30, 2011 at 11:20 AM



“ *Dear Freeman Family:*
We are sad to learn of your loss. Alvin was a wonderful man and was so kind and helpful to us as a young couple doing business with the Bank of Greer. A fine gentleman and we will never forget his gentle manner and willingness to help in our financial matters. Let us rejoice for his journey for now he is in the loving arms of our Heavenly Father in a new body with no pain. We pray your many happy memories will keep him close to your heart and that God's love will give you peace during this sad time. With our love and prayers. God bless you all!
Clyde & Linda###imported-begin##Clyde & Linda Coggins Roberts###imported-end##

March 29, 2011 at 03:13 PM



“ *Betty, Jeannie & Johnny, Tim & Susan and families:*
Our hearts are saddened to know that you have lost Alvin. But we rejoice knowing that he is in Heaven...now well and whole again. We remember the many smiles, hugs and laughs we have shared with your dad, and the love that we had for him and continue to have for your entire family.

We are out of town this week and will not be able to see you, but please rest assured of our prayers as you experience the days ahead.

Love,
Eddie and Lori###imported-begin##Rev. and Mrs. Eddie Cooper (Lori)###imported-end##

March 29, 2011 at 12:03 PM