



# George Hopkins

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**R.** George Hopkins of Crownsville died on December 6, 2011. Born in Elkton, MD on March 2, 1950, and raised in Betterton, MD, Mr. Hopkins was the son of Ray Gowman Hopkins and Julia Curlett. He graduated from Chestertown High School Class of 1970. Mr. Hopkins attended McAllister Institute of Mortuary Science in NY City, graduating in 1971. He served his apprenticeship at Singleton Funeral Home in Glen Burnie, MD, where he worked as funeral director after completing his training. He married Sandra May Lusby of Kennedyville, MD in 1973. In 1992, Mr. Hopkins purchased the Singleton Funeral Home along with his equal partner. While taking down Christmas decorations on January 6, 2008, Mr. Hopkins suffered a traumatic brain injury and sold his half of the business in 2010.

During his career, Mr. Hopkins was a member of the Maryland State Funeral Directors Association, serving through the chairmanships and as president in 1997-1998. He was also a member of the National Funeral Directors Association. Mr. Hopkins was an active member of the Glen Burnie Lions Club, where he served as president and in many chairmanships. He was also active in the Glen Burnie Improvement Association and helped each year at the Glen Burnie Carnival.

Mr. Hopkins loved Christmas, and won numerous holiday decorating contests with his outdoor house decoration, which included train displays. He also won awards for the most decorated house in Anne Arundel County.

He is survived by his wife, Sandra Lusby Hopkins of Crownsville; his daughter, Martha M. Sidlowski and son in-law, Michael Sidlowski of Severn, MD; granddaughters, Julie and Lauren Sidlowski; sister, Patricia Schuyler of Denton, MD; and mother in-law, Harriett Lusby of Kennedyville.



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Friends may call at the Lasting Tributes Cremation & Funeral Care by Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A., 814 Bestgate Road, Annapolis, MD on Thursday, December 8 from 2-4 and 7-9 pm.

A funeral will be held at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 1110 St. Stephen's Church Road, Crownsville, MD 21032 on Friday, December 9 at 11:00 am.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Stephen's Episcopal Church or to Monsignor Slade Catholic School, 120 Dorsey Road, Glen Burnie, MD 21061.



# Events

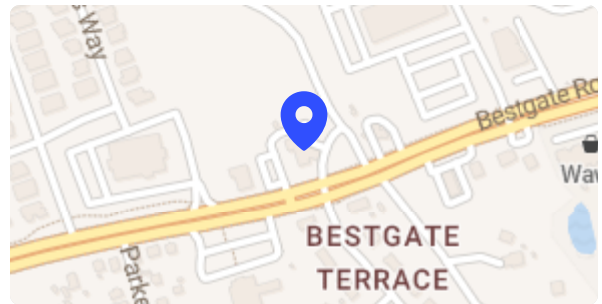
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## Visitation

