



Matthew "Matt" John Reynolds

April 14, 1937 - March 7, 2024

North Augusta, SC- Matthew J. "Matt" Reynolds, 86, entered into rest March 7, 2024, at his residence peacefully. Memorial Services will be conducted at a later date. A native of New Haven, Connecticut, Mr. Reynolds is survived by his wife of 54 years, Patsy R. Reynolds; daughters, Lynn Commins, Terri Gentry, Kelly Richards, and Robin Vaughn; a stepdaughter, Vicki Asbury; a stepson, Barry Ferguson; and seventeen grandchildren. Mr. Reynolds was preceded in death by his parents, Matthew and Jane Reynolds and a son, Johnny Reynolds. He was a member of St. Edwards Catholic Church in North Augusta, SC, and a former member of Our Lady of Peace Church.

Mr. Reynolds was a former member of American Legion Post 205 and Voiture 719, 40, and 8. He was a U.S. Army Veteran having served honorably. He was also a former member of Green Meadows Country Club.

In the mid-1960s Mr. Reynolds was a life insurance agent representing Fidelity Union Life of Dallas, Texas and became a qualifying member of the Million Dollar Round Table in the industry.

From 1970 to 1993 Mr. Reynolds was employed by the Augusta Chronicle holding the positions of National Advertising Manager and Classified Advertising Manager. After a brief retirement he became the sales representative for Goodwill Publications of Gastonia, North Carolina until

returning to the newspaper industry in 1997 as the General Manager of the Columbia County News Times until it was purchased by Morris Communications in 1998. Mr. Reynolds also served as publisher of the McDuffie Progress from 2002-2004.

He was a past president of the Southern Classified Advertising Manager's Association and Beechwood Civitan Club of Athens, Georgia. He was active in youth baseball programs in North Augusta and also was a former member of the South Carolina Umpires Association, umpiring for both high school and college baseball.

Tribute Wall

MP

“ *What a guy Matt was. We worked together at The Chronicle for many years. You always knew where you were in dealing with Matt, as he was one of the most straight-forward people I have ever known. We will all miss his personality and his story that he was ready to tell. My thoughts and prayers are with the Reynolds family.*
Martin Pippin

Martin Pippin - March 18, 2024 at 04:19 PM

LA

“ *Matt was a dear friend and mentor. I was hired by him twice; once at the Augusta Chronicle and again at The Columbia News Times as Classified Manager. I respected him and counted him as a close friend and kept contact with him through the years. He will be missed by his close friends and community. He was a role model in life and business.*

Rev. Lester Allan Amelung

Lester Amelung - March 11, 2024 at 11:13 AM

BT

“ *Sending my deepest sympathy and condolences to Patsy and family in the loss of Matt. We always enjoyed our visits together and I'll miss him very much-what a "presence" he was. I was blessed to know him and have him as a friend, and Patsy's loving care of him was phenomenal. Blessings to you all.* *Dr. Billy Thurmond*

Billy Thurmond - March 10, 2024 at 07:18 AM

JH

“ I am thankful for Mr. Reynolds’ service to our nation in the United States Army. It is men like Mr. Reynolds that selflessly served to safeguard our freedom and liberty. I offer my sincere condolences to his family, may he rest in peace.

Jeff Hoefs - March 09, 2024 at 01:21 PM

SP

“ Patsy, I am so very sorry for the loss of your husband. I will see you soon.

Sheran Proctor - March 09, 2024 at 10:26 AM

LJ

“ One of Matt’s first jobs was working for my father in the car business 60+ years ago. We reminisced quite often about those days. Matt found out my kids were big wrestling fans and got them free tickets to one of the big events. Unbeknown to me, the next time wrestling came to town the kids called Matt and asked for tickets again. Matt came through like a champ. Matt and Patsy always sent the first Christmas card every year. I know Matt has already found my Dad in heaven and they are working a deal with somebody.

Lark Jones - March 08, 2024 at 08:31 PM

LE

“ Robin and family, I was saddened to hear of your father's passing. I had the pleasure of meeting him in the early 1990s at an Augusta Chronicle Christmas party and he was a very impressive man that was well known in the newspaper industry. May God comfort you and your family during this difficult time - Leslie Burdette

Leslie - March 08, 2024 at 12:53 PM