



## Joseph Overton Woodson, III

July 13, 1959 - January 22, 2021

Joseph Overton Woodson, III, age 61, of Priceville, AL passed away on Friday, January 22, 2021.

Born in Midland, TX, and raised in Odessa, TX, Joe was the second youngest of four children. He graduated from Texas Tech University in 1981, with a degree in electrical engineering. After graduating, he began a career at Texas Instruments and during this season met the love of his life, Nita McCalip. They were married on August 27, 1983, and enjoyed 37 inseparable years as each other's best friend.

In 1986, they moved to North Alabama for Joe to begin working with Boeing, which he did for almost his entire career. During his time at Boeing, he also received a master's degree from the Florida Institute of Technology in management and information systems. Joe worked as a test engineer at Boeing and contributed to many projects, including the Fiber Optic Guided Missile Program, the International Space Station Program, Unmanned Ground Vehicles, and the Space Launch System.

Joe was an incredible husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, and friend. He loved his family dearly, and he especially loved exploring God's creation with them. Joe enjoyed hiking, cycling, camping, running, scuba diving, and traveling. He was an active member of First Bible Church in Decatur, AL,

where he served as a deacon.

He is survived by his wife, Nita McCalip Woodson of Priceville; two sons, Adam Woodson (Dakota) of Birmingham, and Ryan Woodson (Lauren) of Nashville, TN; one daughter, Amanda Woodson Bell (Joshua) of Birmingham; one grandson, Nolen Woodson; two granddaughters, Marin Woodson and Jane Woodson; one brother, Andy Woodson (Shirley); and two sisters, Anna Woodson Stone (Nick) of Norman, OK, and Cindy Woodson Pratt (Robin) of Dallas, TX. He was preceded in death by his parents, Joseph Overton Woodson, Jr. and Ann Stewart Woodson.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation in Joe's honor to Compassion International ([compassion.com](http://compassion.com)) or Not Forgotten ([notforgotten.org](http://notforgotten.org)). Visitation will be held at First Bible Church in Decatur, AL from 4:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 27, 2021. Funeral will also be held at First Bible Church on Thursday, January 28, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. Graveside service will be immediately following the funeral at Midway Memorial Gardens, 3740 County Road 434, Moulton, AL 35650.

# Tribute Wall



“ 2 files added to the album David



Shelton Funeral Home - January 14, 2022 at 03:30 PM

TC

“ Joe was an absolute joy to work with at Boeing, and went above and beyond to help me out of a jam even in the weeks just before his retirement. He will be sorely missed. Donations made to the two causes mentioned, though they did not have the option to specify ""In Honor Of."" God Bless You!



Thomas Connelly - January 29, 2021 at 12:00 AM

PA

“ Nita and Family: We were so sorry to hear about Joe. May God comfort all of you in this difficult time. Ronny, Pam and Jeni Abercrombie



Pam Abercrombie - January 29, 2021 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ So very sorry for your loss. Remember your sweet family at 9th st Methodist



Judy Rudell - January 28, 2021 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ Nita, Terrie and I were saddened by the news of Joe's passing. Joe was a true friend and we shared many happy moments during our college years. Please accept our deepest condolences. David and Terrie Mierke.



David & Terrie Mierke - January 27, 2021 at 12:00 AM



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“ Nita, Gloria and I are so very sorry to learn of Joe's death. We have enjoyed watching you and Joe raise your children in a God fearing home at 9th Street, and First Bible, and being the wonderful parents God intended Adam, Ryan, and Amanda, to have. I know you and Joe were best friends and shared your lives together in a spirit of oneness that is so necessary in order to have the type of blessed marriage you enjoyed. Joe was a wonderful person and will be missed by all. I know you have a wonderful support group with your church family and all your children being close by. Gloria and I will be praying for God's warmth and love to cover your entire family during this time.



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**Fred and Gloria Stephens** - January 26, 2021 at 12:00 AM



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