



LaVaughn "Bull" Bowers

May 7, 1930 - January 21, 2019

Mr. LaVaughn Lewis "Bull" Bowers, age 88, passed away January 21, 2019. Mr. Bowers was born in Dekalb County on May 7, 1930 to the late Arzena and John Bowers.

After graduating from Dekalb County high School in 1949, Mr. Bowers enlisted in the United States Navy where he served on two aircraft carriers during the Korean War. He then returned to Fort Payne and soon opened Bowers Barber Shop located on First Street. In 1977, he went to work for Merico Bakery where he served for 17 years primarily as a lead man of a crew until he retired. He was a longtime member of First Baptist Church of Fort Payne.

Mr. Bowers loved supporting Fort Payne athletic events. From coaching little league baseball to helping to build baseball fields, to attending many games in every sport, he loved helping kids and he loved the Wildcats!

Mr. and Mrs. Bowers moved from Fort Payne to Regency Assisted Living Facility in Tuscaloosa, Alabama in 2013 to be closer to family. After the passing of his wife, Mr. Bowers moved to Tut Fann VA Home in Huntsville, where he was living when he passed away.

Funeral services will be 1:00pm Saturday, January 26th, at the Wilson Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. Pat McFadden and Rev. Keith Pugh officiating. Burial will follow in the Glenwood Cemetery with military honors. The family will receive friends on Saturday from 11:00am until the 1:00pm hour of service at the funeral home.

Mr. Bowers is survived by his children, Donna Lee and Lanny Holbrook, Kent and Victoria Bowers, and Glenn and Teresa Bowers; grandchildren, Kristy and David Filmore, Misty and Eddie Mosley, Paul and Eunice Bowers, Julia and Samuel Presson, Hannah Bowers, and Brett Bowers; nine great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren that he loved and was very proud of. He was preceded in death by his wife, Dora Lee "Ned" Bowers and parents, John Lewis and Arzena Haas Bowers.

Cemetery

Glenwood Cemetery
1002 Grand Avenue SW
Fort Payne, AL, 35967

Events

JAN 26 Visitation 11:00AM - 01:00PM

Wilson Funeral Home and Crematory
3801 Gault Avenue North, Fort Payne, AL, US, 35967

JAN 26 Funeral Service 01:00PM

Wilson Funeral Home Chapel
3801 Gault Avenue North, Fort Payne, AL, US, 35967

Comments



“ We were neighbors for so many wonderful years!! As a teen, I got to go to many ballgames with Bull! I could always count on a ride with him and a carfull!! They were always there for the neighbors!! I have missed them so much, but now they are together again!! I love y'all , Donna, Kent and Glenn!!

Brenda Abbott - January 25 at 11:34 AM



“ So many memories of Granddaddy and although I'm not able to attend his service know that the family is forever in my thoughts and prayers. He accepted me right away many years ago and I'm honored to have given him two wonderful grandchildren. There isn't a day that goes by that I don't think about Granddaddy and Mema. I see so much of them in my own children and grandchildren. Love and prayers always, Margaret

Margaret Cody - January 24 at 07:44 AM



“ I attended many ball games through the years and numerous church services with the Bowers family. LaVaughn was a great supporter of the youth of our community and was a good role model for them. He was always thrilled to see you and hear about what was going on in your life. Love and prayers for the family at this time.

Diane Akins - January 23 at 12:21 PM



“ My memories of Mr. Bowers were of him coaching summer league baseball. He made the game fun and you knew that he cared. He would always make sure that you had a ride to and from practice. He had a station wagon that was always loaded down with kids. My heart goes out to Donna, Kent, I and Glenn. So sorry for your loss.

Ronnie Crabtree - January 23 at 10:06 AM



“ I was very sorry to hear about Mr. Bowers. I remember how much he loved to talk about athletics, especially the Wildcats, when I was growing up. He really knew how to cut a flat top, even though there was not much demand for those after the Beatles. He was also very active in our church. After moving away to school and later to coach in Albertville with Coach Wells, I lost touch. I just knew that he had closed the barber shop. I know that his family has many precious memories of this great man.

Butch Ferguson

Butch Ferguson - January 23 at 12:37 AM



“ There has never been greater supports of Ft Payne athletics than the Bowers. We could not have practice or go to a game before the Bowers bus arrives with a bus load of athletes. They went all over town picking up and delivering players for years. They will always be a fixture in Ft Payne athletics and the hearts of hundreds of formers players.
Coach Tommy Hicks

Tommy Hicks - January 22 at 06:30 PM