



Truman Edwin (ED) Watson

March 13, 1931 - August 3, 2006

Name for heading: Ed Watson

Dateline: Frostproof, FL

Truman Edwin (Ed) Watson, 75, of 231 Allies Pass, died August 3, 2006 in Hartland Medical Center.

A native of Anderson County, he was a son of the late Truman B. and Gladys Roach Watson, a member of Hampton Heights Baptist Church, Greenville, SC, and retired Financial Management, Milliken , 26 years, Group Comtroller. He was a U.S. Air Force Veteran of the Korean Conflict.

Mr. Watson was Past President of Wade Hampton Jaycees, Past Treasurer of National Association of Accountants, Western Carolina Association, Past Director of National Rifle Association for 10 years, Hall of Fame member of S.C. and also Southeast Region NBRSA and Mainly N.R.A. Brenchrest Hall of Fame since 1986, Founders Club member Whittington Center, and the N.R.A. Raton, N.M.

Surviving are his wife, Avanelle Howard Watson of the home: one daughter, Debra Whitted and her husband Jackie, of Greenville; two brothers, Tom C. Watson of Greenville and Pete Watson of Fort Mill; two grandchildren, Corey Whitted and Broni and John Aiken; one great grandchild, Camden J. Watson Aiken.

Funeral services will be held 2 p.m. Tuesday at The Wood Mortuary conducted by the Rev. Walter E. Wood. Burial will be in Woodlawn Memorial Park.

Pallbearers will be Ed Pennebaker, Heyward Propes, Tim White, Joshua White, Corey Whitted and John Aiken. Honorary escort will be members of the Greer High School Class of 1949.

The family is at the home of the daughter, Debra Whitted, 210 Manly Dr., Greenville, 29609.

Visitation will be from 12:45 P.M. until 1:45 P.M. Tuesday at the mortuary.

Memorials may be made to Hope Lodge, 12810 Magnolia Drive, Tampa, FL 33612.

Online condolences may be made at www.thewoodmortuary.com

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Tribute Wall



“ *Pete and Billie Ann, our sympathy to you during this time. We will be thinking about you and your family.##imported-begin##Judy and Ed Walker##imported-end##*

May 13, 2007 at 11:05 PM



“ *Nell and family just want you to know how sorry we are to hear of Ed's passing and that you have our Deepest Sympathy. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. May God give you comfort and strengthen you in the days ahead.
Ed has touched so many lives and will be missed by everyone.##imported-begin##Smiley and Louella Hensley##imported-end##*

August 10, 2006 at 09:18 AM



“ *We met at Fairchance many years ago and will always remember you Ed and Nell for your kindness and generosity while we were in the States. Our deepest sympathy to you Nell and Family. You are in our thoughts and prayers.
Regards Paul.##imported-begin##Paul Sullivan Australia##imported-end##*

August 09, 2006 at 05:17 PM



“ Avanelle, I'm very sorry to heard about Ed loss. last june when I went back from SS I thought how good would be to meet again you and Ed together at the next SS.....
I'm thinking about you.
Alberto###imported-begin###Alberto Lenzi###imported-end##

August 09, 2006 at 04:51 PM



“ Nelle,
Our thoughts and prayers are with you as you go through this difficult time.
We will miss Ed. He was such a great person and so helpful to Gene in the benchrest when Gene started.
Take care and know we are with you in spirit.
Lora and Gene Blocker###imported-begin###Lora and Gene Blocker###imported-end##

August 09, 2006 at 02:20 PM



“ Avanelle & Family,
Our heartfelt condolences to you and your family on the passing of Ed. He was a wonderful man and Tim and I always looked forward seeing the both of you at the shoots.
May God Bless You and your family to help you through this time of loss.###imported-begin###Tim North & Aloma Weaver - Broughton Rifle Barrels###imported-end##

August 09, 2006 at 11:03 AM



“ *I was very sorry to hear about the passing of Mr.Ed Watson.
I can not forget his kindness for me at Cactus and Super Shoot.
My condolences. He was a great man.*

A Japanese Benchrest Shooter

Yoshiaki Koto##imported-begin##Yoshiaki Koto##imported-end##

August 09, 2006 at 01:50 AM



“ *We are deeply saddened by the loss of a dear friend of so many
years a friend who was a true Southern Gentleman and a great
competitor in our sport.
Ed and Avaneil were such a constant presence at nearly every
competiton. and we both delighted in see them.
I, Turk, am so glad that Ed was able, despite his illness, to come to
one last spring of match. I had chance to tell Ed how much I have
enjoyed him over the years. This was, I think, the greatest gift
possible Ed gave us - the chance to say good bye. Farewell, you
figher! Your battle was a good one, one you could not have fought
without your dear wife's support. Our condolence all with you,
Avaneil.*

*Jeanne & Turk Takano##imported-begin##Jeanne & Turk
Takano##imported-end##*

August 08, 2006 at 11:17 PM



“ Nelle, we are praying that you and your family will be comforted by "Our Creator" during this time. We know you will certainly miss him and we will, too. The wonderful thing is that we all know he's now in the very presence of God. As many others have already written, Ed was a gentleman and a true competitor.

