



Arthur "Butch" Benjamin Woody

June 25, 1942 - September 20, 2021

Arthur "Butch" Benjamin Woody, 79, of New Hill, died on Monday, September 20, 2021. Butch was born June 25, 1942 in Palakta, Florida to Felix Sr. and Marion (Atkins) Woody. Butch grew up in Apex, graduated from Apex High School and Kings College and was a lifelong member of Apex Baptist Church. He was an Eagle Scout and later in life, became a Scoutmaster with the Boy Scouts of America. He served in the U.S. Navy for 4 years which included a tour on the USS Independence. He traveled to many countries including the Holy Lands, Pompeii, Italy and Germany. In 1974, he joined the Apex Volunteer Fire Dept. where he served many administrative and officer positions. He was instrumental in hiring the first paid staff and establishing the Explorer club. He was Volunteer of the year in 1992. He passed on his love for firefighting to his son Sean. His hobbies were hunting, fishing and woodworking. Butch could build anything and loved to help others, which was clear in his service to the Handyman Ministry of Apex Baptist Church and the NC Baptist Men's Disaster Relief.

In addition to spending time with family and friends, Butch loved to work in his yard and maintained his beautiful home. He loved woodworking, was a master craftsman and loved helping people with projects. He also enjoyed relaxing on the front porch with a cup of coffee!

Butch is survived by his wife of 31 years, Marion (Kershaw) Woody, his son, Sean Marshall Woody (Emily), Stepsons Bobby Blackford (Ashlie) and Jeffrey Blackford (Catherine), grandchildren, Bryson and Bree Woody, Blake, Catie,

MacKenzie, Talen and Dylan Blackford and J and Tyson Tu. Brothers, Carrol (Patricia) Woody, Dennis (Debbie) Woody and sister, Shirley (Patrick) Donnelly and many nieces and nephews. He also had a special love for his princess, McKenna, her mom, Kari (Blondie) and his favorite lineman, Jordan Allen. He was predeceased by his parents and brother, Felix Woody, Jr. A celebration of Butch's life will be held on Monday, September 27 at Apex Baptist Church. The family will greet friends and relatives at 1:00 p.m. in the Main Street area, with the service following at 2:00 p.m. A graveside service will follow at Apex Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Handyman Ministry at Apex Baptist Church, 110 S. Salem Street, Apex, NC 27502.

The Woody family would like to express their sincere appreciation for all acts of kindness shown to them during this difficult time. Thank you for the outpouring of love, prayers and other contributions. May God bless each of you in a very special way.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **27**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Apex Baptist Church
110 S. Salem St
Apex, NC 27502

Funeral Service

SEP **27**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Apex Baptist Church
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Apex, NC 27502

Tribute Wall



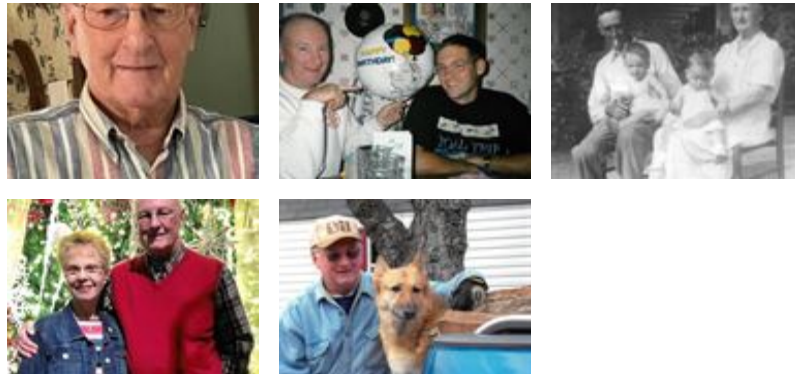
“ *Wake Funeral & Cremation Services, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Arthur "Butch" Benjamin Woody*



Wake Funeral & Cremation Services, Inc. - September 26, 2021 at 07:17 PM



“ *72 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Wake Funeral & Cremation Services, Inc. - September 26, 2021 at 07:00 PM

RA

“ My condolences go out to all the Woody family for the loss of Butch. Marion, my thoughts and prayers are with you. I remember the family from many aspects of my life - neighbors with the Franklins (Edith was my mother's sister), being in high school with members of the family and seeing Butch and Marion at my brother's and sister-in-law's. Also, Marion and Butch were both very helpful numerous times when there was sickness and death in our family. I realize the entire family has been and is going through quite a lot with sickness and now Butch's death. May God bless you all! Ruth Dawson Achurch

Ruth Dawson Achurch - September 25, 2021 at 08:03 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Arthur "Butch" Benjamin Woody.



September 24, 2021 at 12:25 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Arthur "Butch" Benjamin Woody.



September 23, 2021 at 04:28 PM

JD

“ My love and prayers with you, Marion and all the family. Times will be tough, but you will make it.

Joyce Davis - September 23, 2021 at 03:34 PM

ES

“ When I frantically came to ask Art for help with something, no matter how hyped and excited I was, Art's deliberate and careful demeanor enabled me to "change gears" and think about "smelling the flowers." I could count on him. And so could everyone else.
Ed Samulski

Ed Samulski - September 23, 2021 at 02:58 PM

KY

“ My son Fred Young worked for Art. Art was always good to Fred. My condolences to his family. RIP
Kathie Young

Kathie Young - September 23, 2021 at 01:09 PM

RH

“ I'll always remember Art's willingness to drop everything and help. He had a relaxed and jovial air about him that always put everyone at ease. I know he's going to be missed by a lot of people and I'm especially going to miss seeing him at our departmental Christmas parties.

Ralph House - September 23, 2021 at 12:30 PM

JF

“ Art was always a pleasure to talk to when we would pass each other in the hallways of the Chemistry department. He was a sweet and kind soul who has been missed since he left the department when he retired. Sending prayers to his sweet wife and all of his family and friends. May he rest in peace.



Jill Fallin - September 23, 2021 at 11:26 AM

TP

My prayers go out to you Marion at this most difficult time. He sure sounded like a great guy .

Teresa Parrish - September 23, 2021 at 12:46 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Arthur "Butch" Benjamin Woody.*



September 23, 2021 at 09:15 AM

JG

“ *Honoring a true servant who illuminated love in our community and beyond. Our love, prayers, and support to family. God bless.*
Jacques K Gilbert

Jacques K Gilbert - September 23, 2021 at 09:02 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Arthur "Butch" Benjamin Woody.*



September 22, 2021 at 11:35 PM



“ *Love's Tapestry was purchased for the family of Arthur "Butch" Benjamin Woody.*



September 22, 2021 at 11:29 PM



“ *Apex & New Hill lost a treasure of a man. We will all miss Butch. Praying for comfort for everyone.*

Carl and Pat Helton

Pat Helton - September 22, 2021 at 10:41 PM



“ *Sending love and prayers to all the family. J D and Sandra Denson*

Sandra Denson - September 22, 2021 at 08:11 PM