



## Tucker Carrington Watkins

September 30, 1946 - October 6, 2012

Mr. Tucker Carrington Watkins, IV of Randolph, Virginia died Saturday, October 6, 2012 at the Halifax Regional Hospital. He was born in Halifax County, Virginia on September 30, 1946 and was 66 years old. He was the son of the late Dr. William Randolph Watkins and the late Ruth Porter Watkins.

He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church. He attended the Virginia Military Institute and served honorably in the U.S. Army in Vietnam and was awarded the Bronze Star and the Purple Heart. He was very active in the Richmond Jaycees for many years, past Chair of the 5th District Republican Party and Senator George Allen's field director for Southside Virginia.

Mr. Tucker Carrington Watkins, IV is survived by:

His Sister

Ruth Porter Watkins of South Boston

Nieces and Nephews

Melissa Watkins of Goldsboro, NC

Mary Garrett and Bob Itin of Philadelphia, PA

Mary Tucker and Scott Irby of South Boston

John E. Moore, Jr. of Springfield, MO

Crimora and David Carter of Greenville, SC

Dr. Porter Moore of Nashville, TN

Edward Barksdale Watkins of Richmond, VA

John Payne Thrift, III of Washington, DC

Eight Great Nieces and Nephews

\*\*\* Preceded in death by:

His brother, William R. Watkins, Jr.

His sister, Louise Watkins Moore

His nephew, Lt. Col. William R. Watkins, III

Memorial services will be held Tuesday, October 9, 2012 at 2:00 P.M. at the First Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Dr. Russell Lee officiating. Burial will

follow in the Oak Ridge Cemetery with military rites.

The family will receive friends Monday, October 8, 2012 from 6:00 until 9:00 P.M. at the Black Walnut Farm, 2091 Black Walnut Road, Clover, VA.

Online condolences may be directed to [www.powellfunerals.com](http://www.powellfunerals.com)

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# Tribute Wall



“ A sympathy card has been sent to the family of Tucker Carrington Watkins, IV c/o Powell Funeral Home funeral home.

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October 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ I had known Tucker for at least 25 years, first through the Jaycees and later involvement in Republican activities. He was one of a kind and I will miss seeing him. You will be in our thoughts and prayers.

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**John Seaborn** - October 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Tucker was a true southern gentleman whose humor will be missed.....

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**Patricia Popek-Hicks** - October 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ I met Tucker a few years ago and we struck up an immediate friendship. He became a great friend and a true mentor. He was a man who cared deeply for his family, his friends and his country.

I had the opportunity to spend a lot of time with Tucker talking on his back porch and learned what a truly remarkable man he was. Tucker truly cared about people and many times I witnessed him providing a helping hand to those in need, often doing it anonymously. He was always humble about serving others and did it because it was the right thing to do. Tucker was very proud of his family and told me countless stories about his nieces and nephews. I hope you all know how special you were to him.

Porter, he was so grateful for all your help, support and love. Thanks for taking such good care of your brother and my friend. My thoughts are with you and the family. Be proud of the terrific legacy this great man has left behind.

Tucker, I miss you, my friend. Semper Fidelis.

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**John Perez** - October 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ A friend and patriot, but more importantly, a very good man. We'll miss you dearly Tucker. His family are in my thoughts and prayers.

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**Jerr Rosenbaum** - October 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ Our deepest sympathy for the loss of your dear loved one Tucker. He will be missed by many in this community and the State for all he did for the Republican Party, there is no replacement. I will miss working with him at the poles.  
God bless you Tucker and be at peace with our Lord!  
I'm sorry we were not able to be there today to say good-bye!

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**David & Sylvia Tooley** - October 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RD

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the Watkins family at this time. May you find comfort in knowing our Lord's promise of life after death.

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**Ross Davis** - October 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ Saturday morning I lost a great and true friend.

You folks lost much more, a loving and kind brother and uncle. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

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**Alton Foley** - October 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ We both send our most sincere condolences on Tucker's passing. The world has lost a true patriot and a fine gentleman. He was always so kind and thoughtful to us whenever we saw him at State or National Party events. With sympathy, Mary Anna and Peter Broadbent

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**Mary Anna and Peter Broadbent** - October 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

VS

“ I am heartbroken and profoundly saddened by the loss of Tucker. He will live forever in my heart and in the heart of all who met and knew him. He was a military hero, but he has always been one of my heroes as well. May you rest in peace my sweet Tucker.

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**Vivienne & Dennis Smith** - October 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Porter,  
What an honor it has been to have known Tucker. He was a hero to all of us that have worked with him on campaigns and in the Republican Party. His quick wit and humor will be cherished by all who got to know him. You and your family will be remembered in our thoughts and prayers in the days and weeks ahead!

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**Dolores Switzer** - October 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ Your last email to me said you hoped to be able to attend the 33rd Greene County Pig Roast. When we heard the news of your passing we sang Amazing Grace at the Pig Roast in your honor. You will be missed.

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**Gary Lowe** - October 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

NT

“ Tucker Watkins was a loyal and dedicated citizen of his community- no one worked harder or took more pleasure in fairly won contests. His life goes on in everyone he met and the world is brighter and better for it.

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**Nan and Jack Turner** - October 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ Tucker: A great friend,fellow soldier,a Patriot, Leader, and a great loss to all of us. We will miss him. Health problems keep us from attending, but we will be there in spirit.

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**Col Bob and Sandy Cranston** - October 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ Tucker will be greatly missed. My husband and I meet Tucker during our Jaycee years and became good friends, then we were both in politics together. RIP Tucker. You have done a wonderful job in your lifetime.

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**Barbara Moore** - October 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ A great Virginian statesman. HE DID IT ALL. wELL.

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**conway and Jean Goodman** - October 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

WC

“ Tucker meant a lot to me. My friend, my roommate, my fellow jaycee. I treasure every one of the thousands of hours we spent over the years eating, drinking, travelling, laughing, arguing and plotting. My first contact with a computer was on his old mac classic. I taught myself how to program on that thing and now I make a living at it. Thanks for everything Tucker. I'll try to pay it forward like you always did.

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**William Chappell** - October 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

FR

“ Porter,  
Jessie and I would like to express our sympathy for the loss of  
Tucker. He was a friend that can not be replaced.  
It has been my honor to have known not only Tucker but your  
parents and Bill as well. Truly an honor in each case.  
Frank

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**Frank & Jessie Ruff** - October 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ I am so sorry to here of Tucker's passing. A true Southern  
Gentleman and Patriot. He will be missed.

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**Terry Meadows** - October 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ I remember Mr. Watkins fondly from the days I worked at Tuck  
Dillard Nelson & Dillard and also of the years with the Republican  
Party. He was a kind and friendly man. Our sympathy and prayers  
to the entire family.

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**James & Karen Lucia** - October 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM