



Hugh Larry Badger Sr.

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Hebrews 11:1 tells us, “Now faith is the substance of things hoped for and the evidence of things not seen” (KJV). Faith is now sight for Hugh L. Badger, Senior as his belief, commitment and faith in Jesus Christ has made him whole when he was called home and into the presence of his Lord and Savior on November 16, 2022. Preceded in death this past February by his high school sweetheart and lovely bride of shared faith for 74 years, we celebrate that our precious parents, Hugh, and Robbie Badger, are together again by God’s grace and mercy. Hugh proposed to and then married Robbie Welborn on August 1, 1947, at their pastor’s house in Taylors, SC. Both graduates of Taylors High School, Hugh often shared the story that when he and Robbie crossed the threshold of marriage and stepped out on their faith, he had all of \$7 to his name and wondering how they were going to make it after paying the pastor \$5!

Hugh and Robbie Badger went on to be the proud parents of three surviving children, Kathy Wright (John) of Greenville, Larry Badger (Kala) of Taylors and Beth Felkel (Rob) of Taylors; four grandchildren, Bradley Wright (Kathy) of Greer, Melanie Horvat (Jason) of Rock Hill, Zachary Badger (Hannah) of Greenville and Luke Badger (Medical School student at The Medical University of South Carolina(MUSC) in Charleston; and six great grandchildren, Callyn and Emery Wright, Kaitlyn and Taylor Horvat and Jackson and Marshall Badger.

Hugh was the son of the late Sidney Humphries and Anzie Bagwell Badger and preceded in death by brothers Sidney and John Badger and sister Anne Robertson. His sole surviving sister is Mary Gay (Jim) of Taylors.

Hugh spent his professional career as a Sales Representative for Prudential Life Insurance Company spanning 30 Years of service. Though a recipient of numerous accolades and internal company awards, Hugh's primary focus was caring for individuals and families with whom he had contact. He was a long-time member of Mountain Creek Baptist Church, Taylors First Baptist Church and most recently Earle Street Baptist Church. Within each church home and family, Hugh could either be found serving on the Deaconate, singing in the choir, teaching a Sunday School class, meeting in prayer groups, or serving wherever most needed.

His favorite past times (other than enjoying great food and home cooked meals) included fishing with a friend or family member, working in his yard and gardening in a yard full of blooming azaleas, flowers, and that amazingly beautiful, thick St Augustine grass "that just can't be grown here in the upstate"! Hugh loved the quietness of his yard and home backed up to Paris Mountain State Park and would often be found sitting on his back porch (especially after mowing) marveling at God's creation, handiwork, and majesty.

Those who met Hugh, even for a brief moment in time, from the contractor working at the house or a new neighbor passing by, would usually hear "do you have a church home?" or "do you know Jesus Christ?". He genuinely cared about people and wanted them to know the love of Christ and that there is eternal hope in Him. As family members, we are thankful for godly, loving parents that raised us in the love and teachings of Christ. Dad loved to sing and especially enjoyed the old hymns. His signature solo was "The Wonder of It All," which was his life's testimony of Jesus' amazing love! With Dad under skilled nursing care for the length of his illness, the family wishes to express our deepest gratitude to the entire staff at National Health Care (NHC) on Boiling Springs Road, Caris Hospice and the Mercy Teams of Taylors First

Baptist Church and Earle Street Baptist Church.

2 Timothy 4:7 - "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith" (KJV). Funeral services to celebrate the life and "home going" for our dad takes place 2PM, Monday, November 28, 2022, at The Wood Mortuary, 300 West Poinsett Street, Greer, SC 29650. Committal will follow 3PM at Woodlawn Memorial Park, 1 Pine Knoll Drive, Greenville, SC 29609. The family will receive friends at The Wood Mortuary from 12 – 1:45 PM, Monday November 28th.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to Earle Street Baptist Church, 225 West Earle Street, Greenville, SC 29609, Caris Hospice, 11 Smith Hinds Road, Greenville, SC 29607 or The Gideons International, c/o Ben Holland, 119 Windstone Drive, Greenville, SC 29615-3852.

Cemetery Details

Woodlawn Memorial Park Mausoleum

1 Pine Knoll Drive
Greenville, SC 29609

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 28. 12:00 PM - 1:45 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Kathy, Larry, and Beth,
I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your dad. Hugh Badger was one of the finest men I have ever known. I will always remember his warm smile, handshake, and kind words whenever I saw him. He could light up a room in his own humble way. Circumstances prevent Lou Ann and I from attending his service, but we will be there in spirit. We are lifting you and your families in prayer.*
Tom Burns

Tom Burns - November 27, 2022 at 08:53 PM

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“ *Papa was a shining light in the world. Everyone who knew him was better for it. He and Mama laid down a blueprint for building a loving family that has blossomed through 4 generations now. He was the best grandfather anyone could hope for. Love you Papa*

Zach Hugh Badger - November 22, 2022 at 08:10 PM