

Over 1 month ago N4UNC, Woody Kirtin, lost everything in a house fire in Blackshear, Ga. The home and contents are a total loss.

He is in the burn unit in Athens and is expected to remain there for at least the next 1-2 months. He barely escaped the fire with his life and along with the burns he sustained lung damage from inhaling the smoke. Current information indicates he is making good progress but still has a long way to go before he can go somewhere other than the hospital.

Rick, NQ4I in Spalding County, has started a donation fund to assist him, primarily to replace his FT991-A radio that he just purchased the week before the fire. Rick said he will take care of getting him back on the air and any installation work. Any remaining funds collected will go directly to Woody to help offset his expenses.

Anyone that wishes to donate can do so by contacting Rick at 678-595-6235 to find out how to donate to the fund. If you want you could send a check to Rick via mail to Rick Dougherty - NQ4I, 1595 Cabin Creek Trail, Griffin, GA 30223. I asked him if he anticipated establishing a Go-Fund-Me page and he said he would look into it. For now all donations should go to Rick. He just started this effort and has already received several donations. Donate what you can.