



## John Henry "Pee Wee" Merritt

July 22, 1934 - January 17, 2017

Mr. John Henry "Pee Wee" Merritt, age 82, of Ambrose passed away, Tuesday, January 17, 2017, at Medical Center of Central Georgia in Macon following a short illness. Mr. Merritt was born July 22, 1934 to the late Ira Merritt and the late Pearlie Smith Merritt.

Mr. Merritt, a native of Jeff Davis County, had lived in the Ambrose area for many years. He was a heavy equipment operator and mechanic by trade. Other than his parents, he was also preceded in death by his first wife, Marie Simmons Merritt and 1 Daughter, Brenda Glenn.

Mr. Merritt attended New Hope Baptist Church.

Survivors include:

His Wife: Betty Sue Watson Merritt of Ambrose, GA

2 Sons: John Merritt of Douglas, GA and Craig Merritt of Ambrose, GA

1 Daughter: Barbara Merritt of Ambrose, GA

1 Brother: Ralph (Janie) Merritt of Wray, GA

7 Grandchildren

12 Great Grandchildren

A Number of Step-Grandchildren

Several Nieces, Nephews, Other Relatives and Friends

Funeral Services were held Friday, January 20, 2017 at New Hope Baptist Church at 11:00 A.M. with Rev. Carroll Carver officiating. Entombment followed in the New Hope Cemetery.

Active Pallbearers were: Curt Vickers, Brett Rogers, Daniel Paulk, Gree Harper, Phillip Acorn and Michael Vickers.

Honorary Pallbearers were: James Vickers, Earl Vickers, Wayne Vickers, Eddie Vickers, Dennis Paulk, Craig Vickers and Jearrell Vickers.

Special Musical Selections, "Two Shoes", was rendered by CD Music and "When the Roll Is Called up Yonder", was presented by New Hope Baptist Church Choir, with Virginia Lewis, at the Piano. "Pre-Lude" and "Post-Lude" soft hymns were rendered by the Pianist, Virginia Lewis.

Ricketson Funeral Home was in charge of the Arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## New Hope Cemetery

977 New Hope Church Road  
Ambrose, GA 31512

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 19. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Ricketson Funeral Home, Inc.  
305 West Ward Street  
Douglas, GA 31533  
(912) 384-1155  
ricketsonfunhm@windstream.net  
<https://www.ricketsonfuneralhome.com/>

## Funeral Service

JAN 20. 11:00 AM (ET)

New Hope Baptist Church  
977 New Hope Church Road  
Ambrose, GA 31512

# Tribute Wall



“ *John Henry "Pee Wee" Merritt*

November 08, 2022 at 06:41 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of John Henry "Pee Wee" Merritt.*



January 19, 2017 at 01:29 PM



“ *Louise Paulk lit a candle in memory of John Henry "Pee Wee" Merritt*



**louise paulk** - January 19, 2017 at 08:42 AM



“ *Always a smiling face and a chuckling laugh like no other, sweet man..... I am truly sorry for your lost he will be missed by many....Jl had the honor of talking to him 2 weeks ago at Ambrose of course, and come home to tell me all about it how he hadn't changed a bit,we thought the world of him he was one of our favorite folks....*

**louise paulk** - January 19, 2017 at 08:40 AM

RC

“ Rene Christianson sent a virtual gift in memory of John Henry "Pee Wee" Merritt



Rene Christianson - January 18, 2017 at 06:31 PM

RC

“ Rene Christianson lit a candle in memory of John Henry "Pee Wee" Merritt



Rene Christianson - January 18, 2017 at 06:30 PM

BA

“ Billy And Judy Adams lit a candle in memory of John Henry "Pee Wee" Merritt



Billy and Judy Adams - January 18, 2017 at 01:15 PM

JM

“ The Mae Merritt Simmons Family>



Jo Ann Metts - January 18, 2017 at 12:32 PM

RW

“ Pee Wee was one of my favorite people, he always was funny and outgoing never met a stranger. he was also my brother-in-law and since the day he and Betty was married I never seen seen her happier and think that was a direct result of her and Pee Wee's relationship and for this I thank God for him and the time we were able to spend together.

ralph watson - January 18, 2017 at 10:39 AM

DE

*Ralph Watson, that was so sweet!!!*

deborah - January 18, 2017 at 11:31 PM

JH

“ Janice Hancock lit a candle in memory of John Henry "Pee Wee" Merritt



Janice Hancock - January 18, 2017 at 09:41 AM

JH

*My Prayers and my heart is with you, Betty. I Love you and I am here for you. We enjoyed all of the times we went out to eat with both of you.*

Janice Hancock - January 18, 2017 at 09:44 AM

CB

“ CINDY BAILEY lit a candle in memory of John Henry "Pee Wee" Merritt



CINDY BAILEY - January 18, 2017 at 08:37 AM

RC

“ Roy Cato lit a candle in memory of John  
Henry "Pee Wee" Merritt



---

**Roy Cato** - January 17, 2017 at 08:43 PM