



Obituary

Born: Friday, January 12, 1945

Died: Saturday, May 30, 2020

Mr. Arlon Ray Hiers, age 75, of Blackshear, passed away Saturday evening (5/30/20) at his residence surrounded by his family following a courageous battle with cancer.

Born January 12, 1945 in Pierce County, he was a son of the late Clyde Alton and Ella Mae Davis Hiers. He was a 1965 graduate of Blackshear High School and served in the United States Air Force in the Vietnam War, rising to the rank of Sergeant. He retired in 1994 as a machinist from the CSX Railroad in Waycross and had owned his own farm for a number of years.

He was a faithful member of Walkerville Baptist Church and attended the Senior Adults Sunday School Class. He had served on several building committees over the years and had recently helped break ground for the new sanctuary.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brothers, Kenny Hiers, Alton Worten, and Billy Hiers; and a half-brother, Randy Hiers.

Survivors include his wife of 54 years, Willene Taylor Hiers of Blackshear; 3 daughters and sons-in-law, Cindy and Randy Crawford of Blackshear, Kristie and Mike O'Steen of Waycross, and Robin and Tony Mixon of Cochran; grandchildren, Brooke (Michael) Williams of Brunswick, Karissa (Bryan) Willis of Adel, Eric Tyler Johnson and Ryan Halsey, both of Charleston, WV, Brandon Johnson of Smyrna, GA, Kyler Crawford of Blackshear, Karrigan Foskey of Milledgeville, GA, Ethan Foskey and Gavin Foskey, both of Cochran; great grandchildren, Brody, Baylor and Mia Katherine Williams, all of Brunswick and Easton and Elleree Willis, both of Adel; brothers, Wallace Hiers of Bristol, Jimmy Hiers of Mershon, and Rev. Roger Worten (wife Cathy) of Starke, FL; half siblings, Wanda Scott, Terry Hiers, and Clifton Hiers, all of Waycross; and several nieces, nephews, and other relatives.

A funeral service will take place Wednesday morning (6/3/20) at 11 a.m. in the chapel of Hart Funeral Home. A private burial will follow at Walkerville Baptist Church Cemetery.

Serving as pallbearers will be Michael Williams, Tyler Johnson, Brandon Johnson, Kyler Crawford, Bryan Willis, and Ethan Foskey.

The Walkerville Baptist Church Senior Adult Sunday School Class is asked to serve as honorary pallbearers. Please be at the funeral home by 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday.

Service Summary

Visitation

5:00 PM to 8:00 PM, Tue Jun 02, 2020

Hart Funeral Home

210 Johnson Street
Blackshear, GA 31516

Funeral Service

11:00 AM Wed Jun 03, 2020

Hart Funeral Home Chapel

210 Johnson Street
Blackshear, GA 31516

The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Tuesday evening from 5-8 p.m. The use of masks and social distancing are recommended. Anyone who is uncomfortable in a crowd is welcome to come by the funeral home between 1-5 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Walkerville Baptist Church Building Fund, 3000 Walkerville Road, Blackshear, GA 31516 or the Southeast Cancer Unit, PO Box 667, Blackshear, GA 31516.

Sympathy may be expressed by signing online at www.hartfh.com.

Hart Funeral Home of Blackshear is in charge of arrangements.