



Mr. John Crues Bell Jr.

January 9, 1928 - April 16, 2020

Private graveside funeral services for Mr. John Crues Bell, Jr., 92, who entered into rest on Thursday, April 16, 2020, will be held on Saturday, April 18, 2020, at the Bishopville Presbyterian Church. The Rev. Chris Parnell will officiate, and Hancock-Elmore-Hill Funeral Home is caring for the family.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in his honor to Bishopville Presbyterian Church, 215 South Main Street, Bishopville, SC 29010.

Mr. Bell was the son of the late John Crues and Carmen Pound Bell of Inman and Spartanburg, SC. Born in Roanoke, AL, he attended elementary and high school in Inman, SC, and was a graduate of Presbyterian College, Class of 1947. He also did graduate study at Georgia Tech. His career in textile finishing began with Pacific Mills, Lyman, SC, and with Reeves Brothers Finishing Division in Bishopville, SC, where he retired as General Manager in 1992, after 34 years of service.

Mr. Bell served as elder and Clerk of Session in the Bishopville Presbyterian Church. He served on the Board of Visitors at Presbyterian College and held many civic and honorary positions in Bishopville and Lee County. He was a member of the Bishopville Country Club and enjoyed golf with his friends.

He is survived by his wife of 70 years, Doris Bird Bell; daughter, Judy (Albert)

Oliphant of Rock Hill, SC, Cindy (Green) DesChamps of Bishopville, SC; son, John Crues (Renee) Bell III of Bishopville, SC; sister, Kathleen Townsend of Edenton, NC. He was a proud grandfather of seven grandchildren, John Crues (Paige) Bell IV, Catherine Bell (Blake) Smith, Bryant Calcutt "Cally" (Ally) Bell, Julia DesChamps (Barrett) Burley, William Green (Ashley) DesChamps IV, Albert Drane (Anne) Oliphant IV, Joan Oliphant (Brian) Boyer; twelve great-grandchildren. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Ben Bell of Florence, SC.

Due to the Coronavirus Pandemic, there will be a memorial service held at a later date to honor our loving daddy, granddaddy, and great-granddaddy.

Cemetery Details

Bishopville Presbyterian Church Cemetery

215 S Main St
Bishopville, SC 29010

Events

Details are pending.

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. John Crues Bell Jr.*

October 08, 2023 at 04:16 PM



“ *Mr. John Crues Bell Jr.*

March 25, 2023 at 11:01 AM



“ *To the Bell Family,
You have my deepest sympathy. May God bless you with peace
and comfort.*

Gloria Simon Ferguson

Gloria S. Fergusson - April 21, 2020 at 11:43 PM



“ *Was blessed to have known this wonderful
man. Remembering you in thoughts and
prayers.
Love,
Lori Smith.*



Lori Smith - April 18, 2020 at 11:33 AM



“ *Praying for for you during this time of loss. Will always remember all
the great times we had together at your home and Bishopville CC.*

Tim and Agnes Babb

Tim Babb - April 18, 2020 at 08:30 AM

VR

“ *Virginia Rogers lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Crues Bell Jr.*



Virginia Rogers - April 17, 2020 at 12:37 PM

KA

“ *Kaye Arrants lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Crues Bell Jr.*



Kaye Arrants - April 17, 2020 at 11:09 AM

HT

“ *Hugh Tindal lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Crues Bell Jr.*



hugh tindal - April 17, 2020 at 09:59 AM

HT

“ *Thank you for your friendship and our many good times on the golf course. I believe we won more than we lost. I will always remember your kindness.*

hugh tindal - April 17, 2020 at 09:58 AM

LG

“ *Larry Grantham lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Crues Bell Jr.*



Larry Grantham - April 17, 2020 at 09:57 AM

JM

“ *Janice Snipes Melton lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Crues Bell Jr.*



Janice Snipes Melton - April 16, 2020 at 10:25 PM

JM

So sorry for your loss. Mr. Bell was a wonderful man. I worked with/for him for 25 years at Reeves. He was the best!! Love & prayers for the Bell family.

Janice Snipes Melton - April 16, 2020 at 10:28 PM

KK

“ *Kenny Kelley lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Crues Bell Jr.*



Kenny Kelley - April 16, 2020 at 10:19 PM

CM

“ *Clara McElveen lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Crues Bell Jr.*



Clara McElveen - April 16, 2020 at 07:47 PM

CM

Sending my deepest sympathy to all the Bell family. John was a fine Christian man, friends to many and will be missed by many. May God give each of you comfort, peace and strength in the day ahead!

Clara McElveen - April 17, 2020 at 05:28 PM

JD

“ *Janet Fraser Driggers lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Crues Bell Jr.*



Janet Fraser Driggers - April 16, 2020 at 06:15 PM

BH

“ *Mr. Bell was a true Southern Gentleman who helped so many people during his lifetime on earth. He was a great friend and I and my family will miss him. Our hearts and prayers are with the Bell family.*

Bill & Annette Hopkins - April 16, 2020 at 05:34 PM

RK

“ Rita & George Kirven lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Crues Bell Jr.



Rita & George Kirven - April 16, 2020 at 04:00 PM

RH

“ In memory of a sweet gentleman! My prayers and sympathy to his family.



Ruthie Houser - April 16, 2020 at 03:46 PM

JM

“ Jill McElveen lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Crues Bell Jr.



Jill McElveen - April 16, 2020 at 03:42 PM

MB

“ Matt Bramlett lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Crues Bell Jr.



Matt Bramlett - April 16, 2020 at 03:34 PM

RH

“ *Rosalie Hyatt lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Crues Bell Jr.*



Rosalie Hyatt - April 16, 2020 at 03:24 PM

RH

Love and prayers for your family! Mr. Bell was such a great role model and such a gentleman! I'm sorry for your loss!

Rosalie Hyatt - April 16, 2020 at 03:25 PM

KJ

“ *Kathy Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mr. John Crues Bell Jr.*



Kathy Jackson - April 16, 2020 at 01:50 PM