



Jack Lamar Walton

January 10, 1952 — November 25, 2024

Jack Lamar Walton, 72, passed away peacefully at his home surrounded by family on November 25, 2024.

Jack was born in Birmingham, AL on January 10, 1952 to Jim and Margaret Walton. He grew up in Fairfield, AL alongside his sister Judith and graduated from Fairfield High School in 1970. He then attended Auburn University and graduated in 1975 with a Bachelor's degree in electrical engineering. He married Carol Woodman on September 26, 1982, and together they had three daughters.

Jack was preceded in death by his parents, James Lamar Walton and Margaret Argo Walton of Birmingham AL, and his sister, Mirth Meyer of Lake Forest, CA. He is survived by his wife Carol; his daughters Stephanie Thompson (Josh), Amanda Walton, and Mary Beth Roberts (Daniel); his grandchildren Benjamin, Anna, Jack, Olivia, Lily, Juliet, and Sara Beth; his sister Rev. Judith Comer (Fletcher); and his brother-in-law Steve Meyer.

Jack was a faithful and loving husband to Carol for 42 years, and a father who was always ready to impart wisdom or guidance to his daughters. As a beloved "Papa," Jack loved to spend time with his grandchildren and teach them about life. Jack was known for his sense of humour, and he

was always ready for a good quip when the opportunity presented itself. A naturally gifted problem solver, Jack loved a good challenge, riddle, or puzzle. He enjoyed working as a Professional Engineer for almost 50 years in the Birmingham area until his retirement from Yates Engineering in December 2023. A lifelong Auburn fan, Jack spent Saturdays during he fall watching college football and cheering for the Tigers. For years, one of his favourite things to do was taking his daughters to Auburn football games.

Jack was a member of Church of the Highlands where he enjoyed teaching small groups, sharing his faith, and serving others through the church's prison ministry, the prayer team, and working at the church's various conferences. Jack attended Highlands College and graduated in 2020 with a Certificate of Ministry Leadership. As he matured in his faith, Jack realized his true calling was serving others and he wanted everyone to experience the love, forgiveness, and peace that comes from a relationship with Jesus Christ. This passion spilled over into every area of Jack's life as he sought to reach out and minister to others. The wisdom Jack learned from his faith intersecting with life became short essays he wrote and would share with family and friends as encouragement. In 2019, these writings became a published book titled "A Life in Parables." Jack will be sorely missed by all who had the privilege of knowing him. His legacy of faith, peace, and trust in the Lord will be fondly remembered and will continue impacting his family and friends in the years to come. A celebration of Jack's life will be held at Church of the Highlands (Riverchase Campus) on Saturday, January 11, 2025 at 10:30 a.m., just one day after what would have been his 73rd birthday. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Church of the Highlands (Riverchase Campus) in his memory.