

John Ferrell

John Pelham Ferrell of Phenix City, Ala., and formerly of Clayton, died January 24, 2002.

Born April 12, 1925 in Seale, Ala., he was the son of Henry Archer and Lucille Bradford Ferrell. He served in the U.S. Navy as an aviation radioman and aerial gunner on Catalina PBVs. A graduate of the University of Alabama Law School, he was editor-in-chief of the Law Review, a member of Omicron Delta Kappa honorary society and the student legislature. He practiced law for nearly 50 years.

Mr. Ferrell was a member of the Alabama and Russell County Bar Associations and a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers. At various times he served as Special Assistant Attorney General for the State Licensing Board of General Contractors, City Attorney for Phenix City, Russell County Attorney, Utilities Board Attorney, Recorder Pro-tem of Phenix City, member of the Troy State Advancement Board, and served as member and chairman of the Alabama Commission on Higher Education. He was a

member of the United States Electoral College in the Carter-Ford election.

Mr. Ferrell was in the American Legion for more than 50 years and a member of Seale United Methodist Church. He was the widower of Joy Barnhart Ferrell.

Survivors include his daughters and their husbands, Corry and Peter Finnerty of Phenix City, Ginny and Mark Torbert of Hurtsboro; his son, Frank Ferrell of Phenix City; grandchildren, Kate Torbert, Casey Torbert, Joy, Colleen, and Megan Finnerty; and great-grandchildren, Audrey Alice and Pelham Carter Torbert.

Memorial services were held at the Seale Cemetery in Seale, Ala., on Jan. 26, 2002 with Rev. Joseph W. Lisenby officiating.

In lieu of flowers, the family respectfully requests that contributions be made to the Cemetery Fund of Seale United Methodist Church, c/o Mrs. Martha Teal, P.O. Box 151, Seale, AL 36875, or to a charity of your choice.