



## George Dale Upton

August 9, 1940 - January 17, 2016

Funeral service for George Dale Upton, age 75, of Decatur, will be Wednesday, January 20, 2016, 10:00 a.m. at Shelton Funeral Home Chapel with Todd Kurzhal officiating. The family will receive friends on Tuesday, January 19, 2016, from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Interment will be in Burningtree Memorial Gardens.

Mr. Upton, who died Sunday, January 17, 2016, at his residence, was born August 9, 1940, in San Francisco, CA, to Carl Dale Upton and Margaret Stumpf Upton.

Mr. Upton retired from Austin High School following 29 years of service. He coached Cross Country at Austin High School and Dixie Youth Baseball. Mr. Upton was a veteran of the United States Army.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia Sullivan Upton; one son, Jeremy Dale Upton (Kate) of Chapel Hill, NC; and two grandchildren, Nicholas Sullivan Upton and Brennan Elizabeth Upton, both of Chapel Hill, NC.

Pallbearers will be James Clyde Silver, Thomas Avery Littrell, IV, Ramsey Woodruff, Quentin Minson, Zachary Minson, and Craig Baker.

The family respectfully requests memorial donations be made in honor of

George to Decatur Dixie Youth Baseball, P. O. Box 5203, Decatur, AL 35601.

# Tribute Wall

DM

“ George my man. George, even though I have not seen you in 40 years I have thought about you many times in my life. You were a friend when I needed one. I have never forgotten yours and Pats friendship. Do me one last favor save me a seat up their. Then we can talk. Take care Pat.

Still your friend,

**DR. GARY MCGILL**



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**DR. GARY MCGILL** - January 23, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ Our hearts and prayers are with George's (Dale) family and friends. We always enjoyed him keeping us to date on our classmates, etc.



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**Bob and Susan Martin** - January 23, 2016 at 12:00 AM

KY

“ Rest in peace my friend and classmate. May God bless you and bless your family.



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**Ken Yagi** - January 21, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Pat, I am so very sorry for your loss. George was a really great guy. I'm sorry that I didn't come but I felt it was just too soon for me, especially at the same place. You and Jeremy are in my thoughts and prayers. Love you.



Judy Barbee - January 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Rest in peace, George. We had fun coaching with and against each other. -- Mitch Summerlin



Mitch Summerlin - January 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM

WM

“ Pat, Jeremy, and Kate: Our prayers will be with you at this time of sadness and sorrow. Many fond memories of our years with George Dale, at Tracy High and our elementary school years. And, at our Tracy High reunions. Rest in peace, Dale, and may GOD be with your family and friends. Willie and Barbara ..... Tracy High 1958



Willie and Barbara McGuire - January 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ *rest in peace Dale....i can still remember our days of playing baseball together in the 50's..... u remained a good friend seems like forever....will miss your messages Dale....my sympathy to your family.....RIP my good friend....Cedric*



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**cedric trujillo** - January 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ *GEORGE WILL BE MISS MY ALL OF HIS FRIENDS OF THE CLASS OF 58. WE WILL MISS YOU.*



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**Donald Gillett** - January 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ Pat, Jeremy, and family, Please accept our sincerest condolences on the loss of George. He was a great friend to all of our family. We have so many happy memories of spending time with all of you at picnics, social gatherings, weddings, and funerals. George and Pat was always there. George found the courage to come to my mother's funeral just a few months ago and still had the stamina to encourage us with our sudden loss. We were very lucky to have George and Pat as our friends through the years. I remember taking off one night to Atlanta in George's little two seater sports car. We were going to pick up Ronnie Edney at the Atlanta airport and surprise his family. He was on leave from the Army. George didn't care we were 1 seat short on the trip back that made it more fun. I know George has fought a hard but brave battle. God bless all of you at this time of sorrow. It is my prayer that God wrap his loving arms around you and fill each of you with peace. Grief can be so hard, but cling to those special memories it helps us cope during the difficult days ahead. We will continue to remember George for many years to come. You and the family will continue to be in our thoughts and prayers. Sincerely, Steve Puckett



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**Steve Puckett** - January 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM

EB

“ Thanks a lot .. Miss you in Tulsa Oklahoma....Ed and Loretta Biggs



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**Ed Biggs** - January 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AR

“ God Bless. Dale(as we knew him in School) will be missed. Alan (Class of 1956)



Alan Richards - January 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ Hi Pat & Family, Received email from Willie & Barbara telling us about Dale's passing, we send our prayers for you and the family, we all loved Dale at Tracy Joint Union High School. My brother Arlie Aycock also sends his prayers.



Barbara Quijalvo (Aycock 1958) - January 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ Pat, Jeremy and family I am so sorry for your loss. You all are in my prayers and thoughts. I always looked forward to the Monday morning wake up email. He always made me smile telling on everyone. I love you all



Arlene Moon - January 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ He was a wonderful guy,enjoyed being around him and you Pat at the lunch brunches . Sorry for your loss . Praying for the family .



Sylvia Rice - January 18, 2016 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ *SPATHIPHYLLUM* was sent by Mike Lauck. George Upton family, You are all in my prayers and thoughts. So happy to have known George. Always cracking jokes. God Bless George and family.



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**Mike Lauck** - January 18, 2016 at 12:00 AM