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John Williams Benton, age 72 passed away Saturday, December 18, 2021, at Eatonton Health and Rehab in Eatonton.

John Benton was born in Macon, Georgia on April 24, 1949, to the late James Lovic Benton, Jr. and Florence Morrison McCord Benton Pope. He was raised in Monticello and during his high school years, he enjoyed acting in the school plays. He graduated from Monticello High School in 1967.

John served in the U. S. Army National Guard and enjoyed hunting and fishing. He attended Middle Georgia College. Before retirement, John worked as a mail carrier for the U. S. Postal Service.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his daughter, Mildred “Millie” Kitchens; sister, Felicia M. Benton; brother, James Lovic Benton, III; and nephew, James Bradley Benton.

He is survived by his grandchildren, Makanna Jarrett, Walter Jarrett, Mattie Kitchens and Wyatt Kitchens; sister, Alice B. (Walter) Tillman of Monticello; son-in-law, Matthew Kitchens of Eatonton; nieces, Lisa T. Lister and Stephanie Filingeri; and great nieces and great nephew, DeLaney Knight, Dylan T. Lister and Rosabella Victoria Felingeri.

A graveside service will be held at 11:00 A.M., Wednesday, December 23, 2021, at West View Cemetery. Rev. Wes Tanner will officiate.

The family suggests in lieu of flowers donations be made to New Hope United Methodist Church, ℅ Mrs. Betty Tuggle, 833 McElheney Crossroads, Monticello, Georgia 31064.

Jordan Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.