



Preston E. Bell Jr.

July 1, 1939 - August 12, 2015

Preston Earl Bell, Jr., 76, of 14 Wood Creek Drive, died August 12, 2015 at Greer Memorial Hospital.

A native of Spartanburg County, son of the late Preston Earl Bell, Sr. and Louise Smith Bell, he was a retired U.S. Navy Veteran, retired as Business Services Administrator of SunTrust Bank and a member of Taylors First Baptist Church.

Surviving are his wife, Peggy D. Bell of the home; a son, Stephen Craig Bell of Taylors; a daughter and son-in-law, Cynthia and Todd Wade of Greer; a brother and sister-in-law, Michael and Judy Bell of Inman; two sisters and brothers-in-law, Margaret and Preston White of Green Creek, North Carolina and Pamela and Paul Seay of Inman; and two grandchildren, Brandon Todd Wade and Parker Allen Wade (Sarah).

A memorial service will be held 1:00 p.m. Saturday at Taylors First Baptist Church. Burial will be private.

Visitation will be held after the service in the church Welcome Center.

The family is at the home.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Taylors First Baptist Church, 200 W. Main St., Taylors, SC 29687 or Taylors Free Medical Clinic, 400 W. Main St., Taylors, SC 29687.

Online condolences may be made at www.thewoodmortuary.com

Previous Events

Memorial Service

AUG **15**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Taylors First Baptist Church
200 West Main Street
Taylors, SC 29687

Tribute Wall

ES

“ *Peggy & Family, So sorry for your loss. Preston will be greatly missed. You are all in our thoughts and prayers. Love, Edward Storer & Associates*

Edward Storer - August 17, 2015 at 11:34 AM

JG

“ *Peggy, Steve and Cindy....Our hearts are very heavy with the passing of Preston. He will be in our hearts for Always and Forever.....He was the best Brother-In-Law anyone could have. We are very sad that we could not tell Preston that we both Loved Him one last time....He was a big part of our lives and we will always have and hold dear the beautiful memories of such an amazing gentle and humble man..With deepest sympathy to all of you...Love, Jim and Fran*



James W. and Fran N. Gregory - August 14, 2015 at 11:27 PM

MT

“ *I am saddened by the loss of such a fine and gentle man. Preston worked with me at American Federal Bank/CCB for many years. He was a man of honor, a man who was both capable and reliable. He worked hard in helping American Federal be all that it could be, especially during the difficult times of the late 80's and early 90's. I regarded him as a friend as well as a trusted and valued fellow manager at the bank.*

I will not be able to attend his memorial service because I am leaving tomorrow morning for Bogota, Colombia.

Mike Trimble, retired COO and CFO of American Federal

Mike Trimble - August 14, 2015 at 09:22 AM

SE

“ I am so sorry to hear of Preston's passing. Pam his sister and I have been friends since KG at Mrs. Settles house. I spent many nights at the Bell house growing up having PJ parties. Great memories! Will continue to be in my thoughts and prayers.

SHerry SKinner Emory - August 13, 2015 at 10:53 PM

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“ To Peggy and Family
As you can see, I share in your loss.
We had great times together.
I will be praying for your peace and comfort in the weeks and months to come.
The lost will be painful, but the memories oh so wonderful!

Ray Rogers - August 13, 2015 at 09:20 PM

RR

“ *Been apart for many years but never out of my mind is my friend Preston.*

Once, an inman neighbor, a fellow jaycee, a council member with me, and many sing-a- longs with me playing the guitar and Preston, Don Smith, Ronnie Crenshaw sing like the sons of the pioneers. Tumbling, tumble weeds. Now we could really make a mess out of that.

Also, at a weak moment in our lives jointly owning a club in Spartanburg. Thank you God for forgiveness.

The playground in Inman that 1000s of children became a reality because of a vision that we as Jaycees had and put forth many hot Saturdays to make it happen.

So, thanks for the memories my friend.

Rest now in the presence of a loving, eternal God who because of His Son and the faith we shared in Him will one day reunite us again.

Maybe he will let us borrow a Gibson and have another sing along. It will be Amazing Grace and you will be amazed just how good we will sound.

Ray Rogers

Ray Rogers - August 13, 2015 at 09:15 PM