Robert Henry "Bob" McGarity III

##ALBANY-Robert Henry "Bob" McGarity III, 69, of Albany, GA died peacefully on Tuesday, September 30, 2014 at his residence, surrounded by family. Funeral services will be held Thursday, October 2, 2014 at 11:00 AM at Covenant Presbyterian Church. Dr. William D. "Biff" Coker and Rev. Tim Olds will officiate. Interment will follow at Crown Hill Cemetery.

##Bob was born in Hattiesburg, MS in 1945 and his family relocated to Albany, GA in 1956. Bob graduated from Albany High School in 1963 and The Georgia Institute of Technology with a degree in Industrial Management. He began his career at Road Machinery in Doraville, GA before moving back to Albany in 1977. He continued his career at Carlton Company where he remained until 2003.

##Over the years, Bob was active in the The Albany Georgia Tech Alumni Club, where he served one year as President. He was an avid outdoorsman, which was evident through his involvement with Ducks Unlimited at both the local and regional levels.

##In recent years, Bob enjoyed spending time with children and grandchildren at their home on Lake Blackshear.

##Bob was preceded in death by his parents Robert Henry "Hank" McGarity, Jr and Kitty McCaa McGarity, his brother John Charles "Chuck" McGarity and his brother-in-law George G. Riles.

##He is survived by his wife of 44 years, Jain Rice McGarity of Albany, GA, two daughters, Kathy McGarity Benton of Alpharetta, GA and Sarah McGarity Bennett and her husband Russell of Athens, GA. Four grandchildren, Katherine Barrett Benton, Samuel Robert Benton, Charles McGarity Bennett and Jain Allen Bennett, two sisters Vicki McGarity Riles of Albany, GA and Kay McGarity Heidt and her husband Tommy of Norcross, GA and several nieces and nephews.

##The family will be at their residence at Lake Blackshear, 2253 Arabi-Warwick Road, Cordele GA.

##Memorials may be made to The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society Georgia Chapter 3715 Northside Parkway NW, Building 400, Suite 300, Atlanta, GA 30327 or Covenant Presbyterian Church, 2126 West Edgewater Drive, Albany, GA 31707.

##To share your thoughts with the McGarity family, you may visit our website at www.kimbrellstern.com.

##Kimbrell-Stern Funeral Director

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