We could always see the love he had for you. It was quite evident to all who saw you two together or heard him speak of you. Many people in this world do not ever get the chance to know that kind of love. You were blessed and you still are...he is forever yours. You will see him again & he'll be laughing and will be in perfect health with no more pain, disappointments, or problems of any kind.

Remember, that we are praying for you and your family and God will answer our prayers. He will pour out His wonderful comfort upon you and will bring new-found joy into your life.

In Our Thoughts & Prayers,
Pat & Burton Ferrell###imported-begin###Pat and Burton
Ferrell###imported-end###

August 08, 2006 at 08:40 PM



“ Nelle, I would like to offer my sympathy and condolences in the passing of Ed. In the past I knew him as Dick. I was more familiar with Garland, Pete, than Ed and Tommy. Many years ago when they lived on Victor Mill, They lived next door to my Grandmother . I also knew Ed from the Jaycees. Again, you have Prayers and condolences.

Doug Wilson
Mauldin, SC formerly of Greer, SC###imported-begin###Doug
Wilson###imported-end###

August 08, 2006 at 06:37 PM



“ Nelle and family,
We were saddened to hear about Ed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. You both were an inspiration to the benchrest community.##imported-begin##Charles & Cheryl Hood##imported-end##

August 08, 2006 at 02:01 PM



“ I will miss him and pray for him and his family.

Tom R##imported-begin##Tom Rosenberger##imported-end##

August 08, 2006 at 11:58 AM



“ It was always a pleasure to talk with Ed at the shots, I'll miss his presence for sure.##imported-begin##Dave Short##imported-end##

August 08, 2006 at 10:00 AM



“ Ed will be missed. May he rest in peace.##imported-begin##Jim Pickerill##imported-end##

August 08, 2006 at 08:15 AM



“ Nell, you have our deepest sympathy, Larry and Ruth Kuse##imported-begin##Larry Kuse##imported-end##

August 07, 2006 at 11:42 PM



“ God rest your soul Ed. Thanks for being a friend mine and countless others and for all you did for benchrest. God bless the family! Greg McDavid
Kingsport, Tennessee##imported-begin##Greg McDavid##imported-end##

August 07, 2006 at 11:21 PM



“ We are going to miss you, Ed. You were a great person and a ferocious competitor.

My sympathy to the Watson family. Ed won't be forgotten.

Paul Landell##imported-begin##Paul Landell##imported-end##

August 07, 2006 at 10:58 PM



“ ThankYou for being a friend and Advisor for Benchrest Shooting. May your family know that you were appreciated by all you knew and helped but they knew you best everyday.##imported-begin##JAMES B. PHILLIPS##imported-end##

August 07, 2006 at 10:46 PM



“ Nelle,
We grieve with you and send our love.##imported-begin##Mickey and Dorothy Coleman##imported-end##

August 07, 2006 at 09:36 PM



“ Nell you and Ed have always been wonderful to me. He will truly be missed. You and your family will be in my prayers.

Charles###imported-begin##Charles Huckeba###imported-end##

August 07, 2006 at 09:32 PM



“ We dealt with Ed in the 80's and finally had the opportunity to meet you both in Phoenix in 1997 and again at the 1999 Super Shoot. A truly fine fellow to shoot beside and compete with. No doubt a gentleman to the end. Our heartfelt sympathy to Nelle and family from all here in Australia.

###imported-begin##Kath & Tony Allinson###imported-end##

August 07, 2006 at 09:18 PM



“ Thinking of you.

###imported-begin##Dennis Thornbury###imported-end##

August 07, 2006 at 09:05 PM



“ Please accept my sincerest condolences on the passing of Ed. The only place I knew or saw him was at Bench Rest matches. He took much of my money as it seemed he always had something I could not live without. He was always helpful and seemed to have an abundance of patience with people like me. I, as many others, will surely miss him.

Allen J. Elliott###imported-begin##Allen J. Elliott###imported-end##

August 07, 2006 at 07:12 PM



“ Nell, I am sorry to hear of your loss. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.
Ed was a great friend and a tough competitor, I will miss him very much.##imported-begin##Bill & Sharon Mellor##imported-end##

August 07, 2006 at 02:20 PM



“ A gentleman man and a credit to our sport. You will be missed Rest in Peace##imported-begin##Walt Berger##imported-end##

August 07, 2006 at 02:05 PM



“ It's comforting at this time of loss for us all to know that Ed is in heaven, championing for all of us, and relieved of his pain. My love and condolences to Nell and family; hope to see you soon.
- Jim##imported-begin##Jim Andress##imported-end##

