



Robert Miles Ragsdale

Robert Miles Ragsdale, 67, of Valine Miles Road, Baxley, died on Oct. 12, 2008 in Jonesboro.

He was born in Douglas on July 24, 1941. Ragsdale was the grandson of the late W. C. and Lula Ragsdale of Ambrose and the late Valine and Flora Mizzell Miles of Baxley. He was the son of the late Royce Ragsdale of Broxton and the late Iris Miles Ragsdale Dykes of Baxley. Robert graduated from Appling County High School in 1959 and received a B.S. in Industrial Engineering from Georgia Institute of Technology. He was first employed by General Motors in Atlanta, but later moved to California and was employed by Optical Engineering and Lasercraft Corporation. Home beckoned and Robert moved back to Baxley, where he was reared and he and partner, Burton Crapps, owned and operated Computer Works for several years. Ragsdale was a member of First United Methodist Church in Baxley.

He is survived by two sons, SPC William Andrew Ragsdale, U.S. Army, and SPC Patrick Kenji Ragsdale, U.S. Army, stationed in Wiesbaden, Germany; and his former wife, Tomoko Ragsdale of Lawrenceville; one sister, Flora Ragsdale Moore Nodine; brother-in-law, Boyce Nodine of Roebuck, S.C.; one niece, Dr. Cindy Moore Baker, her husband, Robbie Baker, their daughter, Emma Moore Baker of Delaware, OH; and one nephew, Stephen Christopher Moore, his wife, Katherine Gill Moore and their children, Jerry (Jay) Christopher and Sydney Elizabeth of Fletcher, N.C.

Memorial services were held at 3:00 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 18 at Miles Chapel Baptist Church in Baxley with the Rev. Doug Weisel, Patrick Kenji Ragsdale, Joe Day, Milton Leggett and Lonnie Wooten officiating. Interment followed in the church cemetery.

Bart Black and David Williams rendered musical selections. Arrangements were under the direction of David E. Miles Funeral Home.