



## Roy H. Walsh Jr.

September 17, 1948 - December 10, 2020

Martinez, GA—Memorial Services for Mr. Roy H. Walsh, Jr., 72, who entered into rest December 10, 2020 will be conducted Thursday, December 17, 2020 at 2 o'clock in Ft. Jackson National Cemetery with Full Military Honors. The service will be live streamed at the Posey Funeral Directors Facebook page. For those attending masks are required and social distancing will be practiced.

Mr. Walsh was a native of Lenoir, North Carolina and in true military fashion lived across the world. He made Martinez, Georgia his home for the past 30 years. Mr. Walsh retired as a criminal investigator with 20 years of service in the US Army and was a veteran of the Vietnam War. Following his military career he taught school for 15 years at East Augusta Middle School. Mr. Walsh was a devoted husband, father and grandfather who most enjoyed spending time with his family. Additionally, he enjoyed painting and landscaping and was frequently known to have the best yard in the neighborhood. Mr. Walsh worked with the Augusta Historical Society to capture the stories of WWII veterans on film and that footage is now kept in the Library of Congress. He was preceded in death by his father, Roy H. Walsh, Sr. and brother, Jerry Walsh.

Survivors include his wife of 53 years, Joyce Marie Walsh; a daughter, Marcia (Dr. Lloyd) Carroll, Morgantown, WV; a son, Ryan Walsh, Evans, GA; his

mother, Violet Walsh, Hickory, NC; two sisters, Donna Thornburg and Cathy (James) Grant, both of Hickory, NC; two brothers, Charles (Merry Jane) Walsh, Casper, WY and Timothy Walsh, Hickory, NC; five grandchildren, Kelsey Walsh, Callie Carroll, Hunter Walsh, Jordan (Adrienne) Bratcher and Jackson Carroll; a former daughter-in-law, Amy Walsh; his loving puppy, Willie Nelson.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the American Red Cross at [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org)

Posey Funeral Directors of North Augusta is in charge of arrangements (803.278.1181). Visit the registry online at [www.POSEYCARES.com](http://www.POSEYCARES.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Fort Jackson National Cemetery

4170 Percival Road  
Columbia, SC

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

DEC 17. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Columbia, SC

# Tribute Wall



“ *Posey Funeral Directors created a Tribute Video in memory of Roy H. Walsh Jr.* ”



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**Posey Funeral Directors** - December 12, 2020 at 02:06 PM



“ *Roy H. Walsh Jr.* ”

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October 06, 2023 at 06:29 AM



“ *Roy H. Walsh Jr.* ”

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September 24, 2022 at 12:12 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Walsh Service* ”



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**Posey Funeral Directors** - December 19, 2020 at 12:08 PM

JE

“ On one of many game nights we used to have at the Walsh’s house I remember a question was “ I have an unusual affinity for...” and Roy’s answer was hobbits...I always wondered why. I recently watched the lord of the rings and after Roy’s passing I reflected on why he may have been so taken with the shirefolk. The movie describes hobbits as wonderful creatures that you can know all about them after 20 minutes and after a hundred years they can still surprise you. Maybe Roy saw a parallel to himself that he was a “what you see is what you get” but even after many years you could learn new and exciting things about him. I thought maybe he appreciated how someone so small in stature could make such a big impact on the world around them. Roy was not small by any means but he had this understated intensity that made you pay attention to him when he spoke and to take it seriously when the situation called for it. I respected him, also he probably scared me a little as well and I always considered it high praise to make Roy laugh. He always had an easy demeanor but I always found it an accomplishment to make this man so wise in the ways of the world laugh at my stupid antics. Finally, maybe it was shouldering heavy burdens with quiet grace. He was the patriarch of a wonderful family. Devoted Husband to a wonderful wife, father to two amazing kids and kickass grandfather to 5. All of that family is not without strife, his son Ryan and I probably attributed to some of that...but Roy was always there to offer guidance...the hard way or tender way, again depending on what the situation called for.