**Thursday**, December 8, 2011

2:00 PM - 4:00 PM ET

**Lasting Tributes Cremation & Funeral Care**  
814 Bestgate Rd, Annapolis MD 21401

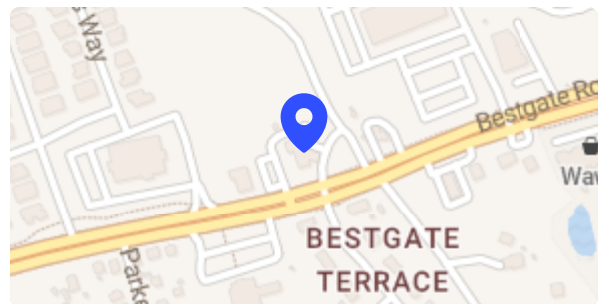


## Visitation

**Thursday**, December 8, 2011

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM ET

**Lasting Tributes Cremation & Funeral Care**  
814 Bestgate Rd, Annapolis MD 21401

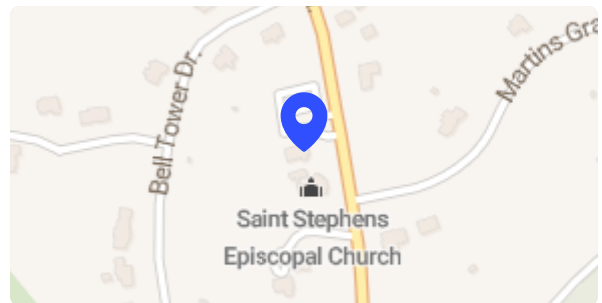


## Service

**Friday**, December 9, 2011

11:00 AM ET

**St. Stephen's Episcopal Church**  
1110 St. Stephen's Church Road, Crownsville MD  
21032



## Cemetery Details

Private



## Tribute Wall

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JF

**Joan Elburn Farley** posted:

Dear Sandra and Family - I am so sorry to hear of George's passing. It is with fond memories I recall George and myself walking from school down to the dry cleaners where both of our mothers worked. He was far too young to be taken from us, but the Lord saw his suffering and decided to call him home. You all now have a very special guardian angel watching over you. Joan Elburn Farley

December 15 at 1:03 PM

JL

**Jessica Laster** posted:

Let me send my sincerest sympathies to the family of Mr. Hopkins. I had the pleasure of meeting him about 12 years ago and you knew what a kind genuine person he was right from the beginning. From sharing duties at the Glen Burnie carnival soda stand to waiting on him at the bank, he always had a smile and a kind word. He will be greatly missed.

December 12 at 6:29 AM

MM

**Mark & Ann Schatz Glen Burnie, Md.** posted:

Mark has many good memories of George. They would meet at the cemetery and pass the time while waiting for the procession of cars. Our sincere sympathy to his loved ones. Comfort, peace, and hope to you in this time of sadness. Mark & Ann Schatz

December 10 at 12:26 PM

DA

**Delores Allen** posted:

Please accept my heartfelt sympathies in the loss of your dear loved one. How comforting in knowing Almighty God has not only the power but also the desire to resurrect our loved ones. Jesus himself said: "Do not marvel at this, because the hour is coming in which all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice and come out." John 5:28,29

December 9 at 3:54 AM

JC

**Janet Canapp** shared an album called **New Album Name.**



December 8 at 4:00 AM



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PL

**Paul Lochstampfor** posted:

Meet George in the late 1980's. Always had a smile and encouragement for you. He will be sadly missed by all in his profession. The family will be in our prayers during this time. Paul LochstampforLochstampfor Funeral Home, Inc. Waynesboro, PA

December 7 at 12:37 PM

BO

**Betsy Oliver** posted:

George was a joy to know - he always had a smile and a handshake for everyone. He was the most creative Christmastime decorator ever!. The Hopkins' home was a spectacular sight every Christmas, inside and outside ~ George took it over the top every year, much to everyone's delight!. Heaven will now be more beautiful every Christmas, with George on the job. Sandy and family, he will be greatly missed by all of us who were lucky enough to have known him.. Peace and Love, Bill and Betsy Oliver

December 7 at 10:09 AM

HS

**Hugh & Lucile Seborg** posted:

There are very few people who enter into our lives which make a lasting impression. George was always smiling, friendly, concerned, caring, and loved people! Hugh and I loved staying with him when he was in the convalescent home. He would try to cheer us up rather than the opposite :-). The last time I fixed food for him, he said that he would like eggplant. Sandy told us that he loved it, but she ate some of it also! Sandy, we will all really miss George, but we know that he is totally free of pain and that the Christmas angels are letting him help decorate a tree in Heaven. Love, Lucile & Hugh Seborg

December 7 at 8:46 AM



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**Ronnie Macelwee** lit a candle in honor of George.

Sandy, Martha, Michael, Julie and Lauren - There are no words to tell you all how very sorry I am for your loss. I loved George very much and am so very grateful to have had his friendship and love in return. He was truly an amazing person and someone I will always miss in my life. Please let me know if I can do anything to help you get through this very difficult time.



December 6 at 3:32 PM



**Nancy Nicklow** December 8 at 12:16 PM

I am so very sorry for your loss. George was loved by all of here at Huff Insurance. He was always so caring, generous and was always so helpful. It was a pleasure working with him for all of the years and he will be missed. To the Hopkins family, you are all very strong and your strength will get you through this difficult time. I wish you comfort and peace during this time. If there is anything at all that I could ever do for any of you please let me know. Nancy Nicklow



Janet Canapp shared a photo to the **New Album Name** album.

December 8 at 4:00 AM



Remembering George and all the fun trips we enjoyed together, especially Aruba, one of his favorites



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring George by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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