



## Carroll Gambrell

April 17, 1931 - September 2, 2011

Walhalla, SC—Carroll Gambrell, 80, husband of the late Ginger Drinnon Gambrell, of 804 West Main Street, Walhalla, SC, died Friday, September 2, 2011 at Oconee Medical Center, Seneca, SC.

A native of Oconee County, Mr. Gambrell was the son of the late Robert and Bessie Ritter Gambrell. He was a smoke jumper for the U.S. Forest Service in the 1950's, a member of American Legion Post #124, and was a Mason. Mr. Gambrell had a quiet faith in the Lord but lived a life full of love. He enjoyed storytelling and writing. He was an author and the "Kudzu Corner" columnist for the Seneca Journal. Mr. Gambrell was quite passionate about American History and helped establish Patriots Hall Museum in Walhalla, SC. He also loved music and was a very talented and proficient harmonica player. He was a former member of the Walhalla Civic Auditorium Committee, where he wrote reviews for the plays presented there. He was a graduate of the University of Florida and huge Gator fan.

Mr. Gambrell is survived by son, Forrest Gambrell, of Kernersville, NC; daughter, Erin Kangiser and husband Marty, of Stockbridge, GA; two grandsons, Adam and Ryan Kangiser; and caregiver, friend, and surrogate son, Howard Murray. He is also survived by several nieces, nephews, and a host of other relatives and friends.

In addition to his wife and parents, Mr. Gambrell is preceded in death by his brother Robert R. Gambrell.

A funeral service will be conducted Monday, September 5, 2011, at 2:00 PM at Davenport Funeral Home Chapel, Walhalla, SC, with burial to follow at St. John's Lutheran Church Cemetery.

The family will receive friends on Monday, September 5, 2011 from 1:00 PM-2:00 PM, prior to the service.

In lieu of flowers, monetary donations may be made to: Mission Snuggle, P.O. Box 1544, Stockbridge, GA 30281, or stuffed animals are also accepted.

The family is at their respective homes.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Carroll Gambrell*

January 28, 2023 at 01:03 PM



“ *Carroll became friends with Ray Sink and Ray Prescott in the Paratroopers at Fort Bragg, NC in the 50's. Lost touch for many years but resumed as though no time had passed. He has been inspiration to so many people with health problems. His home filled with love and door was ALWAYS open. Remembering Erin and Forrest in our prayers always.##imported-begin##Ray and Nancy Sink##imported-end##*

September 13, 2011 at 07:22 AM



“ *Carroll was a writing buddy and my funny friend. After reading some of my work he said, "you write like an English teacher, but I still like it." He will be missed, but now he is basking in the love of God and seeing all those loved ones who have gone before him. My condolences to all his family and friends, Ann Coogler##imported-begin##Ann Coogler##imported-end##*

September 10, 2011 at 11:39 PM



“ *Carroll, I visited your grave today. I sat for a while but you didn't offer me a beer or any popcorn. I was then I knew you were truly gone. I will cherish the trips we made, the humor we exchanged. I enjoyed meeting your father and was sorry he died soon after we moved here. Your mother was always - as you would say - "A Sweetie Pie" and I hope that your are with them once again. Say hi to Gussie for me. You are loved and I will sorely miss you.*##imported-begin##Bob Lipscomb##imported-end##

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September 08, 2011 at 05:57 PM



“ *Our time was too short. I wish there could have been many more years of enjoying our friendship.*##imported-begin##Susan Matthews Thigpen##imported-end##

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September 07, 2011 at 12:35 PM



“ *Erin and Forest,*

*You both are in our thoughts and prayers. Your father was a wonderful person and friend. He will be deeply missed. We raise you both up in prayers.*

*Betty and Patsy*

*Liberty Lodge##imported-begin##Betty Dowell and Patsy Sims##imported-end##*

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September 05, 2011 at 04:12 PM



“ I will miss this special man who was a good friend to me and my parents, Phil & Emma Piazza. I will miss his laughter and smile!##imported-begin##Carol Miller##imported-end##

September 05, 2011 at 02:40 PM



“ What a special man! What a loss! He was a good friend to me and my parents, Phil & Emma Piazza. I will miss his smile and laughter!##imported-begin##Carol Miller##imported-end##

September 05, 2011 at 02:36 PM



“ The family of John H Gambrell wish to extend our condolence to the family of John Carroll Gambrell.  
We are so sorry to hear of your loss.  
We will keep you in our prayers and may God bless you.  
  
John H Gambrell and Family##imported-begin##John H Gambrell##imported-end##

September 05, 2011 at 09:53 AM



“ ##imported-begin##The Allen Moore Family##imported-end##

September 04, 2011 at 12:03 PM



“ My prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Reg Tatum##imported-end##

September 04, 2011 at 10:54 AM



“ We didn't know the family, but have loved 'Slim' for many years. He was a Believer, patriot, scholar, gentleman, gifted author and loyal friend. His sense of humor and dedication to the community will be missed.

God bless his family in this loss.

Doug and Kay Deal###imported-begin##Doug and Kay Deal###imported-end##

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September 03, 2011 at 01:59 PM