

Benjamin “Harold” Quattlebaum, Jr.

March 12, 1932 – October 12, 2026

Benjamin “Harold” Quattlebaum, , passed away at his home in Hoover, Alabama on Monday, October 12, 2026 after a long illness. He was born on , in Jacksonville, Florida .Jimmy was the son of the late Benjamin “Harold” Quattlebaum, Sr. and Violet Hunter Quattlebaum. He grew up in Jacksonville, Florida where he was active in the Boy Scouts, school activities and the Episcopal Church. A devoted father, grandfather and great-grandfather, Harold was full of life and never met a stranger. Harold survived by his wife Betty Jean Prevatt Quattlebaum; two daughters, Chrystal Quattlebaum Pate and Leslie Sherlin Hurd along with his son Michael Fredrick Quattlebaum (Dannie) ; i=his grandchildren, Bryan Sherlin (Kerri), DeAnne Sherlin Wheeler, Shelly Pate Farace (Patrick), Gina Pate Johnson (Michael) and Haley Quattlebaum and his great-grandchildren Lochlin Wheeler, Shayleigh Wheeler, Ivy Wheeler and Korra Wheeler. He was proceeded in death by his parents, Benjamin Harold Quattlebaum, Sr. and Violet Hunter Quattlebaum.

Harold graduated from Andrew Jackson High School in Jacksonville, Florida and attended Jacksonville Junior College. He graduated from Florida State University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Meteorology and went into the Air Force becoming an instructor at Shanute, Illinois Air Forcebase. After serving in the military Harold went on to have a long career with the Federal Government as a Meteorologist in the National Weather Service. Harold was a lead forecaster and deeply involved in severe weather reporting and forecasting for the state of Alabama. The National Weather service selected him to go into severe weather areas to support local weather offices in reporting during severe weather situations such as hurricanes and tornados.

Harold married his wife Betty September, 18, 1954. They moved several times over the years living in Illinois, Alabama, California, Georgia and returning to Birmingham, Alabama in 1972.

Harold loved to travel and family vacations usually involved camping, hiking, swimming and exploring historical site throughout the United States. Upon retiring he and Betty went on extensive vacations throughout the United States.

Harold and his wife Betty joined Church of the Ascension in 1972, and Harold has been described as a “great churchman,” always ready to serve when called upon.Harold, along with Betty, helped start 55th Place, the thrift store that supports community outreach in the Woodlawn area. Harold remained active there until very recently. He also quietly tended to the necessary yard work around the church. In later years, he was a founding member of the Monday Brown Bag Bible Study.

A memorial service will be held Thursday October 29, 2026 1t 2:00pm at Church of the Ascension Episcopal Church, 1912 Canyon Road, Vestavia, AL 35216. A reception immediately following the service will be held at the church. The family is requesting that in leiu of flower donations in honor of Harold Quattlebaum be made to The Church of the Ascension Episcopal Church.