



Joe Harold Morgan

August 9, 1941 - December 21, 2022

Joe Harold Morgan, age 81, passed into eternal rest at University Medical Center in Jackson, Mississippi on December 21, 2022. He was a resident of Laurel, Mississippi. He was born at his childhood home in Poplarville, Mississippi on August 9, 1941 to John Hezzie and Melva Margaret Bilbo Morgan. He was raised with his dear sister Janet. Joe was a 1959 graduate of George S. Gardner High School, where he was in the marching band. He earned his Bachelor's Degree at Mississippi State University in 1963 where he also participated in the ROTC program and was a member of Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity. Joe served in the 25th Infantry Division of the U.S. Army spending time in Georgia, Hawaii, Vietnam, and Kansas. After serving he returned to a career in accounting where he worked for Ernst & Ernst and the Meridian Star before beginning private practice. In 1976 he moved to Grand Bay, AL where he was the managing partner of Mobile 76 Truckstop. He and his family were a big part of the community where his children attended the Grand Bay schools. He attended Grand Bay First Baptist Church where he was a Sunday School teacher. In 1985 he returned home to Laurel, MS and opened his private practice CPA office. From 1995 to 2007 he served as the CFO of Tempico, Inc. in Hammond, LA before retiring.

In 1962, he married his loving and devoted wife of 60 years, Betty. They spent many wonderful years together raising their three beloved children. He was a doting grandfather to his seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Joe enjoyed traveling, spending time with family, nature observation, cooking, and was an avid reader. Throughout his lifetime, he was a member of the Jaycees of Meridian where he was involved with the yearly MS Junior Miss Pageant, Kiwanis Club of Laurel, a Shriner, and a Freemason. He was a member of Ignite Church where his love of the Lord deepened over the years.

He was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his spouse, Betty Ann Beeson Morgan, children Shelley Boss (David), Stephen Morgan (Ashley) and Terry Morgan (Jan); grandchildren Ashley Taylor (Michael), Brandi Richardson (Brandon), Morgan Burkle (Patrick), Brittany Bell (James), Anna Marie Smith (Will), Joseph Morgan (fiance, Lauren Peterson), and Benjamin Morgan; great-grandchildren Macy Burkle, Abigail Taylor, Pryce Burkle, Sawyer Bell, Margaret Roe Richardson, Ada James Smith, Ian Bell, and more to come. He is also survived by his sibling, Janet Landreth.

A visitation for family and friends will be held at Ignite Church on Tuesday, January 3, 2023 from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. with a service to follow at 2:00 p.m. Following the service, his burial and final resting will take place at Sunset Gardens Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in honor of Joe H. Morgan to Ignite Church (Laurel, MS) or the American Cancer Society.

To sign the online guest book, visit www.memorychapellaurel.com.

Cemetery Details

Sunset Gardens Mausoleum

1206 Wansley Rd.
Laurel, MS 39440

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 3. 1:00 PM (CT)

Ignite Church
1916 Sandy Lane
Laurel, MS 39443

Funeral Service

JAN 3. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Laurel, MS 39443

Tribute Wall

HK

“ I served with Capt Morgan in the 3rd Bde 25th Finance Section in the Nam in 1966. I have nothing but pleasant memories of that time. May Joe Rest In Peace and Rise in Glory. Hank Kamyck

Hank Kamyck - January 10, 2023 at 01:40 AM

BM

Thank you Hank. Joe spoke highly of you... kamyck!!

Betty Morgan - February 03, 2023 at 07:55 AM

DG

“ My heart breaks for your family. Joe was a such a sweet man & I was blessed to have known him. Continued prayers for peace & comfort to you all. Stay strong & know that God now holds him dear. He will be missed.

Darnell Gallo - January 03, 2023 at 11:16 AM

BM

Thank you Darnell. That means a lot to all of us.

Betty Morgan - February 03, 2023 at 07:57 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Joe Harold Morgan.



January 02, 2023 at 08:43 AM

CC

“ Joe has always been a special and great friend to me. Now he can rest in peace with our Father and Savior. Please let all your family know that we will keep each and everyone of you in our thoughts and prayers!

Charles Craven - January 01, 2023 at 05:44 PM

BM

Thanks so much. Your kind words mean a lot.
Betty

Betty Morgan - February 03, 2023 at 08:07 AM

DR

“ Our thoughts and prayers will be with your family during this sad time.

David & Angela Rudolph - December 26, 2022 at 11:52 AM

BM

Thank you. We appreciate your kind words.
Betty

Betty Morgan - February 03, 2023 at 08:00 AM

AM

“ My deepest sympathy on Joe's passing. Joe were ATO fraternity brothers as well as in Army ROTC together. I have many good memories of Joe and was blessed to have known him.

Archie McKinnis - December 25, 2022 at 10:15 PM

BM

Archie, thank you for taking the time to express your kind words here. And, for such a great posting on Facebook. It meant so much to me and to our family.
Betty

Betty Morgan - February 03, 2023 at 08:06 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Joe Harold Morgan.* ”



December 23, 2022 at 06:42 PM