



Wade T. (Sonny) Gordy Sr.

February 6, 1930 - January 8, 2025

Wade T. (Sonny) Gordy Sr. entered his eternal home in the early hours of January 8, 2025 where he was reunited with his wife of 58 years, Barbara Gordy. Living to be nearly 95 years old, he was proof of God's love and redemption. His faith in God carried him through the trials of life and assured his place in heaven.

He grew up in Midville, Ga. and served in the navy from 1948-1954 during the Korean War. Before re-enlisting, he brought a friend to apply for a job at the Savannah River Site, and he was offered one as well. He worked there for 38 years until he retired in 1992 as the E&I Maintenance Manager in Reactor Areas. He has been an active member of Bethel Methodist Church for over 60 years.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Barbara Gordy; his parents Alton Lee and Dora Alice Gordy, and his sister Betty Williams. He took pride in providing for his family, which includes his children Wade (Shannon) Gordy Jr. and Lisa (Clay) Holley; his grandchildren Thomas (Tonya) Gordy III, Holly (Matt) Hayes, Leigh (Daniel) Russell, Billy (Sarah) Kwiatkowski, Kyle (Katie) Busbee, and Blake (Shannon) Busbee; and his great grandchildren, Emerson Gordy, Veronica Gordy, Kenly Hayes, MJ Hayes, Cooper Kwiatkowski, Baylor Kwiatkowski, Silas Russell, and Cail Busbee. He also leaves behind many family members in Garfield, Georgia who he loved and cherished.

Wade loved the South Carolina Gamecocks, Nascar races, and he wore his green jacket every Masters Sunday. He enjoyed going to McKinney's Pond to spend time with family, attending the Midville High School reunions, where he graduated valedictorian of his class in 1947, and he could solve any sudoku puzzle.

The family thanks those who spent time caring for Wade in his last years: Bonita Smith, Carol McCloud, Amanda Glover, and Tara Reeder. A special thank you also goes to Anne McElroy Hooper for her help and compassion in his final days.

Wade was blessed to live a full and meaningful life. While we mourn him this side of heaven, we know he is enjoying his perfect healing. We rest in the peace of God's promise, knowing a reunion awaits.

"So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down. I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it someday for a crown."

Funeral Services will be conducted this Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Bethel Methodist Church. Rev. Kevin Liles and Rev. Jerry Davis officiating. Interment to follow in Jackson Memorial Park. The family will receive friends at the funeral home Thursday evening from 5 until 7.

Cemetery Details

Jackson Memorial Park

Hankinson Street
Jackson, SC

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **9**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Posey Funeral Directors
1307 Georgia Avenue
North Augusta, SC

Service

JAN **10**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Bethel Methodist Church
416 Second Street
Jackson, SC 29831

Tribute Wall



“ Posey Funeral Directors created a Tribute Video in memory of Wade T. (Sonny) Gordy Sr.



Posey Funeral Directors - January 09, 2025 at 05:02 PM

MG

Thanks for sharing these memories of Mr. Gordy. So sorry for your loss. Sending love and prayers. Minnie and Charles Goodman

minnie goodman - January 10, 2025 at 03:59 PM

PD

Beautiful tribute to Mr Sonny! To Barbara and all the family. Blessed to be his friend! Our Lord bless and keep all of them! Jerry.

Pastor Jerry Davis - January 11, 2025 at 10:38 AM

EE

“ Lisa and Wade, I am so sorry for your loss. Your dad lived a full life with his family and his ball team. He was a good man, and everyone thought a lot of him. I know that you will miss him like you have your mom. They gave a lot of time programs in Jackson, school, church and community. Prayers that you, two, and all the grands will find peace, comfort and the strength of losing your loved one. The memories you carry within you lives will always keep him close.

Erma Hiott Ellis - January 10, 2025 at 06:17 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Wade T. (Sonny) Gordy Sr..*



January 09, 2025 at 08:36 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Wade T. (Sonny) Gordy Sr..

January 09, 2025 at 08:36 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Wade T. (Sonny) Gordy Sr..*



January 09, 2025 at 07:29 PM



“ *Little Wade, Lisa & family,
Our hearts are saddened to read about Big Wade's passing. We have fond memories of our fellowship and laughs over the years, especially during football season. You are in our prayers for God to comfort & strengthen you in the days ahead. With Love,
Alan & Nancy Bishop*

Nancy Bishop - January 09, 2025 at 06:57 PM

LM

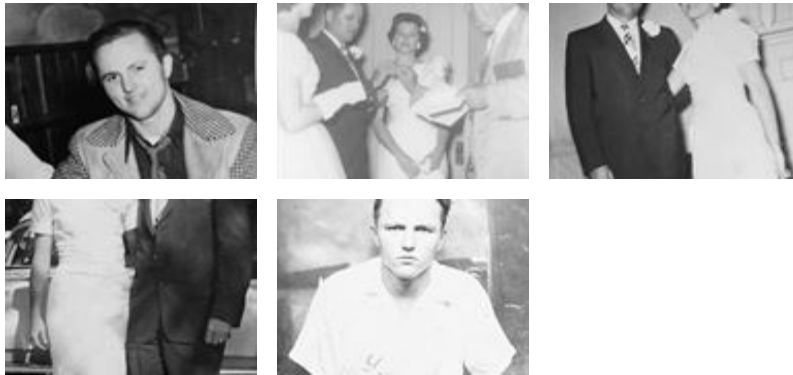
“ Last time we heard this beautiful voicewhat a treasure
(Christmas 2024).
Barry & Lynn



Lynn Martin - January 09, 2025 at 04:06 PM



“ 70 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Posey Funeral Directors - January 09, 2025 at 12:00 PM

SO

“ Shirley O. purchased the *Beautiful in Blue* for the
family of Wade T. (Sonny) Gordy Sr..



