



David Watson

December 28, 1940 - June 18, 2020

David Lee Watson, 79, of Travelers Rest, passed away, Thursday, June 18, 2020.

Born in Greenville County, he was a son of the late Thomas James Watson, Sr., and Lucy Cureton Cox Watson. Mr. Watson retired from Department of Social Services, and was a member of White Oak Baptist Church in Greenville.

Surviving are his wife: Gloria June Southerlin Watson; two sons: Rhett Tyler Watson and Jeremy David Watson; one brother Thomas James Watson, Jr. (Diane); and three grandchildren: Clary Elizabeth Watson, James Henley Watson, and Aubrey-Kate Olivia Watson.

The family will receive friends Saturday, June 20, 2020 from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at The Howze Mortuary.

Funeral services will be 2:00 p.m. Sunday, June 21, 2020 in The Howze Mortuary Chapel. Burial will follow in Graceland West Cemetery.

Online condolences may be expressed to the family at www.thehowzemortuary.com

The Howze Mortuary, Travelers Rest, is in charge of the arrangements. (864) 834-8051

Cemetery Details

Graceland West Cemetery

4814 White Horse Road
Greenville, SC 29610

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 20. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

The Howze Mortuary
6714 State Park Rd./P.O. Box 369
Travelers Rest, SC

Service

JUN 21. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JH

“ Gladys June & sons, We remember David because we met through a friend Estelle Craig. At prayer, we would pray for Jeremy to get well. Estelle's son Monty is married to our daughter Joan. I have mailed David's obituary to Estelle, who is with her daughter. May God Bless You with comfort. John & Bea Heberger Greer, SC.

John Heberger - June 28, 2020 at 08:01 PM

AC

“ I knew David for over 40 years working with him at DSS. He was always a great guy to chat with. In later years we discovered that we were both "gearheads" working on cars and going to local antique/classic car shows. After retirement we made several trips up to the Charlotte Speedway where they host an antique/classic car show with over 2000 cars. By the end of the day we were both wore out, if not our shoes. These trips were about 2 hours up and 2 hours back. It was traveling together up there that I really got to know David. We not only talked about cars but about trips he and June had made together. One trip I remember was when June and he went to New Orleans by train and their "adventures" there. (As the son of a railroad man I found their fondness for trains really great.) I learned that David's favorite vacation spot was going to Hilton Head with June. So many other things. I grew to like and respect David as a generous friend with a deep faith. I only learned Wednesday (6/17) that David was in hospice and before I could go see him, and learned he had passed and is now in the care of the Lord. May He bless June and the family through this difficult time. Our prayers are with you.

Austin & Suzanne Case

Austin and Suzanne Case - June 21, 2020 at 04:40 PM

NC

“ To all the family of David Watson please know that my prayers and thoughts are with you. Jimmy I can so vividly picture David as he was a classmate of my brother Mack. Jimmy I remember you as a delightful classmate of Shields and myself. Both if you guys were some of my favorites. I think we want all 12 grades together. So sorry that during this pandemic that I cannot be with you. With highest regard to David's family,
Neil

Neil Cochran - June 21, 2020 at 03:54 PM

JJ

“ June and boys---with heartfelt sympathy for your families I will be lifting prayers to our loving Father who make no mistakes. Philippians 1:21. Joann Spencer Jones

Joann Jones - June 21, 2020 at 02:47 PM

AH

“ June, so sorry to learn of the death of David. You and the family are in our thoughts and prayers. Ann Hudson and family

A. Hudson - June 21, 2020 at 08:10 AM

SC

“ David was my classmate for many years at Taylor's High School. He was always the perfect gentleman, with a warm, caring, friendly personality. He made me a better person. We each have a son named Rhett, which I just learned. Sincere condolences to all his family and friends.
Alexandra (Sandra Sammons) Coleman

San Sammons Coleman - June 20, 2020 at 01:14 PM

WW

“ *Wyckliffe, Lawrence, Austin, Michael, Erwin Watson's purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of David Watson.*



Wyckliffe, Lawrence, Austin, Michael, Erwin Watson's - June 20, 2020 at 01:08 PM

SH

“ *David and I were high school classmates. I remember him as a bright and determined student with a wonderful talent as a pianist. I am sorry to learn of his passing.*

If someone were to Google the term "kind and gentle person" I suspect that David's photo would display on the screen.

It was a privilege to have known David Watson and I am certain that he will be missed greatly by his family.

June, my prayers will include you and your family.

Kindest Regards;

*Stephen Howell
Blythewood, South Carolina*

Stephen Howell - June 20, 2020 at 12:23 PM

SC

“ David and I shared many situation at DSS. There were good times and many bad times when we had to handle crowds and angry clients. I remember when we were down town in the Kress building when I heard this very loud noise and yelling. I ran to the back and into David's area and found his desk had been "dumped" on with what looked like groceries but I don't think it was??? David just walked away shaking his head. Never said anything while we were going crazy. That is what we went through during our time at DSS and DHHS. Our workers were great and most of the time our clients were also. God Bless you David and your family.

Suzanne D. Culp

Suzanne D Culp - June 20, 2020 at 10:59 AM

SC

“ I remember David well as a great person. He was well liked by all his fellow students. Remembering Jimmy and all the family during this time. Shields Cochran a classmate of David's brother Jimmy.

Shields Cochran - June 20, 2020 at 10:46 AM

CS

“ David was the person who hired me to work at DSS.....he was always kind and very easy to work with. Prayers for June and his family,

Cindy Smithers - June 19, 2020 at 06:14 PM



“ *Kirk and Gail Miller purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of David Watson.* ”



Kirk and Gail Miller - June 19, 2020 at 04:44 PM



“ *Silken Serenity Casket Spray was purchased for the family of David Watson.* ”



June 19, 2020 at 12:05 PM