



Edward Lamour Ford, Sr.

March 3, 1951 - March 5, 2022

Edward Ford, 71, of Hinesville, Georgia answered the Master's call on Saturday, March 5, 2022.

He was born on March 3, 1951 in Alachua, FL to Rollar and Jessie Mae (Lewis) Ford. Mr. Ford was a graduate of Santa Fe High School. He enlisted in the United States Army and obtained the rank of E7. While serving in the Army , he was awarded The Army Achievement Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Bronze Star Medal, Army Good Conduct Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal, NCO Professional Development Ribbon with numeral 3, National Defense Service Medal with one Bronze T.

Over the course of time, Mr. Ford obtained his Associate's degree. He taught at Bradwell Institute for over 25 years, where he retired as girls basketball coach and football coach. He was a proud member of Tru Soldiers Bike Group of Hinesville, GA, and proudly rode his Harley Soft Tail.

Mr. Ford also taught JROTC at Bradwell Institute and was a member of St. Luke AME Church.

He is preceded in death by his parents, siblings, Lee Thomas Ford, Jerome Ford, Ella Louise Young, and Betty Jean Ford.

Precious memories will linger in the hearts of; his wife, Dr. Grace Ford, DeFuniak Springs, FL; sons, Eric Ford and Edward Ford, Jr., both of Alachua, FL, and Erick Ford, Crawfordville, GA; daughters, LaTraya Ford and Elesia Ford, both of Alachua, FL, Erika Powell, Gainesville, FL, and Kristie Boyd, DeFuniak Springs, FL; siblings, Donald Lee Ford, Ronald Ford, and Tobaris Fields, all of Alachua, FL, Leola Bell Ford, Christine Howard, and Joyce Mae Ford, all of Alachua, FL; aunt, Norris Mae Robinson, Alachua, FL; numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, and caring friends.

Visitation for Mr. Ford will be Friday, March 11, 2022, from 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM at St. Luke AME Church, 14950 NW US Highway 441, Alachua, FL 32615.

Funeral Services will be held on Saturday, March 12, 2022 at 11:00 AM at Upper Room Church Of God in Christ, 3575 NE 15th Street, Gainesville, FL 32609, Superintendent Karl Anderson and District Missionary Pearlle Shelton, Pastors, with Rev. Mikel James, Officiating. Interment will follow in Mt. Nebo Cemetery.

Due to COVID-19, all in attendance are asked to please wear a facial covering.

Family and friends are asked to meet at 10:00 AM, at the home of his daughter, LaTraya Ford, 13610 NW 147th Avenue, Alachua, FL 32615 to form the Cortege.

Arrangements Entrusted to the Care of Chestnut Funeral Home. Cards may be sent to 18 NW 8th Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32601. To order floral arrangements, please visit ww.chestnutfh.com/obituary/edwardford. Any questions may be directed to 855-5-CHESTNUT. "A CHESTNUT SERVICE"

Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album *Obituary Wall*



Chestnut Funeral Home - March 14, 2024 at 10:52 AM

SK

“ SFC Ford you were a great mentor of mine. You molded not only my self, but many others on their paths on joining the military. You will be missed dearly. Thank you for your service and everything you did. May God open his gates for you with open arms.

Shane kim - March 16, 2022 at 12:00 AM

AE

“ Edward will be truly missed by the ROTC students at Bradwell Institute. Grace and family; I'm so sorry for your loss. My prayers and condolences to you and your family.



Audrey Ellis - March 13, 2022 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ From Old Town Church of God In Christ- Lead Servant Pastor Ted Welcome

Tribute Store - March 11, 2022 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Laying rest to a great man whom raised great children. To my brother Edward Ford II, my/our heart goes out to you and the family.

Joshua Haywood and Family - March 11, 2022 at 12:00 AM

PG

“ Sincere condolences to the family. I will always remember the conversations we shared overs 20 years motivating young people to better citizens, what a time my friend, what a time!

Pettiford, G.M. - March 11, 2022 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ My sincere condolences to the Ford's. Ed was the best JROTC Instructor....bar none. His ability to impact the future through his unique teaching style will never be forgotten. I will always remember the good times we shared together with the kids in school, during drill practice, on Friday evenings at the football games and at Summer Camp. RIP my friend....you are not forgotten. James R. Wagner

jim - March 11, 2022 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ Condolences and prayers to the Ford Family. SFC Ford was very instrumental in our daughter's JROTC program at BI, a great instructor, and nice person.

Larry, Sharon&Sharhonda Clayton - March 10, 2022 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ My condolences to the Ford Family. It was truly a joy to work with Sgt Ford at Bradwell Institute. He was a phenomenal teacher who brought joy and encouragement to many students. I enjoyed talking to him because he would keep me laughing and give an encouraging word of comfort.

Marsha Twiggs - March 10, 2022 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ My deepest condolences to the family! Bro Ford & I worked together @Bradwell in the JROTC program, and we had a phenomenal working relationship. He taught me so much about living in the moment & not to take yourself too seriously. His stories and jokes are legendary! I'm definitely going to miss my "big brother"! May his soul rest in heavenly peace. Until we meet again 🙌

Shawn L. Boone - March 09, 2022 at 12:00 AM

GB

“ My deepest condolences to the family. I had the pleasure of working with him (same profession, different school) as a JROTC Instructor. We kept in touch after retirement as we would call one another and just catch up. I learned a lot from him and will truly miss him; may he rest in peace.

George Bryant - March 09, 2022 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ From your loving friends at Bits & Bridles Equestrian Club. Mr. Ford left a lasting legacy, and he will be sorely missed.

Courtney Due, BBEC President and BBEC Members - March 09, 2022 at 12:00 AM

GB

“ Gladys Bacon The Sew Express Hinesville,ga We deeply sorry for your lost. We had the pleasure knowing Mr Ford a long time though friendship and work. Prayers are sent to all the family.

Gladys bacon - March 09, 2022 at 12:00 AM

RV

“ Please accept my sincerest condolences. I had the pleasure of working, laughing and sharing war stories with "GATOR". I'm going to miss him. Rest in peace my friend. Roland VanHorn, Hinesville, GA, Bradwell Institute.

Roland VanHorn - March 09, 2022 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ With heartfelt condolences,

CSG Family - March 09, 2022 at 12:00 AM