



Marion Ralph Ward

May 18, 1938 - April 20, 2025

Marion Ralph Ward, 86, passed away April 20, 2025.

A native of Pelham, son of the late Ralph Nolan and Lottie Elizabeth Pittman Ward, he was a U.S. Army Veteran, a retired employe of WR Grace, a longtime member of Pelham First Baptist Church, and one of the founding members of Pelham Batesville Fire Department.

Surviving are two daughters, Paula Sherbert of Greer and Shelia Heckethorn (Steve) of Greer; three grandchildren, Brandon Edge (Christin), Lauren McCarter (Kevin Duckworth), and Trent Howard; and two great-grandsons, Eli Edge and Owen Duckworth.

He was predeceased by his wife of 62 years, Norma Anders Ward.

A cryptside service will be held 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, April 23, 2025, at Hillcrest Memory Gardens Mausoleum conducted by Rev. Patrick Clark.

Honorary escort will be Pelham Batesville Fire Department.

The family is at the home of Brandon Edge, 229 Penick Drive, Duncan, South Carolina 29334.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Pelham First Baptist Church Ministry Meal Mission, 8595 Pelham Road, Suite 400, Box 311, Greenville, South Carolina 29615.

Online condolences may be made at www.thewoodmortuary.com.

Cemetery Details

Hillcrest Memory Gardens Mausoleum

14050 East Wade Hampton Boulevard
Greer, SC 29651

Previous Events

Cryptside Service

APR 23. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

TW

“ I’m so sorry to hear about the passing of Mr. Ward. He was always such a very nice gentleman, a wonderful husband and father to his daughters, Paula and Shelia. May God comfort your hearts during these coming weeks and afterwards. We will keep all the family in our thoughts and prayers.

Timothy Williams - April 23, 2025 at 12:51 AM

BS

“ I am sorry to hear of Marion's passing. I have a lot of great memories of him at Pelham.

Billy Smith - April 22, 2025 at 11:13 AM

BC

“ Becky Clayton lit a candle in memory of Marion Ward



Becky Clayton - April 21, 2025 at 10:55 PM

KG

“ Kimberly George lit a candle in memory of Marion Ward



Kimberly George - April 21, 2025 at 08:46 PM

NC

“ *Rest in peace my dear friend you will be truly missed, love you.*



Norma jean cox - April 21, 2025 at 08:13 PM

DH

God bless your family.

Doris Hughes - April 22, 2025 at 11:54 AM

AS

So sorry. We loved Marion. I will always remember the bear country stories and chicken pot pies, he so loved. He was a great husband to Norma and father to his girls. Terrific grandpa. God bless your family. The David Scarborough Family

Ann Scarborough - April 23, 2025 at 01:52 PM

RB

“ *I remember Marion well. I was his helper on line 10 at Cryovac for a few years. We had some rough days trying to get that machine to run but he never lost his cool. We had many great conversations. I remember selling him a shotgun and wishing many times I had it back. My heart goes out to the family.*

Richard Bruce - April 21, 2025 at 04:21 PM