



Charles Raiford Duffey

October 5, 1931 - August 13, 2011

Mr. Ray Duffey, 79, died Saturday, August 13, 2011 at his home in Newnan. He was born October 5, 1931 in Newnan to the late Ollie Roy Duffey & Gladys Stitcher Duffey. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife Nancy Nutt Duffey.

After high school he joined the Army and was one of its most versatile athletes. He played football & boxed at Ft. Jackson and was middleweight champion in 1949. Following his discharge, he signed with the Charlotte Hornets as a catcher. He also played minor league ball in Kentucky and New Mexico. When he returned to Newnan, he was active in Georgia Babe Ruth League as coach and manager and later became State Commissioner and league president. He was proud of his role in the organization and development of the Shrine Club Football League in Coweta.

The funeral is Tuesday, August 16, 2011 at 4:00 PM in the chapel of McKoon Funeral Home with burial following at Oak Hill Cemetery. The visitation is Monday evening between 6:00 -8:00 at McKoon Funeral Home, 38 Jackson St, Newnan. Rather than flowers, the family respectfully requests memorial contributions to Coweta County Special Olympics, P.O. Box 280, Newnan, GA 30264.

Condolences can be expressed online at www.mckoon.com

Survivors include children, Larry (Donna) Duffey, Kelly (Roy) Abercrombie, Bobby Ray Duffey, Thomas Edward (Debbie) Duffey, Jack Warren (Karen) Duffey; grandchildren, Jennifer (Jamie) Murphy, Bryan Duffey, Tyler Duffey,

Katie Abercrombie, Drew Duffey, Madison Duffey, Katlyn Duffey, Leanne Duffey, Jack Warren Duffey, Jr.; great-grandchildren, Michael Duffey, Audrey Murphy; and sisters, Elsie Clark, Jean Hall.

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory (770) 253-4580

Cemetery Details

Oak Hill Cemetery

96 Jefferson Street
Newnan, GA 30263
(770) 253-3744

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 15. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

McKoon Funeral Home
38 Jackson Street
Newnan, GA 30263
(770) 253-4580
care@mckoon.com

Service

AUG 16. 4:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

BW

“ Bobby and I would like to express our sincere sympathy on the passing of Ray. He will surely be missed by family and friends.

Bobby and Geraldine Welch - August 22, 2011 at 05:05 AM

AM

“ I am so sorry for your loss of your Dad. I grew up knowing the whole fsmily. You all had a wonderfull Dad and Mom. Take comfort that they are together now. My husband and I jjust lost our daughter 2 months ago. It is hard on us, but with Gods words and comfort we will make iThank God for sisters and brothers to turn to, to talk and share memories with. you all have each other. Just wanted to let you know you all are in our thoughts and prayers. May God hold you close and trust in him for all your needs. In christ name,Amen

Angie Spivey McCarty - August 18, 2011 at 09:45 PM

ST

“ We are saddened over Ray's death. We were in school together and followed his athletic career when we returned from the NAVY. He has left his influence on many of the countie's youth and will be missed and remembered.

Susie and Jimmy Thomasson - August 18, 2011 at 08:26 PM

BW

“ Our thoughts and prayers go to the Duffy family during this difficult time..He left some great children to carry on his community spirit and love of country...

Bobby Welch - August 17, 2011 at 03:03 PM

KP

“ sorry for your lose Bobby

Kevin Paul - August 16, 2011 at 06:17 PM

RD

“ I am very sorry for your loss! May God hold and comfort you in his hands during this very difficult time. My prayers for the entire family. Love, Ronda

Ronda Duffey - August 16, 2011 at 09:46 AM

WH

“ Elsie we are so sorry to hear about Ray . May God fill the empty spot in your heart that the loss of a love one brings and may He fill it with His great love . We love you and miss time spent with you.

Walter & icie Hood - August 16, 2011 at 04:20 AM

SD

“ Very sorry to hear of your dad's passing. Sending thoughts and prayers your way.

