



Mr. Robert Crump Corning Jr.

December 6, 1937 - March 29, 2023

It is with deep sorrow that Betty Keels Corning announces the death of her beloved husband, Robert Crump Corning Jr., 85.

Mr. Corning entered into rest on Wednesday, March 29, 2023. The Directors of Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home are caring for the family.

A funeral service to honor his life will be held at 11 o'clock on Monday, April 3, 2023, in St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church. The Rev. Michael Bye and The Rev. William D. Oldland will officiate, and the family will receive friends immediately following the service. A private entombment will be held in the Memory Garden.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in his honor to St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, 103 Campus Drive, Hartsville, SC 29550.

Bob was born in Wilmington, NC, on December 6, 1937. His parents were Robert C. and Anna Parsons Corning. He was a graduate of Woodberry Forest and N.C. State University.

His career with Sonoco Products Co. led him around the world, and he and his wife lived and worked in Puerto Rico for five years. After retiring, he and his wife were sent to Bogota, Colombia, by the International Executive Service

Corps to share his ideas with a company needing assistance.

He was a faithful and active member of St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, where he served on the Vestry, and was Junior Warden and Senior Warden. He was on the Board of Directors for York POlace, an Episcopal Home for Children, and Still Hopes, an Episcopal Retirement Residence. He also served on the Hartsville Community Center Building Commission and was Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Hartsville Interfaith Ministries for several years.

In addition to his wife, Betty Keels Corning, he is survived by his sister-in-law, Gayle Keels Bell; a special niece, Elizabeth Bell (Frank Cisa); nephews, Gene (Haley) Bell, Jeff (Lisa Bell, and Thad (Lena) Bell; several great-nieces and great-nephews.

The family is grateful for the wonderful people who cared for him, Rhonda Hoffman, Anita Williams, Chantel Allsbrook, Sheila Milton, and Chasity Benjamin.

Cemetery Details

Saint Bartholomew's Episcopal Church Prayer Garden

103 Campus Drive
Hartsville, SC 29550
(843) 332-8765

Previous Events

Funeral Service

APR 3. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church
102 Campus Drive
Hartsville, SC 29550

Tribute Wall

TL

“ *Tru and Ed Lawton*



Tru Lawton - April 07, 2023 at 05:09 PM

DG

“ *Deborah Gandy lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Crump Corning Jr.*



Deborah Gandy - April 07, 2023 at 07:39 AM

GM

“ *Betty, Goode and I send our most sincere condolences to you. We will remember you in our prayers.*

Gail Mobley - April 03, 2023 at 07:15 PM

LW

“ *Letitia Ward lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Crump Corning Jr.*



Letitia Ward - March 31, 2023 at 03:59 PM

AW

“ Prayers and Love for my neighbors.



Anna Williams - March 31, 2023 at 09:29 AM

KL

“ Kathy Lawhon lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Crump Corning Jr.



Kathy Lawhon - March 30, 2023 at 10:28 PM

CB

“ Carol Elmore Bryant lit a candle in memory of Mr. Robert Crump Corning Jr.



carol elmore bryant - March 30, 2023 at 07:34 PM

CB

Betty: I am so sorry for your loss of Bob. I am thinking of you with love and sending prayers. Blessings, Carol

carol elmore bryant - March 30, 2023 at 07:35 PM

KW

I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Mr. Corning. You will be in my thoughts and prayers.

Kaye W Watford - March 31, 2023 at 10:22 AM

BC

Betty, Am so saddened to hear the news of Bobby's passing. Know the North Carolina Cornings send love to you at this difficult time. You are surely in our thoughts and prayers.

Beth Corning, Mary Jane Rosenbaum Corning, and Avery IV

Beth Corning - April 01, 2023 at 02:38 PM

FJ

Betty, deepest sympathy for your loss. Though I did not know him as well as I would have wished, he was a very intelligent, successful executive with Sonoco, Inc. One of my golf partners here in Mt. Pleasant who worked with Bob at Sonoco spoke very highly of his executive skills. What mattered to me most was how beautiful your marriage was. Rest in peace, Bob, you've earned it.

Forrest (Woody) Keels Jr. - April 02, 2023 at 11:24 AM

MC

*Betty,
Edward let us know Sunday night that Bob had passed away. You and Bob were the best next door neighbors and my parents always loved your visits back and forth. You were a big part of our lives in Hartsville. Lynch and I send our condolences and much love during this sad time.
Melanie Fort Christian*

Melanie Christian - April 04, 2023 at 09:46 PM

PL

Betty, I've just seen that Bob has passed. I am sorry for your loss. It is always hard to lose those we love, even for a while. He was very special to Duncan and was considered a good friend. My best wishes for you and prayers for your comfort. Pam Watson Coker Lichty

Pam Lichty - April 05, 2023 at 10:03 PM