

SOUTHEASTERN LOCAL MEETING GROUP

JOYS AND CONCERNS

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In Memorium

John Earl Martin (Sept 27, 2016) John lived in Stone Mountain, GA. He was born in Picher, OK the son of the late John Thomas and Pearl Likins Martin.

Mr. Martin was an Army Veteran of WWII and Korea. He retired from J C Penney as a manager.

Survivors include his wife Martha Hamilton Martin of Stone Mountain; his daughters, Martha Martin Kennedy of Scottdale and Maureen Denham of Norcross; his sons, Wade P. Martin of Buford and James Michael Martin of Salem, SC; his grandchildren, Farrill King, Scarlett Spears, Travis Martin, Martha Kennedy, Karlene Kennedy, and Emily Kennedy; his great grandchildren, Gianna Dominguez and Preston Spears

Graveside inurnment in Floral Hills Memory Gardens on Friday, September 30, 2016 at 2 pm.

W. Allen Daggett (May 1, 2018) Allen was of Knoxville. Allen Daggett was born on August 26th, 1935 in Kearney, Nebraska to Wayne F. and Lana Zehr Daggett. Allen was a proud graduate of the University of Nebraska where he was the President of the Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity and a faithful Cornhusker’s football fan.

Allen had a dry wit and enjoyed making people laugh. He spent his career as an Executive with the JC Penney Company which took him and his family of four children all over the Midwest, with stints in New York, Virginia, and Florida as well.

Allen was a man who savored life and understood that it was meant to be lived to the fullest. He was a loyal friend, a loving husband and father, and a proud grandfather to his eight granddaughters. He loved learning and was immensely curious. He spent his retirement having a second career of sorts investing his personal portfolio to great success. Some of his favorite memories were spent sailing the Chesapeake Bay with his wife and friends and yearly trips to Figure 8 Island in North Carolina with his granddaughters. He could usually be found on the golf course or with a cigar and a glass of wine in his hand. He and his wife spent their retirement years in Savannah, Georgia watching the sun go down over the marsh and enjoying time with friends and family.

Allen is preceded in death by his beloved wife Judith Hope, his parents, sister Dawn Barger, and son Christopher Jon Daggett.

He will be greatly missed by all who had the privilege of knowing him. His family is grateful for every second spent with him and for his patient way of making you feel loved and known when you were with him. Thank you to the wonderful staff at Northshore Senior Living and UT Hospice Care for taking such wonderful care of Allen and for giving his remaining time meaning and dignity. But most of all, thank you Allen for the man that you were, we celebrate your life today with immense gratitude and look forward to the day we will see you again.

Allen is survived by his brother Robert, son Scott, daughters Ann Daggett Mashburn (Sid) and Hope Daggett Davis (Scott), and his granddaughters Elizabeth, Meghan, Louisa, Sarah, Daisy, Anna, Harriet, and Pauline.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests you consider a donation in Allen's memory to Alzheimer's TN. Family and friends will gather at 3pm on Friday, May 4 at The Episcopal Church of the Ascension for a Memorial Service with Receiving of Friends to follow. The Very Reverend Brett Backus officiating. To send flowers or a memorial gift to the family of W. Allen Daggett please visit our [Sympathy Store](#).

John Robert Tadlock, Sr. (January 15, 2017) John was 93 and resided in Hattiesburg. He died Sunday, January 15, 2017 at the Mississippi State Veterans Home in Collins. He passed away peacefully with his three children by his side.

He is survived by his children, Paula Jennings (Ralph) of New York City, John R. Tadlock, Jr. (Kathy) of Decatur, Al. And Toni Floyd (Steve) of Hattiesburg and two sisters, Christine Gaskin and Betty Daigre. He was a loving "GrandTad" to seven grandchildren: Alma Jennings, Matthew Jennings, Lawrence Tadlock, Maggie Tadlock, Forrest Floyd, Chase Floyd, and Ali Floyd. He was preceded in death by his wife, Joyce Pittman Tadlock (see obituary below), and his parents, Lawrence and Inez Tadlock.

Mr. Tadlock grew up on a farm in Scott County, in Homewood, Mississippi. He graduated in 1941 from Homewood High School and moved to Hattiesburg at the age of 18, where he began working for Kress Department Store in downtown Hattiesburg. The JC Penney manager noticed his hard work and hired him away from Kress, thus beginning a long career with JC Penney's.

He joined the service in 1943, rising to Staff Sergeant and served in England and France during World War II. He returned after the war to Hattiesburg to JC Penney's, where he met the former Joyce Pittman while he was making a sale to her in the shoe department. They fell in love and were married in 1947. His hard work paid off as he would eventually become Manager of several JC Penney stores throughout the south, living in La Grange, Georgia, Rocky Mount, N.C., High Point, N.C., Martinsville, Virginia, and Concord, N.C.

The Tadlocks returned to Hattiesburg in 1971 where he became involved in the city and business community. Mr. Tadlock was an insurance broker for Primerica and worked along with his wife in the real estate industry in their business, Joyce Tadlock Realtors, for over 40 years, until he retired at the age of 89. Mr. Tadlock was a member of Main Street United Methodist Church, and was active in the Hattiesburg community, serving as member and officer in numerous clubs and organizations, including the American Legion, Freemasons, Rotary Club, United Way, president of Mississippi Retail Merchants Association, and Sales and Marketing Executive International. Mr. Tadlock received many awards for his outstanding community service and promotion of Hattiesburg, including being named the Ambassador of The Year for the Hattiesburg Chamber of Commerce, Director for the Alpha Association, President's Silver Award for Achievement for Sales Marketing Executives, and was named a Paul Harris Fellow for The Rotary Foundation International. One of the highlights of his recent years was being chosen among World War II veterans to take the Honor Flight to Washington, D.C. to tour the war memorials.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, memorial donations be made to the Alzheimer's Association of Mississippi or the Veteran's Outreach of MS, 15 Pritchett Dr., Collins, MS 39428. Funeral was held on Wednesday, January 18, 2017 with burial in Highland Cemetery.

Joyce Tadlock (October 6, 2016) She was 87 and resided in Hattiesburg. She died October 6, 2016 at Magnolia Place Assisted living. She passed away peacefully with her three children by her side.

Joyce is survived by her husband, John R. Tadlock, Sr. of Hattiesburg; her children, Paula Jennings (Ralph) of New York City, John R. Tadlock, Jr. (Kathy) of Decatur, Ala. and Toni Floyd (Steve) of Hattiesburg, and one brother, Edwin Lloyd Pittman of Jackson. She was a loving Nana to seven grandchildren: Alma Jennings, Matthew Jennings, Lawrence Tadlock, Maggie Tadlock, Forrest Floyd, Chase Floyd, and Ali Floyd. She was preceded in death by her parents, Lloyd and Pauline Pittman; a sister, Mary Ann Francis; and two brothers, Kelly Lamar Pittman and Reid "Buddy" Pittman.

Joyce was a stay-at-home mom for thirty years before becoming a real estate agent in 1976 with Colonial Realty. A few years later, she opened her own real estate agency, Joyce Tadlock Realty, where she worked until the age of 82. She loved her family, the city of Hattiesburg, and the many agents and clients she worked with over her career. Joyce was a member of Main Street United Methodist Church.

Joyce's service was October 10, 2016 with burial at the Highland Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to Alzheimer's Association of Mississippi, alz.org.