



Gen. Warner Seymour Goodwin, Jr., US ARMY (RET.)

July 10, 1925 - November 17, 2023

Warner S. Goodwin, Jr., Brigadier General (U.S. Army, Retired), 98, of Florence, SC, died on Friday, November 17, 2023.

He was born in Raleigh, NC on July 10, 1925, to the late Warner S. Goodwin and the late Lillian Mae Pike Goodwin. General Goodwin attended Broughton High School in Raleigh and was drafted in the U.S. Marine Corps in 1943. In 1946 he attended N.C. State University in Raleigh and graduated in 1951 with a degree in Civil Engineering. He received a Regular Army commission and retired in 1978 after 30 years of service to his country. General Goodwin earned a Masters Degree from George Washington University in International Affairs. He was a member of Wesley United Methodist Church of Hartsville, SC.

General Goodwin is survived by his two daughters, Susan G. Kent of Springfield, VA, and Gail G. Vance of Florence, SC; several grandchildren; and a niece and nephew.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Margaret T. Goodwin; and his brother, Charles L. Goodwin.

A graveside service with full military honors will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, December 1, 2023, in the Florence National Cemetery.

Memorials may be made in his honor to Wesley United Methodist Church, 145 E. College Ave., Hartsville, SC 29550.

The Directors of Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home and Crematory are caring for the family.

Cemetery Details

Florence National Cemetery

1001 Stockade Road
Florence, SC 29506

Previous Events

Graveside

DEC 1. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

TG

“ I am just learning of Warner's passing. Warner was a great guy and he will be missed! I feel honored to have know him of the last several years. Prayers for his family!

Tom Goodson

Tom Goodson - November 26, 2023 at 08:00 PM

EC

“ Gail and Susan,
When we moved to Hartsville in 1989 next door to Margaret and Warner, they adopted us as "friends" from Missouri & Indiana. We loved both of them from the beginning. They were great friends always including us in their wonderful parties, introducing us to others in Hartsville, attending Vangie's little churches in McBee and helping us adopt to leaving our family in Missouri. We enjoyed visiting them when they moved to Methodist Manor where they continued to entertain us with small lunches and inviting other Methodist friends. We moved to Indiana and after Margaret died, Warner continued to keep in touch with us, writing cards and letters. He was a great man in so many ways, a true Southern gentleman who served his country well, always generous, leaving fresh from the tree pecans, on our porch (for example). They both always made us feel "special".

You are both in our prayers as you morn the death of your beloved father.

*Ron & Rev. Vangie Cannon
retired in Indiana*

Evangeline Cannon - November 20, 2023 at 10:27 AM

CB

“ Tom and I are so very sorry for your loss. You have our deepest sympathy. Love, Cecelia

Cecelia D Brown - November 20, 2023 at 09:53 AM

HC

“ Enjoyed getting to know Mr. and Mrs. Goodwin was truly a treat. They worked several years as poll workers for me. They were dedicated people. Mr. Warner lived a full life.

Hoyt Campbell

Hoyt Campbell - November 19, 2023 at 07:40 PM

AW

“ Dear Gail, Your Mom and Dad were such special people. I loved visiting them when they lived in Hartsville. Having waffle night. Bless your Dad. A brave soldier. Thank you General for your service ❤️🇺🇸
love, Anna

Anna Williams - November 18, 2023 at 08:38 PM

GV

Thank you Anna-you did mean such to us and had a lot of laughs!!

gail vance - November 19, 2023 at 08:12 AM

JB

I don't know you but I want to give my high respects to the General for the service he done for his , our country so that we could have our freedom. A job well done. Your job on earth is finished also , God has called you home. I salute you General.

Judy Bryant - November 19, 2023 at 09:28 AM

EB

I am so sorry for your loss. He had a long life and I'm sure you have wonderful memories.

Edie Biro - November 22, 2023 at 03:03 PM