Shirley O. - January 09, 2025 at 11:21 AM

SO

“ Shirley Olson lit a candle in memory of Wade T. (Sonny) Gordy Sr.



Shirley Olson - January 09, 2025 at 11:06 AM

SO

Mr. Gordy was such a dear soul. I loved his stories when he came to Lisa's shop. He could keep you laughing with his humor and wit. He will be missed by so many! Rest in peace Mr. Gordy, in your Heavenly home. Praying Lisa and family will find comfort in the memories of this wonderful man.

Shirley Olson - January 09, 2025 at 11:14 AM

JH

“ I am thankful for Mr. Gordy's service to our nation in the United States Navy during the Korean War and his career service at the Savannah River Site. It is patriots like Mr. Gordy that served to safeguard our freedom and liberty. I offer my sincere condolences to his family, may he rest in peace.

Jeff Hoefs - January 09, 2025 at 09:47 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Wade T. (Sonny) Gordy Sr..



January 09, 2025 at 07:31 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Wade T. (Sonny) Gordy Sr..

January 09, 2025 at 07:31 AM



“ Glenn F Gustafson lit a candle in memory of Wade T. (Sonny) Gordy Sr.



Glenn F Gustafson - January 09, 2025 at 07:30 AM



“ I have struggled so hard , for what to say. It's so sad. I don't want to make light of this sad loss. But apart of me, remembers how much me and Mr Gordy had in common. Not always choosing the best words/ sentences. Just a true gut reaction. Sometimes we felt awkward. I remember his often saying, I probably shouldn't say this. Only a few, will understand the pot, and the window. He was so much to so many, took so many pictures at church events, and shared them. He was very generous, he was so funny. He was uncomfortable with compliments. He is the only man, that ever accused me of being a lady. He loved his Saturday night Polka party. He always had his carolina colors on, every Sunday, no matter if they won or lost. So much more I could say. I will miss him. Love and prayers for his family.

Ginger cartin - January 09, 2025 at 01:20 AM

LM

“ Lisa and Wade - Continued prayers for your families. We are already missing our Buddy & precious friend! Your daddy was a Blessing to us - he always said when we visited “my doors always open for y’all Lynn”. He was a great friend and father figure to us! Lynn and Barry

Lynn Martin - January 08, 2025 at 11:54 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Wade T. (Sonny) Gordy Sr..



January 08, 2025 at 11:11 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Wade T. (Sonny) Gordy Sr..

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JW

“ Jack Westbrook purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Wade T. (Sonny) Gordy Sr..



Jack Westbrook - January 08, 2025 at 08:41 PM

SS

“ Shirley and Sister purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Wade T. (Sonny) Gordy Sr..



Shirley and Sister - January 08, 2025 at 06:06 PM

KM

“ Wade, Lisa , families and friends.
What can I say about Mr. Sonny? He was one in a million. A fine Christian man loved by all who knew him. He loved God, Ms Barbara, Wade, Lisa, his grandchildren and great grandchildren. He loved his church church family and was very faithful to it as long as he was able. We will miss you Mr. Sonny but we'll see you again one glorious day. Prayers for strength and comfort today and always.

Karen Copeland Muns - January 08, 2025 at 05:51 PM

CG

“ To the family:
May your precious memories give you comfort in the weeks and months ahead.

Charles Goodman - January 08, 2025 at 05:09 PM

DB

“ Lisa, Wade and family - I am so sorry for the loss of your precious Dad/Grandfather/Great Grandfather. My heart breaks for you all. Mr. Sonny will be greatly missed. My thoughts and prayers will remain with you during these difficult times of missing him. Much love and hugs being sent your way.

Debra and Mike Bates - January 08, 2025 at 03:56 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Wade T. (Sonny) Gordy Sr..*



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“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Wade T. (Sonny) Gordy Sr..

January 08, 2025 at 03:16 PM



“ *Lisa, Wade and family, I'm so sorry for the loss of your dad. May you find peace and comfort in God's words during this difficult time. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.*

Debra Blakely - January 08, 2025 at 02:51 PM



Wade, I'm so sorry for the loss of your dad. I only saw him a few times and he was a great man. I pray that God will give you and your family comfort during this time of grief. Always remember the good times you had with him. I'm sending you love, hugs and prayers.

Diane Morris - January 08, 2025 at 08:51 PM



*Wade and Barbara produced a remarkable, contributing and wonderful family. We are all better because they came our way. My thoughts and prayers are for comfort and good memories by the family and all who loved Wade. He was a good person and friend.
Bill Gallman*

Bill Gallman - January 09, 2025 at 10:30 AM