August 07, 2006 at 01:42 PM



“ Nelle & Family -

Hal & I would like to express our heartfelt sympathy to you and your family. It was a pleasure getting to know you and Ed and we looked forward to seeing you at the BR matches. Ed was truly an inspiration to all of us and he will be missed.##imported-begin##Hal Toland & Linda Pangus##imported-end##

August 07, 2006 at 01:23 PM



“ Dearest Nell,
Sending you our biggest hugs across
the miles. Be brave, be strong and know
that you have a support group spreading
out across the entire country.
Don't remember that he died-----Remember that he
LIVED!##imported-begin##Randy and Nancy Pumphrey##imported-
end##

August 07, 2006 at 11:54 AM



“ NELL:
YOU AND YOUR FAMILY HAVE SUFFERED A GREAT LOSS. ED
WILL BE GREATLY MISSED IN THE BENCHREST WORLD. I AM
PRAYING FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.
SCOTT##imported-begin##SCOTT HUNTER##imported-end##

August 07, 2006 at 11:49 AM



“ Nelle,

We share your sorrow – please know we are thinking of you.

Ron & Sandy##imported-begin##Ron & Sandy Dill##imported-
end##

August 07, 2006 at 07:24 AM



“ We are saddened to hear of the passing of Ed. He has touched many Benchrest Shooters from around the world. Not the least of which here on the other side in Australia. It has been a pleasure to know the man and our thoughts are with you Nell and your family.##imported-begin##Stuart & Annie Elliott (Australia)##imported-end##

August 07, 2006 at 07:16 AM



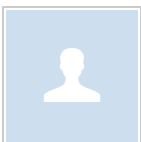
“ May God be with you Avanel.
With Love,
Jerry Sharrett##imported-begin##Jerry Sharrett##imported-end##

August 07, 2006 at 06:33 AM



“ Goodby my friend.
Nell, We will contact you soon.##imported-begin##Allen & Blinky Arnette##imported-end##

August 07, 2006 at 05:23 AM



“ Nelle and family, my condolences in your great loss of Ed this past week. It was my pleasure to have known Ed and I enjoyed visiting and shooting with him through the past number of years. When he was undergoing cancer treatment, I had hoped that he would be able to recover and would be able to keep on shooting at the level that he so much enjoyed. I was glad that I was able to sit with Ed in his tent at this years Super Shoot and visit with him for awhile. It was a pleasure knowing Ed and he will be greatly missed by all his friends at least until we see him again in heaven.##imported-begin##Mike Bryant##imported-end##

August 07, 2006 at 12:13 AM



“ JoAnn and I are saddened by the loss of our good friend and mentor. Ed was truly a prince of a man, always a gentleman, ever the ambassador of our sport. Your absence from our presence saddens us; we will cherish the memories. Vios Condios.##imported-begin##Jim and JoAnn Erickson##imported-end##

August 06, 2006 at 10:59 PM



“ Ed,

Rest in peace my friend.##imported-begin##RL Weikart##imported-end##

August 06, 2006 at 10:48 PM



“ Rest with God ED. our prayers are with Nelle and family.##imported-begin##JD Denoff##imported-end##

August 06, 2006 at 10:29 PM



“ Nell and Family,
You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. I tried to call Ed just last week and had to leave a message. I regret that we did not get to speak. So many memories and so many great shoots. Some of the best times were the meals we enjoyed after the shoots. Ed will be missed.##imported-begin##K. L. and Connie Miller##imported-end##

August 06, 2006 at 09:32 PM



“ I'm very very sorry to hear about ED. He will be missed a lot.
FLOYD###imported-begin###FLOYD CLINE###imported-end##

August 06, 2006 at 09:06 PM



“ We will always cherish the good times with Ed and Nelle over the last 20 years of friendship. Our prayers will go out for the entire family during this time of sadness.###imported-begin###Clarence & Linda Hammonds###imported-end##

August 06, 2006 at 08:37 PM



“ Nel , We regret that we can't be there in your time of sorrow. But we know that now Ed is truly in the Big Hall of Fame of our Lord. Deepest and warm regards to your family.###imported-begin###Gary & Jean Price###imported-end##

August 06, 2006 at 08:05 PM



“ I sure will miss Ed. He was a great guy to shoot with and helped me along. I will pray for your family in your los. Regards Butch Lambert###imported-begin###Butch Lambert###imported-end##

August 06, 2006 at 07:49 PM



“ We will really miss Ed,we will be thinking about you Nell and in our prayers.

I will never forget Ed,he got me started in Benchrest shooting and had many happy memories i will always keep with me.

May god Bless You and keep you.

Roger &Shirley.##imported-begin##Roger &Shirley

Haney##imported-end##

August 06, 2006 at 09:30 AM



“ Avanelle, you have my Sympathy. I will be thinking about you.##imported-begin##Yvonne Moore##imported-end##

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