



## Harold Hester

October 10, 1952 - June 7, 2023

Harold Hester, 70, died Wednesday, June 7, 2023 at Piedmont Rockdale Hospital in Conyers, Georgia. He was preceded in death by his wife, Jacqueline Hester; daughter, Erin Whitney Hester; mother, Margart Norma Wilmont; and father, Lindbergh Harper. He is survived by his daughter, Kelly Hester; son and daughter-in-law, Dontrease and Sharitta Watkins; grandsons, Shayquan and Shuntrase Watkins; granddaughters, Samya Young, Mecia and Isaiah Gillerson; and many aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Harold loved all his family and had many accomplishments in his life. He truly set a great example of how 'To get to the top, you have to start from the bottom.' He started out as a teenager working at Brenau University in their kitchen as a dishwasher and worked his way to become the supervisor over the dietician department. By the age of 19, he was managing a dietary department in one of the most exclusive, private high schools in Dunwoody, Ga. Harold says that the people related skills instilled in him while at the school had a profound effect on him and allowed him to accept well-deserved promotions annually for a decade. Eventually, he moved on to become the Regional Director for Wesley Woods Senior Living over the Southeastern District. He truly found his niche. He contributed his success to the guidance of his mother, Margaret Wilmont.

While at Brenau University, he met a student there that became the love of his

life, Jacqueline 'Jackie' Hester. One thing Harold loved to do was dance and he loved music! He also loved his cars and both he and Jackie started a limousine business before he ended up retiring from Whole Foods. Afterwards, Harold prepared meals for the children at summer camps in Conyers, GA through one of the churches in the area for several years.

Harold loved his children, and he also had a great love for his younger brother, Troy Hester, who is in prison. He stated, 'I will put funds in Troy's account as long as I have breath in my body.' He lived up to these remarks! He visited Troy on a regular basis before the pandemic. He lost his wife Jacqueline and his daughter Erin and is now survived by his son, Dontrease. Also, he was cared for by his daughter, Kelly in his last days at their home.

Memorial service will be held Saturday July 8, 2023, at 1:00 PM at Connect Church Atl, 3532 Covington Hwy., Decatur, GA 30032 with Pastor Tez Andrews officiating.

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

## Atlanta Crematory

1040-A Main Street  
Stone Mountain, GA 30086

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JUL 8. 1:00 PM (ET)

Connect Church Atl  
3532 Covington Hwy  
Decatur, GA 30032

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Harold loved to dance!!*



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*My condolences to you Kelly and family....love you ..cuz Carlos and family*

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**Carlos Young** - June 20, 2023 at 05:34 PM