



James Fred Watson, aka "Stick"

September 24, 1939 - March 12, 2023

James Fred Watson, aka "Stick", age 83, of St. Augustine, passed away peacefully in his home on March 12, 2023. He was born in Grayson, Georgia and grew up on Defoor Avenue in Atlanta. He and his wife, Carolyn moved to Marietta, Georgia where they lived and raised their family for 40 years. His career included working for several companies in Atlanta as a credit manager, including Singer Sewing Machine Company. He and Carolyn were members at Floyd Road Baptist Church in Austell Georgia before moving to St. Augustine on June 1, 2018. Fred loved woodworking, fishing, gardening, and his family, and was an avid Georgia Bulldogs fan. Go Dawgs! He also enjoyed playing cards with family and friends, and was a master at Rook.

He is survived by his wife of 61 ½ years, Carolyn Watson; daughters, Tina Wilson (Ken) and Connie Davis (David); brother, Ronald Watson; grandchildren, James Patrick Browne, Casey Browne, Thomas Browne (Katie), Zackery Wilson, Jonathan Davis (Jennifer), Joshua Davis (Spenser) and Hannah Davis. He was blessed with 8 great grandchildren: Lucas, Marcus, Wyatt, John, Elena, Nora, Watson, and Truman. He also had many beloved nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, WD and Donnie Watson and siblings, Peggy Stanich, Billy Watson and Bennie Watson.

A memorial service will be held a later date.

St. Johns Family Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall

PH

“ I had known Freddie and all of the Watson family since we were teenagers. He and Carolyn were often at our house with other friends before they moved to Florida. Freddie was a funny, kind friend, who loved his family.

Peggy

Peggy Hall - November 05, 2023 at 10:36 AM

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“ I grew up in the same neighborhood, on same street with Freddie. Many fond memories and good times together with a large group of guys that had a lot of fun. I was present when Freddie got the name Stick. In Daytona a group of guys went down.

Everyone was at the pool and Freddie was floating on his back. Earl wheeler walked by and said”somebody get that stick out of the water”. It became his nickname❤️

Homer Ellenburg - March 14, 2023 at 10:32 AM

JR

“ I grew up with Tina and Connie and spent many many days and nights at Fred and Carolyn's house. My fondest memories of those times include when we would go to the CB radio "coffee breaks" at a pizza place on Stewart Ave (in the 70's). It seemed that there were a lot of kids and adults and us kids would run wild, play the juke box while the adults sat and talked and laughed. My parents were much older than Fred and Carolyn and I just loved being around them. I always had fun at The Watson's house. Rest easy, Fred. Love to Carolyn, Connie and my oldest dear friend Tina.

Janet Linley Robinson - March 13, 2023 at 07:15 PM

JS

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Jeff Salvo - March 13, 2023 at 05:55 PM

KA

“ I met Fred in 1977 when I was employed by the Singer Sewing Machine Company. He became a very close friend of mine during my years at Singer and all of these years afterwards. I enjoyed his and Carolyn's company on the many Ole Buddies reunions held by Singer for many years after I left the company. Fred was the one that was responsible for me meeting my wife, Glenda and we are still married. I will miss my friend and pray for his family.

Kenneth B. Adams - March 13, 2023 at 04:52 PM

JS

Fred and I worked together at what was kenco service's we became friends we went on two or three fishing trips we enjoyed each other's company he will be missed to Carolyn and the girls Sheila and I are praying for you anything we can do just call. Jeff salvo

Jeff Salvo - March 13, 2023 at 05:45 PM