



## J. William Burnett

January 21, 1929 - June 7, 2014

J. William (Bill) Burnett, 85, of 6 Peachtree Lane, passed away June 7, 2014 at Hospice of the Carolina Foothills.

Born in Inman, SC, he was the son of the late Thomas Morgan Burnett and Ruth Barton Burnett. He was retired from AT&T with 32 years of service. He received a Master of Science degree from The University of North Carolina, a BA degree from Furman University, and a PHD candidate at Texas Tech University. He graduated from John Dela Howe High School in McCormick, SC where he was an outstanding baseball and basketball player. He was an outstanding bowler and won two national tournaments and was inducted in the North Carolina Bowling Hall of Fame. He participated in 41 National USBC Tournaments. He served 5 years in the military during the Korean War and was a member of Wake Forest University Baptist Church. Following his illness he planned to join Washington Baptist Church, Greer.

Surviving are his wife, Minnie Jane Bruce Burnett; a son and daughter-in-law, Jeff and Andrea Durham of Greer; a grandson, Russ Durham; a sister, Betty Ruth Burnett Parkstone of Salt Lake City, Utah; and two brothers, Bobby Forrester of Cherokee, NC and A.G. Burnett of Raleigh, NC.

Mr. Burnett was predeceased by one brother, T.O. Burnett.

Visitation will be held 6:00-8:00 p.m. Sunday at The Wood Mortuary.

Private services will be held.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of the Carolina Foothills, 260 Fairwinds Road, Landrum, SC 29356.

Online condolences may be made at [www.thewoodmortuary.com](http://www.thewoodmortuary.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 8. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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