



Hayward Kenneth Bayne Sr.

March 10, 1936 - May 1, 2026

Hayward Kenneth Bayne, Sr., 90, beloved husband, father, “Papa” and friend, died Friday, May 1, 2026, at his home.

Born in Greenville on March 10, 1936, he was a son of the late Grady Bayne and Elaise Cox Bayne.

Kenneth was a proud veteran of the United States Army. He retired from JP Stevens, Slater plant, after 35 years of employment. Kenneth and his wife, Ava Jo, enjoyed traveling to the mountains of Franklin, NC, prior to his declining health. A classic car enthusiast, he loved seeing them in person and watching them on TV. His favorite car of all was the 1940 Ford Coupe, which was the car he had when he dated Ava Jo. Above all, his greatest accomplishment and joy was his family. Kenneth was a member of Cross Plains Baptist Church.

Left to cherish his memory is his loving wife of 68 years, Ava Jo Luker Bayne; his children, Hayward Kenneth “Ken” Bayne, Jr. (Stacie), Martha “Cookie” Crawford (Dennis) and Ray Bayne (Bertha); seven grandchildren, Kimberly, Caroline, Austin, Ray Jr., Timmy, Chris and Stephanie; and seven great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his siblings, Judy

Chapman, David Bayne and Larry Bayne, Sr.

A visitation will be held on Wednesday, May 6, 2026, from 12:00 p.m. until 12:45 p.m. at The Howze Mortuary in Travelers Rest. The funeral service will follow at 1:00 p.m. in the Chapel. Entombment will be at Mountain View Memorial Park.

The family would like to express their grateful appreciation to the staff of Prisma Health Hospice of the Foothills for the care they provided Kenneth and their support to the family. Also, special thanks to all of the family and friends who have helped us in any way during this time.

Memorials may be made to Prisma Health Hospice of the Foothills, 390 Keowee School Rd, Seneca, SC 29672 or to <https://prismahealth.org/giving/ocnee-memorial-hospital-foundation/make-a-donation>.

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

The Howze Mortuary, Travelers Rest, is assisting the family with arrangements. (864) 834-8051.

Cemetery Details

Mountain View Memorial Park

7 Duncan Rd
Travelers Rest, SC 29690
(864) 834-3184

Upcoming Events

Visitation

MAY 6. 12:00 PM - 12:45 PM (est)

The Howze Mortuary, Inc.
6714 State Park Road
P.O. Box 369
Travelers Rest, SC 29690
(864) 834-8051
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Funeral Service

MAY 6. 1:00 PM - 1:45 PM (est)

The Howze Mortuary Chapel
6714 State Park Rd.
Travelers Rest
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Entombment

MAY 6. 2:00 PM - 2:30 PM (est)

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