Sandy Simon Dixon - August 16, 2011 at 02:41 AM

LS

“ Jack, Tommy and Kelly, I am saddened by the loss of your dad. He was a very special man and I have many fond memories of him from Fontana. Having been through the loss of my Dad in a similar manner, I know that mere words are inadequate. However, know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and your families. Lisa Duncan Stevens

Lisa Duncan Stevens - August 15, 2011 at 04:11 PM

DC

“ Ray was one of those guys that was truly larger than life, in lots of different ways. All our golf crowd always wanted to play with Ray....he had those leadership skills that brought the best out of all the team.... Yes, Ray was a true "winner" and will truly be missed, but not forgotten. dave clemens

Dave Clemens - August 15, 2011 at 03:52 PM

BS

“ Jack & Family, My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this time. I remember Jeff playing Shrine football under Mr. Ray. If I can help in any way, let me know.

Brenda Schloemer - August 15, 2011 at 12:40 PM

VC

“ I am so sorry to hear of your loss, my thoughts and prayers are with you.

Valorie Garner Calhoon - August 15, 2011 at 12:02 PM

FF

“ I am so sorry to hear about Mr. Ray. I thought the world of Mr. Ray and enjoyed seeing him every year at the Coweta Sports Hall of Fame banquet. I played in the all star football game for Mr. Ray when I was in the 9th grade. He made a great impression on me during that wonderful week. We beat the Jr. High team that had scored 100 points on an opponent that year. Mr. Ray had us well prepared and motivated to play. I will never forget that game and I will miss Mr. Ray very much. Sincerely, Frank Farmer

FRANK FARMER - August 15, 2011 at 11:21 AM

CM

“ I am sorry to hear about the passing of your father. May god be with ya'll in the hard days a head.

Carol Underwood Mckoy - August 15, 2011 at 11:18 AM

RB

“ I AM SO SORRY TO HEAR OF MR. RAY PASSING.HE WAS A GREAT MAN AND HE WAS A GOOD FOOTBALL COACH AND I ENJOYED EACH YEAR I PLAYED FOR HIM. YOU ALL ARE IN OUR PRAYERS DURING THIS TIME AND MAY GOD BLESS YOU ALL. RAY IS NOW IN HEAVEN WATCHING OVER US ALL . THE BYROM FAMILY

ROBBY BYROM - August 15, 2011 at 10:39 AM

VS

“ I am sorry to hear of your Dad's passing. I will pray for the family and may God's graces grant you all peace and acceptance with the loss of a loved one. Valerie LaCoste Simmons

Valerie LaCoste Simmons - August 15, 2011 at 10:36 AM

TA

“ So sorry to hear of Mr. Duffy's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with the family. Tim Alford

Tim Alford - August 15, 2011 at 10:33 AM

RB

“ Our prayers are with your family in the passing of your dad. Ray has made many contributions of his time and effort helping the Newnan football feeder program years ago. Also, he did a great job in the development of of the Babe Ruth baseball program for Coweta County. He will be missed.

Ron Baucham - August 15, 2011 at 09:49 AM

MM

“ Bobby, I am so sorry to hear about your loss. My love and prayers are with you and your family.

Mary MCMillan - August 15, 2011 at 09:12 AM

EM

“ Bobby, My thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of your loss. Eric Mcwaters

Eric Mcwaters - August 15, 2011 at 09:00 AM

VH

“ Bobby, My deepest sympathy to you and your family.

Vickie L. Harrington - August 15, 2011 at 08:51 AM

JH

“ Know our prayers and thoughts are with you at this time of loss. Joan and Maribeth Hanson

Joan Smith Hanson - August 15, 2011 at 08:40 AM

JW

“ I am indirectly related to the Duffy family. Mrs. Stitcher & I traced our family history back for a few yrs. thru the Argo Family. Sorry to hear of this death. He was a very talented person. JW

Juanita Wortham - August 15, 2011 at 07:33 AM

JJ

“ I am deeply sorry to hear about your dad"s passing, your old family friend Little Joe.

Joe Spivey Jr. - August 15, 2011 at 06:37 AM

MP

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I know how hard it is to lose both of your parents. My thoughts and prayers are with your family. Take comfort in knowing he and Ms. Nancy are together now.

Maxine Simon Privett - August 14, 2011 at 10:05 PM

A.

“ My condolences to the family. Please remember these scriptures and again my deepest sympathies. (Psalm 34:18; Revelation 21:4)

A.L. - August 14, 2011 at 06:21 PM

CG

“ For about 3 decades, Ray was one of the driving forces behind the success Newnan had in sports. He stomped me in checkers, and couldn't stop laughing. He will be missed!!!Chuck G

Chuck Grovenstein - August 14, 2011 at 12:59 PM