



Mr. Reginald Edwin Kea Sr.

September 15, 1927 - July 21, 2013

Reginald Edwin Kea, Sr., beloved husband of 66 years of Dorothy Jeffords Kea, passed away July 21, 2013, at age 85. Born on September 15, 1927, he was the eldest son of the late Harry Edwin Kea, Sr., and Sybil Woodham Kea. He attended public school in Oates, South Carolina, and served in the United States Maritime Service for the Department of Commerce. In 1966 he became a member of the Patesville Masonic Lodge #295 and served as Grand Master for many years. He became a member of The Omar Shriners in 1975 and continued to serve both organizations in various capacities until the time of his death.

He joined Mt. Elon Baptist Church in Lydia, South Carolina after he and Dorothy were married in 1946, where he served as a Sunday School teacher, on the Board of Deacons, in the choir and on the committee to record and deliver tapes of services to shut-ins. He was a faithful and dedicated member of Mt. Elon Baptist Church.

He retired from E. I. DuPont de Nemours in Lugoff-Elgin after 33 years of service. After his retirement he became an avid golfer and had the opportunity to play many great courses with his loyal foursome.

In addition to his wife, Dorothy Grace, he is survived by three daughters, Dottie (Clifton LaFoye) Reynolds of Sumter, Betty (Jim) Skoler of West Columbia, Deborah(Jimmy)Ham of Lamar, and one son, Reggie, Jr. (Diane) Kea of Chester, Virginia; eight grandchildren, Tori Kea, Gabe Reynolds, Kari Mahek, Amanda Gardner, Josh Kea, Kristen Dorriety, Jason Skoler and

Christopher Kea and eight great-grandchildren; two step granddaughters, Jennifer Griggs and Catherine Fail and one step grandchild, Ian Fail; three brothers, Harry, Jr. (Milford) Kea of Columbia, Jerry (Elma Lou) Kea of Sumter and Larry (Claudia) Kea of West Columbia, and numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to his mother and father, he was predeceased by one brother, Rupert Kea and two sisters, Vivian Kea Beasley and Carolyn Kea Connor. The family will receive friends at Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home in Hartsville Tuesday, July 23, 2013, 5:00-7:00 p.m., and at other times at the home, 3736 Indian Branch Road. Services will be held at Mt. Elon Baptist Church in Lydia on Wednesday, July 24, 2013, at 3:00 p.m. Burial will follow in the Mt. Elon Baptist Church Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to a charity of one's choice. The family wishes to express its sincere thanks to Dr. Fripp Ducker for his exceptional care for the past six years and to the caring nursing staff on the Ninth Floor at McLeod Medical Center Pavilion during this past week.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Elon Baptist Church Cemetery

1132 West Lydia Highway
Hartsville, SC 29550

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **23.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home
306 W. Home Ave.
Hartsville, SC 29550
(843) 332-6531
info@bpafuneralhome.com
<http://www.bpafuneralhome.com>

Service

JUL **24.** 3:00 PM (ET)

Mt. Elon Baptist Church
1132 West Lydia Highway
Hartsville, SC 29550

Tribute Wall

AA

“ AJ Asaro lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reginald Edwin Kea Sr.



AJ Asaro - July 25, 2013 at 06:50 AM

AA

Regge, There are no words to make this time better for you but God will help you thru it! Love You Buddy!
Tori, I Love You Sweet Girl!

AJ Asaro - July 25, 2013 at 06:53 AM

LS

“ Miss Dorothy, Deborah and family: I was so saddened when Wanda called me tonight to tell me of Mr. Kea's passing. I recalled my many visits back home to Mt. Elon; I always looked forward to my hugs from him and you, Miss Dorothy. What a beautiful testimony of love to have been married for so many years. You will remain in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time; may you be comforted though, as he is singing in the heavenly choir with all the others from his beloved church who have gone before. If there is anything at all that I can do, please know that I am only a phone call away. Love, Linda and Wanda (Haney)



Linda Haney Summerford - July 24, 2013 at 08:38 PM



“ Jerry Kea Jr. lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reginald Edwin Kea Sr.



Jerry Kea Jr. - July 23, 2013 at 05:10 PM



*“Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. In my Father’s house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. And you know the way to where I am going.”
(Jesus’ words)*

John 14:1-4

Jerry Kea Jr. - July 23, 2013 at 05:11 PM

GB

“ Had the privilege of meeting Reggie at Fox Creek Golf Course years ago. He was a true southern gentleman and will be greatly missed by those who knew and loved him. My prayers are with his family and friends,

gloria butler - July 23, 2013 at 02:17 PM

EJ

“ Ethel James Johnson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Reginald Edwin Kea Sr.



Ethel James Johnson - July 23, 2013 at 10:56 AM

EJ

Ms. Dorothy, Dottie, Betty, Deborah, Reggie and extended Family..I was so saddened to read of Mr. Reginald's passing. Your family has always had a special place in my heart and Mr. Reginald & Ms. Dorothy were good friends to my parents..I know Mama & Daddy were there to greet their friend and now are catching up..Please know that you are not in this alone..There are always "Footprints In The Sand", actually 2 sets now..Your family will be in my thoughts and prayers..

Ethel James Johnson

Ethel James Johnson - July 23, 2013 at 11:10 AM

JJ

“*Reggie and Diane, Mrs. Kea and family: God bless you and be with you as you continue your journey here on earth with Mr. Kea watching over you. You could not ask for a better angel.*

*Our condolences and love,
Jessy and Julie*



Jessy and Julie - July 23, 2013 at 10:02 AM

JG

“*To Dottie, Cliff, Ms. Dorothy and family. May the Lord give you His perfect peace and comfort your hearts in this time of mourning such a kind and loving man as Mr. Reginald. I will always remember his kindness and his faith in the Lord.*

Joann and Robert Groover

Joann and Robert Groover - July 23, 2013 at 09:33 AM

DG

“ *Diane And Dennis Gardner lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reginald Edwin Kea Sr.*



diane and dennis gardner - July 22, 2013 at 10:16 PM

JG

“ *JEWEL WALTERS GIBSON lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reginald Edwin Kea Sr.*



JEWEL WALTERS GIBSON - July 22, 2013 at 04:14 PM

WD

“ *Wallace And Betty Van Deusen lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reginald Edwin Kea Sr.*



Wallace and Betty Van Deusen - July 22, 2013 at 04:07 PM



“ *I know your at the clubhouse drinking a cold one after playing the best 18 rounds you've ever had! Love you Uncle Reginald...keep the clubs ready and I'll see you when I see you!*

Jerry Kea Jr. - July 22, 2013 at 04:07 PM

TE

“ *Ted & Kay Evans lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reginald Edwin Kea Sr.*



Ted & Kay Evans - July 22, 2013 at 03:33 PM

BR

“ *To Dottie Reynolds and all of Brother Kea's many friends and family we offer our condolences.*

*John Reames
Secretary
Sumter Lodge No 364 AFM*

Brother John Reames - July 22, 2013 at 03:05 PM

BS

“ *Brother John D Reames, Sr lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reginald Edwin Kea Sr.*



Brother John D Reames, Sr - July 22, 2013 at 02:23 PM

CS

“ *Charles & Pat Shaw lit a candle in memory of Mr. Reginald Edwin Kea Sr.*



Charles & Pat Shaw - July 22, 2013 at 11:20 AM

PJ

“ *Pat-Robert James lit a candle in memory of
Mr. Reginald Edwin Kea Sr.*



Pat-Robert James - July 22, 2013 at 08:53 AM