



James Lewis Machen

July 9, 2010

Mountain Rest, SC—James Lewis Machen, 83, husband of Dr. Sandra Reeves, of P. O. Box 21, Mountain Rest, SC, died Friday, July 09, 2010, at Cottingham Hospice House in Seneca.

A native of Talladega County, AL, Mr. Machen was the son of the late Pell and Effie Wynn Machen. He was a graduate of Jacksonville State University, AL and the University of Georgia. Mr. Machen was a retired teacher, principal and administrator for Hart County Board of Education in Hartwell, GA. He was “Opinions” column writer for the Royston News Leader in 1980s. He was a US Navy veteran, serving in WWII in the South Pacific, Phm 3/C, Amphibious Forces.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Machen is survived by son, Jason Hall Machen of Bowman, GA; two granddaughters, Chastity and Sara Machen of Athens, GA; sister-in-law, Jettie Ogle of Sylacauga, AL; and numerous beloved nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, Mr. Machen was predeceased by his first wife, Vivian Hall; brother, Doyle Machen; and sisters, Dorothy M. Horne and Sara Ann M. Grier.

Funeral services will be conducted at 4:00 p.m., Sunday, July 11, 2010, from

the Chapel of Davenport Funeral Home, Walhalla. Burial will follow in Double Springs United Methodist Church cemetery. Church casual dress, please.

The family will receive friends from 3:00-4:00 p.m., Sunday at the the funeral home prior to the service. Light refreshments will be served in the Fellowship Hall at the church following interment.

The family is at their respective homes.

Memorials are preferred and may be made to Collins Home and Family Ministry, 110 Collins Home Drive, Seneca, SC 29672. Flowers are accepted; potted plants, please.

Tribute Wall



“ *James Lewis Machen*

January 28, 2023 at 01:03 PM



“ *To the family of Mr. Machen: I am deeply sorry for your loss of a good man.*

Mr. Machen was the best teacher that I had. His demeanor has made an impression that has stuck with me since I was in the seventh and eighth grade at Nancy Hart Elem in the late 60's. He taught me enjoy looking up words and investigating meaning of words. He was a great teacher and had such a nice smooth voice-tone.##imported-begin##former student##imported-end##

July 18, 2010 at 11:16 AM



“ Dear Machen family,

Many years ago, I had the pleasure of having Mr. Machen as my principal at Nancy Hart elementary school.

Although only in the first grade, I still remember his kindness. He always had a smile and a warm welcome for us all.

I appreciate the opportunity to thank you for his service to the many students he has touched over the years.

I pray for your peace through Christ.##imported-begin##Pamela Roach##imported-end##

July 15, 2010 at 08:33 PM



“ Sandra and family, it was a pleasure to have taken care of Mr. Machen during his stay at the Hospice House. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time. May God bless you all. Jan##imported-begin##Jan##imported-end##

July 14, 2010 at 07:46 PM



“ Sandra,
I think of you often and your many contributions to the School District of Oconee County.

I am sorry for your loss, but know that Heaven awaits for those who believe.

My thoughts and prayers are with you.##imported-begin##John Kelley##imported-end##

July 13, 2010 at 10:27 PM



“ Sandra and Jason, the folks in Tallapoosa are very saddened at the news of James" passing. We send our love from Jewel Gaines Ward, Bernetta Gaines, Barbara Gaines and several other folks. James was a wonderful friend and a true gem in life ! May you find comfort in the days to come as you will have our prayers and thoughts with you. Thank you for sharing James with us thru the years via cards and notes.

It was a pleasure to have been friends with him.##imported-begin##The Gaines Family##imported-end##

July 11, 2010 at 03:15 PM



“ Our hearts are broken that he has passed, but at the same time, we're relieved that he is at rest, at last. We all know how He loved and adored you Sandra, how he loved and admired you Jason, and how dear his grandchildren were to him. We were privileged to have known him, privileged to share his last name, privileged to call him "cousin"....and honored that he cared for us as well. May God richly bless you and keep you and comfort you in this loss.##imported-begin##Bobbie & Lester Buckner, Bess Machen##imported-end##

July 09, 2010 at 05:49 PM



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

July 09, 2010 at 04:22 PM