



Samuel Keese

June 17, 1933 - January 19, 2013

SAMUEL M. KEESE GREENVILLE, SC

Samuel Marion Keese, 79, went to be with the Lord on Saturday, January 19, 2013 at his home while surrounded by his family.

Born in Anderson County, SC, he was the son of the late Hison and Hazel Keese. Mr. Keese graduated from The Boys High School in Anderson in 1951, enlisted in the United States Air Force in 1952, where he spent 4 years on active duty, serving as an Air Traffic Controller. During part of his service, he was stationed in Germany. Mr. Keese was retired from the Federal Aviation Agency where he worked as an Air Traffic Controller at the Greenville Downtown Airport and GSP for 25 years. True to his long desire, he opened the first off course golf shop, Sam's Pro Shop, in 1976. He joined Green Valley Golf Club in Greenville where he was an avid golfer, met many endearing friends, and was a member of Trinity Presbyterian Church.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Ann M. Keese; daughters: Hope McCorkle(Jim), Karen Nelson(Mark); daughter-in-law: Cherie Keese; brother: Rev. Dr. Jerry Keese(Mollie); sisters: Doris McAlister, Jean Bolt(Wade); grandchildren: Anna Ashby, Staci Keese, Zachary Beale, Samantha Beale, Stevie Keese, Wyatt Nelson, Joseph Nelson; and great-grandchildren: Lucy and Capri.

Along with his parents, he was predeceased by a son: Steven M. Keese; and brother: James Keese.

Memorial services will be Tuesday morning at 11 a.m. at Trinity Presbyterian Church with burial to be private.

The family will receive friends after the service in the church fellowship hall.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Trinity Presbyterian Church Building Fund, 405 Wilhelm Winter St., Travelers Rest, SC 29690.

The family will be at the home.

The family would like to thank Vista Care Hospice, Dr. Jeffrey Edenfield and his staff, and especially Dr. William Bonner for his love and care.

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.

Previous Events

Service

JAN 22. 11:00 AM (ET)

Trinity Presbyterian Church
405 Trailblazer Drive
Travelers Rest, SC

Visitation

JAN 22. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Travelers Rest, SC

Tribute Wall

TK

“ Dear Ann and Family, we are so sorry for your loss. We recognize the many accomplishments Sam contributed to the community. He was well loved and admired and we cherish his memory as a neighbor.

Al and Tammy Kesterson

Tamara Kesterson - January 24, 2013 at 10:29 AM

HP

“ Karen, Praying for you and your family during this time. God is a very present help in trouble and He will be faithful to you and your family. Your family is such a blessing to me at church and I love you all.

Hazel Poston

Hazel A. Poston - January 22, 2013 at 11:33 AM

HP

“ Karen, Just wanted you to know I have been praying for you and your family during this time of your father's death. God is faithful and knows all our sorrows and pain. He is a very present help in the time of trouble. I love you and Mark and the children and if there is anything I can do, please let me know.

Hazel A. Poston - January 22, 2013 at 11:21 AM

JC

“ Dear Family, I worked with Sam for over 20 years. Many fond memories. John Cooper

John Cooper - January 22, 2013 at 09:59 AM



“ *Ann and Family, My condolences. Your marriage and life together represents the perfect love story. Sam was a wonderful husband and father, and I salute him. May you rest in the knowledge that his love for you was beyond imagination. God's richest blessings to each of you.*
Mar Lene



Mar B. Loehr - January 21, 2013 at 07:46 AM