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**Herbert “Herb” Martin Clason, Jr.**

*December 17, 1948 – May 14, 2023*

Herbert Martin Clason, Jr., 74, passed away on Sunday, May 14, 2023, at his home on Jackson Lake. He was born on December 17, 1948 in Pontiac, MI to Herbert and Betty Clason.

As a child, Herb moved with his family to Albany, Georgia, where he graduated from Albany High School. He attended Albany State College, where he much preferred to play ping pong than to attend class, but eventually left to begin his career with Norfolk Southern Railroad, where he worked as a conductor and engineer for thirty-nine and one-half years before retiring. At the age of sixty-five, Herb took up the sport of golf and never looked back. He loved trying new courses and making new friends who shared that common interest. Yet, there was nothing in the world more important to Herb than his family. It was in their presence that he was always his happiest.

Herb was preceded in death by his parents, Herbert M. Clason and Betty Taylor Clason; son Dustin Hollis Clason; and high school sweetheart, Carolyn Hollis Clason, to whom he was married for 31 years.

Left to cherish his memory are his second love for the past twenty years, Patricia Rogers Clason of Monticello; children, Chandra (David) Goen of Monticello, Herbert “Marty” (Kristie) Clason III of Warner Robins, Andrew Cook of Athens, and Amanda (John) Morsek of Watkinsville; grandchildren, Cameron (Nickol) Clason, Carigan Goen (Ethan Hale), Cortlyn Goen, Allie Clason, Anslie Clason, Drake Comer, Brady Morsek, and Henry Morsek; great-grandchildren, Raine Goen and Ashford Goen; and sister, Claudia (Steve) Brooks of Luverne, AL. Herb is also survived by many nieces and nephews, all of whom he dearly loved, as well as the many friends and golf partners he made along the way.

In lieu of flowers, Herb and his family request that donations be made to: Hunter Pope Country Club, “In Memory of Herb Clason”, PO Box 186, Monticello, GA 31064-6255. Hunter Pope provided many hours of fun and fellowship for the “old geezers” during the Covid-19 pandemic. The golf course staff worked tirelessly and did an amazing job of staying open safely, taking many precautions to make sure that everyone stayed happy and healthy. For that Herb was eternally grateful.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 A.M., Wednesday, May 17, 2023, at the Chapel of Jordan Funeral Home. Interment will be held in West View Cemetery. Stone Workman will officiate.

The family will receive friends from 10:00 A.M. until 11:00 A.M., Wednesday, May 17, 2023, prior to the service at Jordan Funeral Home.

Serving as pallbearers will be David Brooks, Steve Brooks, Jr., Jason James, Eric Mize, John Rowlands and Chad James.

Jordan Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.