



Ernest Dexter Holmes, Jr.

November 11, 1941 - January 11, 2025

Ernest Dexter Holmes, Jr., age 83 of Conyers, passed away Saturday, January 11, 2025. He was preceded in death by his wife, Sylvia Jane Ellington Holmes; parents, Ernest Dexter & Bess McDonald Holmes; sister, Betty Jane Holmes Kirkpatrick. He is survived by his children, Steven Matthew Holmes, Sally Janel Holmes Allen, & her husband, Scott Morgan Allen, Suzanne Marie Holmes Funk; grandchildren, Jordan Marie Holmes, Laurel Jane Holmes Esposito, Sara Marie Funk, Summer Jane Funk, Owen Morgan Allen; sister, Edith Holmes Bowie. During Ernest's long & rewarding life, he attained a bachelor's and master's degree at Georgia State University, and was the long-time owner and operator of Holmes Seed & Fertilizer in historic Olde Town Conyers. Ernest was an active member of Rockdale Baptist Church & served as a Meals on Wheels volunteer. He enjoyed long neighborhood walks, working in his yard, & reading. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital via their website, <https://www.stjude.org/donate/donate-to-st-jude.html>. Graveside services will be held Thursday, January 16, 2025 at 2:00 PM at East View Cemetery. The family will receive friends Thursday, January 16, 2025 from 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM at the funeral home. Condolences may be submitted on-line at www.scotward.com. Scot Ward Funeral Services, 699 American Legion Rd., Conyers, GA, 770-483-7216.

Cemetery Details

East View Cemetery

1127 East View Road
Conyers, GA 30012

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 16. 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

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

Service

JAN 16. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Ernest Dexter Holmes, Jr..*



January 15, 2025 at 10:28 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ernest Dexter Holmes, Jr..

January 15, 2025 at 10:28 PM



“ *We always enjoyed our visits with Ernest at the feed and seed store and throughout the years when we would meet up with Ernest. Our thoughts and prayers will be with you all during this time.*

*Ernest and Peggy Kirkpatrick
Rabun Gap, Georgia*

Ernest & Peggy Kirkpatrick - January 15, 2025 at 10:48 AM

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I remember the years growing up visiting and playing with y'all and playing outside in the neighborhood. Those were the days. Your dad was always kind to me. As I grew into an adult, there were times that I would see Ernest outside and I would stop by just to say hi. He had a few Shelties in the back yard. Then one of them slipped out of the collar and took off. Finally, the dog was found and he was so kind and forgiving as I thought it was my fault that she got away. I'm just glad she was found. He always seemed to have a kind and loving heart. Prayers to you all during this time and during years to come.

*Donna Lewis Reeves
Former neighbor Rockdale, Conyers, GA
Currently, Pace, FL*

Donna Reeves - January 15, 2025 at 10:43 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Ernest Dexter Holmes, Jr..*



January 14, 2025 at 10:50 AM