



George "Buddy" Milton Higginbotham

November 26, 1932 - July 4, 2017

George "Buddy" Milton Higginbotham, the people's lawyer, passed away on July 4, 2017 in Bessemer, Alabama at the age of 84. Survived by wife, of 61 years Jane Custred Higginbotham; daughter, Elizabeth Higginbotham Smith (Steven); daughter, Charlotte Higginbotham Monk (Tom); son, Steven Douglas Higginbotham (Joann); five grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Preceded in death by parents, George Hamilton Higginbotham & Anne Tumlin Higginbotham sister, Jean Foster Dial. Survived by brother, Patrick Higginbotham.

United States Navy Guam, U.S.S. Kearsarge (1951-1955), Bachelor of Science, Birmingham-Southern College (1958), L.L.B. University of Alabama Law School (1961), law practice Bessemer (1961-2017). State Bar Commissioner for 20 years. He protected the rights of those with no voice and no money, fighting discrimination at every turn.

Service Saturday, July 8, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. at Bessemer Brown Service Funeral Home followed by burial at Elmwood Cemetery, 600 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, Birmingham, Alabama 35211. The family will receive friends Saturday from 10:00 a.m. until service time at the funeral home.

Tribute Wall

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Stephen Michael Smith "Grandson" - September 17, 2021 at 11:02 AM

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Joyce Cahela - July 12, 2017 at 10:32 PM

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Stephen Michael Smith "Grandson" - July 07, 2017 at 06:12 PM