



## James Andrew Watkins

November 14, 1945 - April 15, 2020

Mr. James Andrew 'Andy' Watkins, age 74 of Mableton, passed away Wednesday, April 15, 2020. He was preceded in death by his parents, Horace and Frances Watkins and sister Harriett Watkins Little. He is survived by his brother-in-law, Robert Anderson Little, Mobile, AL; nieces, Deborah Little Ward, Gulf Breeze, FL, Renee Little Kirby and husband Larry Kirby, Theodore, AL, and great nieces Haley Nichole Kirby, Mobile, AL, Brittany Paige Ward, Tampa, FL. Andy served as a part of our U.S. Navy and was a graduate of Joe E. Brown High School, Class of 1963. Andy was a lover of life who never met a stranger, always with a story to tell and shoulder to lean on. The original 'dog whisperer' and Harley Davidson enthusiast, with the biggest heart and kindest soul. Andy's passing has left a huge hole in our heart, he will be greatly missed but never forgotten. Due to the unfortunate circumstances going on in today's world, we will be postponing services to a later date. Condolences may be submitted on-line at [www.scotward.com](http://www.scotward.com). Scot Ward Funeral Services, 699 American Legion Rd., Conyers, GA, 770-483-7216.

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“ Andy was a dear friend. We played ball in Dargan Park, at Peebles St School and at Brown High School. We had many adventures ,some not to be mentioned but most memorable..For the past few years we had chats at least 2 a month usually talking about those adventures or the other friends that we made as children. We also shared many meals at Barbecue Kitchen in College Park . Conversations always got to Baseball or Basketball .We loved both. I only had an opportunity to meet his relatives from the Gulf ,He surely loved you all Jon Shaw

Jon Shaw - May 08 at 04:56 PM

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“ I've known Andy for over 40 years and will miss him coming by our book store. We didn't see eye to eye politically but he liked to always try to get to come to his side. I will miss those conversations and his company. RIP and God speed Andy! Love, Rhonda

Rhonda Kidd Harris - April 23 at 06:43 PM

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“ Andy Watkins was an amazing individual. Some would call him a real character..real meaning honest and character meaning fun loving and unpredictable. Occasionally he would just show up at our house ready to chat about anything and everything. Yet, when you needed him ..well then he was Mr. Dependable. I needed him alot as a lender. I depended on him to get real estate transactions closed and he always managed to do so even the ones that looked hopeless. I admired him for many reasons and I will miss him alot. Anna Marie Dickerson

Anna Marie Dickerson - April 21 at 10:24 AM

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Brenda Godbee Raptis - April 20 at 08:34 PM

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“ When I was in the 8th grade at Brown High School, Andy was one of those "larger than life" Seniors. I never really got to know him until we started having yearly all class school picnics about 18 years ago. He and I became instant friends....I loved him and I knew he loved me. I will miss him greatly along with everybody else that knew him. We had a lot of great folks come out of the halls of Brown High and he was one of them. May you rest in Paradise my special friend.



**Brenda Godbee Raptis- BHS '67** - April 20 at 08:22 PM

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“ Andy and I were 2nd and 3rd chair sousaphone players in the Brown High School Rebel Marching Band. He always claimed he just faked blowing and fingering, but Bert Kempe wouldn't have kept him in varsity band if they were true. Couple of years ago, I mentioned the restaurant where we had brunch every Sunday and remarked on its Eggs Benedict. The next Sunday he surprised us and joined us there. He was a special guy.

**Dick Donovan** - April 18 at 05:19 PM