



## Howard Gattis

September 3, 1932 - September 11, 2014

Mr. Howard Lamar Gattis, age 82 of Conyers, went home to be with his Lord and Savior Thursday, September 11, 2014. He was born September 3, 1932 and graduated from Conyers High School. In May 1952 he married the love of his life, Phoebe Stephenson and they shared 62 years of marriage. He proudly served in the U.S. Army stationed in Germany. He was in the insurance business for over 40 years. Lamar lived his life to the fullest with a servant's heart. He was a Deacon and Sunday School teacher at Philadelphia Baptist Church in Klondike (Lithonia). Lamar's quiet, gentle demeanor made people feel loved and welcomed. He invested in others and immensely enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was an avid golfer and enjoyed playing as often as possible. He was always ready with a good joke-he loved to laugh and make others laugh. He is survived by his loving wife, Phoebe Stephenson Gattis; daughter, Cindy and Mack Neal of Lawrenceville; son, Eddie and Angela Gattis of Naples, FL; grandchildren, Brian Neal (Elizabeth), Mary Payne (Jeff), Stephen Neal, Mike Gattis (Begum), Sara Murphy (BJ), Alan Gattis; great-grandchildren, Emma and Cody Neal, Isley and Tradd Payne, Christian Cole and Dylan Murphy; brothers, Thomas Edward Gattis, Sr., Doyle Gattis (Shirley); sisters, Shirley Millar, Amanda Digby (Cleve); sister-in-law, Eloise Gattis; and numerous nieces and nephews. Funeral Services will be held Sunday, September 14, 2014 at 3 p.m. at the First Baptist Conyers with Rev, Howard Greer and Rev. Mark Marshall officiating; interment will follow at Green Meadow Memorial

Gardens. The family will receive friends from 6 until 8 p.m. on Saturday, September 13, 2014 at the funeral home. Flowers accepted or contributions may be made to First Baptist Church Conyers, Debt Reduction Program, 2100 Highway 138 NE, Conyers, GA 30013. Scot Ward Funeral Services, 699 American Legion Road, Conyers, GA 30012, 770-483-7216.