



Mr. Howard Roger Welfare Jr.

August 12, 1946 - October 31, 2021

Howard Roger Welfare, Jr. was born August 12, 1946 in Winston-Salem, NC to Howard Welfare, Sr. and Mildred Kimel Welfare. He lived on his maternal grandparents' farm (Charles Stanton and Carrie Jones Kimel) until his family moved to Hawthorne Road in Winston-Salem. His sister Carol was born in 1952. He graduated from Spartanburg High in 1964 and Clemson in 1968 with a degree in Metallurgical Engineering. He served in Vietnam from 1969 to 1970. He worked for his father in the metal finishing industry until he retired in 2011.

He married Sharon Elizabeth Atwood on November 30, 1968. When he returned from Vietnam, they moved to Winston, GA where they welcomed Charles Roger "Chuck" and Elizabeth Jane "Beth" to their family. They moved to Tamassee, SC in 1998. He attended Bethel Presbyterian where he served as an elder and enjoyed special friends Charles Galloway, Tom Sandifer and Hoyt Lee.

He loved Clemson, NASCAR, working in the yard, his cats, his family, and his many friends and neighbors. He belonged to a model train club in Central, SC and enjoyed constructing sets and attending meetings. He loved to cook breakfast, and steak and hamburgers on the grill. He always helped by washing dishes. His six grandchildren, Molly and Henry Melvin, Camille, Elise, James and Meredith Welfare, were the light of his life. He enjoyed lake time,

Clemson games, and family meals.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his son, daughter, and their spouses Megan and Mark. He is also survived by his sister Carol Robinson (Jim), their grandson, Damien, their daughter Carrie (Chris) and sons Cohen and Chandler. He is predeceased by his parents, niece Mandy Robinson, cousin Stanton Robertson, friends Tommy Hipp and Amos Dutton, as well as many cousins, aunts and uncles.

A memorial service will be held at 4:00 PM, Thursday, November 4, 2021 at Davenport Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Prisma Health Hospice of the Foothills, Cottingham Hospice, Attn: Foundation Office, 298 Memorial Drive, Seneca, SC 29672; Clemson Life, c/o The Clemson Foundation, PO Box 1889, Clemson, SC 29630; or Bethel Presbyterian Church, PO Box 617, Walhalla, SC 29691.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

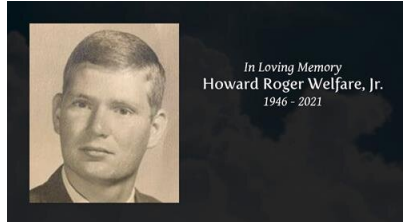
NOV 4. 4:00 PM (ET)

Davenport Funeral Home
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Tribute Wall



“ *Davenport Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Howard Roger Welfare Jr.*



Davenport Funeral Home - November 04, 2021 at 09:53 AM



“ *Mr. Howard Roger Welfare Jr.*

January 28, 2023 at 01:03 PM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this sad time.*



Patricia Holcombe - November 10, 2021 at 10:45 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Howard Roger Welfare Jr..*



November 04, 2021 at 02:34 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Mr. Howard Roger Welfare Jr..*



November 03, 2021 at 07:46 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss. Our prayers and thoughts are with the Welfare Family.*



Gerald, Christa, Andrew & Hannah Howard - November 03, 2021 at 04:44 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Howard Roger Welfare Jr..*



November 03, 2021 at 11:16 AM



“ *Sharon my deepest condolences on the loss of Roger. Olen so appreciated the support of you both while he pastored at Mt View Wesleyan. My prayers for you and family.*

Barbara Hightower - November 03, 2021 at 10:58 AM

BH

“ *Barbara Hightower lit a candle in memory of Mr. Howard Roger Welfare Jr.*



Barbara Hightower - November 03, 2021 at 10:56 AM

WT

“ *Sharon and family .. thinking of you with prayers during this time ..
God Bless
Wanda Thomas
(TDAR)*

Wanda Thomas - November 03, 2021 at 08:03 AM

PH

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this sad time.*



Patricia Holcombe - November 02, 2021 at 07:56 PM

RB

“ *Sharon, you and your family are in my prayers. You were so very faithful in caring for Roger.*



Rosemary Bailes - November 02, 2021 at 06:50 PM

JS

“ Sharon,
I'm so sorry to hear of Roger's passing. My prayers and
condolences to you and your family. May God's grace and strength
guide and comfort you during your time of grieving and beyond 🙏
John Sitton

John Sitton - November 02, 2021 at 05:14 PM

RH

“ So sorry Sharon for you and your family you are in my thoughts and
prayers. We are doing this together!

Runelle Hall - November 01, 2021 at 10:23 PM

RH

“ Runelle Hall lit a candle in memory of Mr.
Howard Roger Welfare Jr.



Runelle Hall - November 01, 2021 at 10:20 PM

LL

“ Deepest Sympathy to this Family. Mr Welfare
was a joy to know on the mail route .Love and
prayers to Sharon in the days ahead.



Louise Lusk - November 01, 2021 at 09:24 PM

BJ

“ *Becky Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Howard Roger Welfare Jr.*



Becky Johnson - November 01, 2021 at 06:48 PM

CA

“ *Charlotte Atkinson purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Mr. Howard Roger Welfare Jr..*



Charlotte Atkinson - November 01, 2021 at 04:07 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Howard Roger Welfare Jr..*



November 01, 2021 at 03:19 PM

AS

“ *Amy & Luke Snow purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Mr. Howard Roger Welfare Jr..*



Amy & Luke Snow - November 01, 2021 at 03:07 PM

JL

“ Joel Melvin and Toni Lovelady purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Mr. Howard Roger Welfare Jr..



Joel Melvin and Toni Lovelady - November 01, 2021 at 02:49 PM

SS

“ I have great memories of living next door to the Welfare's. Roger and Sharon were the best neighbors anyone could ever ask for. They opened their home and welcomed the entire neighborhood on all holidays and special occasions. Roger will be missed and thought of often; especially when Clemson plays. My sincere condolences to the Welfare family.

Shelia Sticher - November 01, 2021 at 02:18 PM

JP

“ Jan Price lit a candle in memory of Mr. Howard Roger Welfare Jr.



Jan Price - November 01, 2021 at 12:24 PM