



## Harley Thompson, Jr.

August 7, 1933 - June 9, 2023

Harley Andrew Thompson, Jr. passed peacefully from earthly life the morning of June 9th, 2023, at the age of 89, following a valiant battle with heart disease and COPD, compounded by the degenerating effects of an old esophageal injury. That injury was considered 'unrecoverable' in 1995, yet Harley's fighting spirit allowed him to survive, blessed by an additional twenty-eight years with his family.

Harley was born on August 7, 1933, in Hapeville, GA. He grew up in Hapeville and graduated from Hapeville High School, where he played football and enjoyed many friendships. Harley went on to play football at Southern Tech and attended Georgia Tech.

He was a successful realtor, real estate developer, and home builder, owning both his own real estate and building companies. He built homes that many friends and family members continue to live in today. He served proudly in the Army, including active duty in Korea from 1954-1956, and in the Army Reserve. Harley was a long-time member of the American Legion.

Harley actively supported Ousley United Methodist Church for many years. In later years, he attended Union United Methodist Church. He was an avid golfer and a long-time member of the Senior Golfers Association of Atlanta.

Harley was a quiet, yet strong and honorable man of great conviction. He was a man of faith, devoted to family and his country, a loyal friend to many, and a lover of animals. He will be missed by many.

Harley was preceded in death by his father, Harley Andrew Thompson, Sr.; his mother, Frances (nee Hitchcock); and his brother, Charles Thompson. He is survived by his loving wife of 65 years, Carole (nee Myers); sister, Anne Parham; devoted daughters, Deidre (Larry) Fauconnet and Keri (Mark Norato) Palmer; sister-in-law, Elyene Thompson; nephews, Gary, Larry, and Jeff Alvord and their families; step-grandchildren, Laurance and Brittany Fauconnet.

Viewing/reception begins at 1:00 PM followed by Harley's service at 2:00 PM on Thursday, June 15th, at Scot Ward Funeral Services, 699 American Legion Road, Conyers, GA.

In honor of Harley's love of all creatures great and small, the family requests that contributions be made to the non-profit Forever Dream Senior Dog Sanctuary, PO Box 521, Tryon, NC, 28782, in lieu of flowers.

Condolences may be submitted on-line at [www.scotward.com](http://www.scotward.com). Scot Ward Funeral Services, 699 American Legion Road, Conyers, GA 30012, 770-483-7216.

# Cemetery Details

## Fairview Memorial Gardens

164 Fairview Rd.  
Stockbridge, GA 30281

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 15. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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

## Service

JUN 15. 2:00 PM (ET)

Scot Ward's Green Meadow Chapel  
699 American Legion Road  
Conyers, GA 30012

# Tribute Wall



“ *Scot Ward Funeral Services created a Webcast in memory of Harley Thompson, Jr.*



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**Scot Ward Funeral Services** - June 15, 2023 at 12:41 PM

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“ *Karine S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Harley Thompson, Jr..*

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**Karine S.** - July 29, 2023 at 03:16 PM

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“ *My sincerest condolences go out to Mrs. Carol, Dede & Keri! Mr. Harley was a man of strong integrity. He & my Dad met some 43 years ago and they grew that work relationship into a wonderful friendship. He will be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this extremely difficult loss.*

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**Lori** - June 15, 2023 at 10:43 AM

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“ I'm very sorry to hear about the loss of Harley. He was truly a remarkable individual and his absence will be deeply felt by everyone that knew him. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you during this very difficult.

*Dennis Smith*

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**Dennis** - June 15, 2023 at 10:23 AM

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“ Harley was a longtime friend and we did ministry together at Ousley UMC and played a lot of golf together including golf trips. He was an honorable and Godly man.

*Pete Denicke*

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**Pete Denicke** - June 14, 2023 at 04:57 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Harley Thompson, Jr..



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June 12, 2023 at 03:04 PM



“ 49 files added to the album Life Tributes



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**Scot Ward Funeral Services** - June 12, 2023 at 01:56 PM