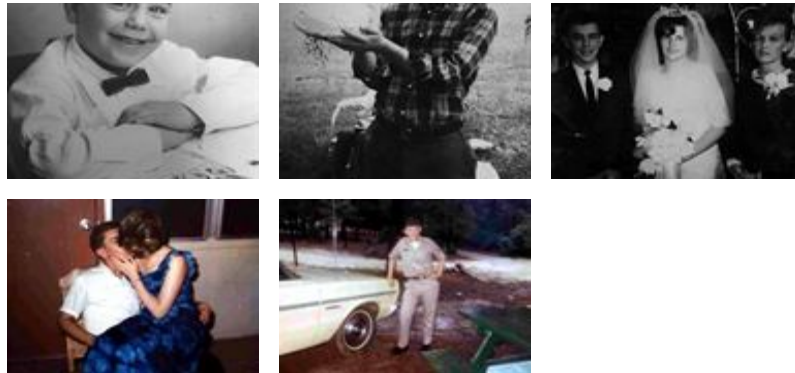
Although time and distance has separated us I’ve always felt privileged to get to be a small part of this family. I was honored to see Roy and Joyce at my virtual wedding this past June. I mourn his loss, I offer my prayers for healing to his family, and I celebrate his wonderful, giving, extraordinary life that made a difference in my own even if he didn’t know it. Thanks Roy-rest easy.

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Jerry - December 16, 2020 at 11:03 AM



“ 99 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Posey Funeral Directors** - December 12, 2020 at 01:44 PM

JR

“ I knew Roy and his wife, Joyce, in high school. I remember that Roy was a very considerate, kind, mannerly person. As I recall, Roy was well liked by all the students.  
I extend my condolences to Joyce, the children and grandchildren.  
You're all in my thoughts.

*Jeanie Philyaw Rowan*

**Jeanie P. Rowan** - December 11, 2020 at 03:49 PM

MS

“ I want to share my condolences to the Auton and Walsh families, during your time of sorrow. Roy and Joyce were my classmates.  
My the Lord Bless and Keep you.  
*Margaret E. (Ferguson) Setzer-Maxwell*



**Margaret (Ferguson) Setzer-Maxwell** - December 11, 2020 at 03:22 PM

GL

“ So many years, so many memories; sharing our love of gardening and flowers, couples' day trips and family gatherings. Making wedding flowers, attending our children's weddings, taking our grands letter boxing, exploring Augusta. Through the years of our friendship you shared yourself, always with humor and generosity. Underlying all things was your love of Joyce, family and friends. You will be deeply missed Roy. Peace be with you. Love Linda

Gary Lawrence - December 11, 2020 at 10:26 AM

GL

“ We met in 1987 when we were assigned together at the Fort Gordon CID office. Roy was the special agent in charge and I was the office Polygraph examiner. We soon became good friends as well as our wives, Joyce and Linda. We both retired in Augusta, Ga. and over the next 30 years continued our friendship, visiting often, sharing stories about our children and grandchildren. In the last two years we shared our experiences with cancer. Sadly, Roy lost his battle. He will be deeply missed by me and Linda and even more so by his family. We will continue our friendship and love with Joyce and family and offer whatever support we can. Rest in peace my good friend. Gary

Gary Lawrence - December 11, 2020 at 10:19 AM



“ Roy was a very sweet, kind, intelligent, interesting and charismatic man. I am so sorry for your loss, Violet, Joyce, Ryan, Charles, Donna, Cathy, Timmy and families.. What a tragic loss ... but I bet Dad already had his golf clubs waiting and they're playing their own Heavenly game ... and having a ball. We love you all so much and send many prayers for comfort and peace. Denise and David Kerley



Denise Kerley - December 11, 2020 at 08:30 AM



*Oops ... sorry ... forgot to add Marcia !*

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**Denise Kerley** - December 11, 2020 at 08:37 AM

DA

“ *I am Joyce’s younger brother and some of my favorite memories are staying with Roy and Joyce. Roy and I would stay up late talking. Sometimes serious stuff, sometimes silly stuff. In my eyes he was so cool, funny, and a great man. Love you Roy. Godspeed.*

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**Doug Auton** - December 10, 2020 at 08:16 PM



*So very sorry for your loss.*

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**Denise Kerley** - December 11, 2020 at 08:31 AM