



Charles Buford Arnold

June 23, 1935 - April 8, 2017

Dr. Charles Buford Arnold, Ph.D., 81 of Bear Creek, AL., passed away Saturday, April 8, 2017. He was born June 23, 1935 to Homer Issiah and Hazel Rae Arnold. Mr. Arnold was a member of Bear Creek Community Church and a proud veteran, serving in the U.S. Army.

'Buford' , as he was known, earned his B.S. and M.S. from the University of North Alabama and a Ph.D. from Georgia State University. He was a teacher at the Jonesboro and Bremen school systems, worked at the University of Georgia Extension Center, Assistant Superintendent in the Cedartown City School System, Superintendent of the Bremen City Schools, Superintendent of the Cartersville City Schools, Georgia Legislative Lobbyist for the Georgia School System, Educational Consultant with Southern A.E, LLC and Professor at Piedmont College. Mr. Arnold had a Rotarian Scholarship with the University of Oslo, in Norway. Buford's passion above all was to help his students achieve their educational goals.

Visitation will be Tuesday, April 11, 2017 from 12 p.m. - 3 p.m. at Pinkard Funeral Home in Haleyville, AL., where the service will be held at 3:00 p.m. . Randal Foster, Stanley McCain, Donald Slate, and Eric Arnold will officiate the service. Burial will be in Bear Creek Cemetery.

He is survived by his Wife, Billie Mann Arnold; children, Todd (Jackie) Slate,

Bremen, GA, and Eric Arnold, Tampa, FL; Sister, Sybil (Tommy) Tomlinson, Danville, AL; Sister in law, Jackie (Kermit) Breed; nieces, Seville deOnis, Jane Breed, and Rhonda Thompson; Nephew, Arnold Wade Tomlinson; and neighbor, Deanna McDaniel.

He is preceded in death by his parents and first Wife, Betty Ann Slate-Arnold.

In lieu of flowers, friends are asked to make donations to the church or charity of their choice in Mr. Arnold's honor.

you may leave online condolences at www.pinkardfh.com

Cemetery Details

Bear Creek Cemetery

Bear Creek, AL

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 11. 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Pinkard Funeral Home - Haleyville
1308 21st Street Hwy. 195 P.O. 592
Haleyville, AL 35565
(205) 486-7662
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Funeral Service

APR 11. 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

DP

“ My mother, Margaret Pittman, admired Dr. Arnold and was so pleased when he returned to Bremen as administration before her retirement. It was an honor that he and his wife made a special trip to Carrollton to sign her book at the funeral home when she died in 1996. Dorothy Pittman

Dorothy Pittman - April 13, 2017 at 08:59 AM

MS

“ BUFORD WAS A WONDERFUL FIRST COUSIN WELL AS BEST FRIEND ESPECIALLY TO MY BROTHER, LEON EDMOND, HIS BEST BUDDY. LOVE YOU AND RIP



Martha Edmond Spicer - April 11, 2017 at 10:01 AM

DH

“ Dr. Buford Arnold was one of the most knowledgeable and effective school administrators in our time. He always wanted every student and employee under his care to be ultra successful. He did everything possible to make sure that happened. He demonstrated his strong faith in the Lord in the way he loved, cared and provided for his family. Dr. Arnold was always firm and fair in carrying out his responsibilities, He was a tremendous encourager to all of us in education . There has never been a more effective ambassador for education than Dr. Arnold. "Doc" was a dear friend.

Doug Harris - April 11, 2017 at 09:36 AM

JF

“ Sending our prayers 🙏 to this sweet family. what a great loving, caring, sweet man. He will be missed so much. I can't wait to see him again in HEAVEN.



janice freeman - April 11, 2017 at 08:44 AM



“ Shelia Rainey-Knox lit a candle in memory of Charles Buford Arnold



Shelia Rainey-Knox - April 11, 2017 at 07:48 AM



Dr Arnold's gift of working with youth added so much to our school days. He will be missed by all. I have no doubt he is in heaven.

Shelia Rainey-Knox - April 11, 2017 at 07:52 AM

MM

“ Praying for your family! You were a wonderful teacher! Memories will always be with me!
Martha Parker McBrayer



Martha McBrayer - April 10, 2017 at 05:00 PM

DB

“ Thank you for all of the happy childhood memories. I'll our 2 hour telephone call. Love you!

David Buchanan - April 10, 2017 at 10:07 AM

SP

“ I am deeply saddened by Buford's passing. I have always valued his decency, intelligence, and genuine good humor, and feel a great sense of loss.

Stewart Phillips - April 10, 2017 at 08:05 AM

MN

“ Dr. Arnold was an excellent superintendent and, more importantly, a really good person. The world of education will miss his wisdom.



Michelle Neal - April 09, 2017 at 06:09 PM

LJ

“ Linda Dobbs Jackson lit a candle in memory of Charles Buford Arnold



Linda Dobbs Jackson - April 09, 2017 at 04:12 PM

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“ _Perry Smith lit a candle in memory of Charles Buford Arnold



_Perry Smith - April 09, 2017 at 04:06 PM

HB

“ *My heartfelt condolences to the family. Buford touched the lives of countless young people in positive ways for decades. He was a teacher and administrator who never lost his love for helping students. In many ways he was a mentor to me; always positive and always helpful. He will be missed by those who were privileged to know him. May the God of our Fathers restore, strengthen and bless his family with wonderful memories of life shared with Buford.*

Harold T. Barnett

Harold T. Barnett - April 09, 2017 at 03:41 PM

JC

“ *Thank you " Mr. Arnold" for not giving up on me. Thinking back on my life, you are one of the ones at the top that had a positive impact on my life. I got into more trouble in your class than any other, but I knew you really cared and wanted the best for us.*



Jane Williamson Chambers - April 09, 2017 at 02:32 PM