



Eli Benson Plunkett

July 29, 1933 - December 30, 2022

Benson Plunkett, of Conyers, passed away Saturday December 30, 2022 at the age of 89. He was born July 29, 1933 in Newton County. He graduated from North Georgia College in 1956. He was a commissioned U S Army officer serving as a paratrooper with the 82nd Airborne Division. He earned his Master's Degree from Peabody College and Post Graduate Degree at Peabody and Georgia State University. He operated a private business for eight years and served as an elected member of the Rockdale County Board of Education. He was named to Personalities of the South in 1969. Benson taught elementary, middle and high school. He served as principal of elementary and middle schools and was the first principal of Heritage High School in Rockdale County. Benson is preceded in death by his loving wife, Nell-Ann Plunkett. He is survived by his sisters Patricia Plunkett of Pineville, SC and Jane Plunkett Brett of Wadley, GA. His daughters: Dee Vanderlin of Tacoma, WA, Diane Howington of Conyers, GA, and Judy Azar (Louis Azar) of Eatonton, GA He is survived by his seven grandchildren (Dylan, Marcie, John, Chris, Tim, Jason, and Jonathon) and 11 great-grandchildren. Funeral service will be held at Conyers First United Methodist Church on Saturday, January 14, 2023 at 11:00 am. The family will accept friends Friday, January 13, 2023 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm at Scot Ward Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Salem Camp Ground in Covington, GA. Condolences may be submitted on-line at www.scotward.com. Scot Ward Funeral Services, 699 American Legion Road, Conyers, GA 30012, 770-483-7216.

Cemetery Details

East View Cemetery

1127 East View Road
Conyers, GA 30012

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **13**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Scot Ward Funeral Services at Green Meadow Memorial Gardens
699 American Legion Road
Conyers, GA 30012

Service

JAN **14**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Conyers First United Methodist Church
921 North Main St
Conyers, GA 30012

Tribute Wall



“ 58 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Scot Ward Funeral Services - January 12, 2023 at 04:22 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams* was purchased for the family of *Eli Benson Plunkett*.



January 11, 2023 at 07:49 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray* was purchased for the family of *Eli Benson Plunkett*.



January 11, 2023 at 12:40 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Eli Benson Plunkett.*



January 10, 2023 at 11:22 AM



“ *Love Dee Vanderlin purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Eli Benson Plunkett.*



Love Dee Vanderlin - January 06, 2023 at 01:35 PM



“ *I remember him being my Principal at Main Street Elementary School. He took pride in the school. We need more like him today.*

Lisa Clay - January 05, 2023 at 04:42 PM



“ *Mr. Plunkett was one of my favorite people. He was a very kind man, an excellent Supervisor when I drove a School Bus. I will always remember him for his support and his humor. It's not good bye, just see you later.*

Serita Capes - January 03, 2023 at 08:26 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Eli Benson Plunkett.*



January 03, 2023 at 03:33 PM



“ *Debbie, Jake and David Plunkett purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Eli Benson Plunkett.*



Debbie, Jake and David Plunkett - January 03, 2023 at 12:42 PM