



## Clint & Carla Smith

January 21, 1959 - August 23, 2021

Carla Cook Smith and Brandon "Clint" Smith

Within 2 days of each other, married super-couple Carla Cook Smith and Brandon "Clint" Smith passed away from COVID-19 pneumonia on Saturday, August 21 and Monday, August 23, 2021, respectively, both at the age of 62.

With the mind of a creative genius and entrepreneur, Carla was well known in the community for researching and writing local history books called Perspectives. She also was a photographer and artist who painted "Waiting for the Train." Local breast cancer nonprofits fundraised with prints of her painting.

Carla was born on March 30, 1959 in Savannah, Georgia. She was witty, fun, and incredibly talkative. If you invited her somewhere, she'd probably bring a homemade chocolate chess pie, some kind of casserole she'd call Carla Surprise, and she'd get there an hour late.

Carla and Clint were married on June 22, 2002 in Cartersville, Georgia.

Clint, who was born January 21, 1959 in Mount Vernon, Illinois, was the opposite of Carla to those that knew them both. He was along for the roller coaster ride that was Carla. And he loved it.

However, those that didn't know Carla, Clint's coworkers at Kia in Lagrange, said that he was talkative, caring, and greeted everyone. Before becoming a mechanic and working at Kia, Clint worked for many years in the Kroger cold storage warehouse. He was a hardworking man, who loved to serve. Kindness was his hallmark.

He loved to laugh. Stupid comedies, kung fu movies, John Wayne and Clint Eastwood were his favorites. He had a Harley Davidson, long hair and leather jacket-and gave them all away when he got his family, because he loved them more.

Clint and Carla loved Jesus. They both saw their faith as a relationship, not a religion. They loved the Lord with all their hearts and devoted their lives to him. Whether it was worshiping in a church, or feeling the Holy Spirit move in the living room, they brought God into their lives and home.

Clint and Carla were gone far too soon. The family believes their deaths were preventable, if they had gotten the COVID-19 vaccine. Their daughter Elana would particularly like to encourage friends, family, and anyone reading this to get vaccinated so that your sons and daughters never have to feel this kind of pain.

Carla and Clint leave behind their beloved daughter Elana (Justin) Brown, their 22-year-old terrapin turtle Houdini, Carla's mother Joann Scealf, her sisters Debbie and

Pam Scealf, and her brother Eddie Scealf, Clint's sisters Tuesday Kopp, Nanette Hammond, Jada Faulkner, and a brother Tim Smith. They also left behind many nieces, nephews, family and friends.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, August 28, 2021 at 11 a.m. at Grace Covenant Worship Center in Hogansville.

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory 770-253-4580

# Cemetery Details

## McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory

38 Jackson Street  
Newnan, GA 30263  
care@mckoon.com  
<http://www.mckoon.com>

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

**AUG 28.** 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Grace Covenant Worship Center  
402 Bass Cross Rd  
Hogansville, GA 30230

# Tribute Wall

FF

“ <https://www.sorryantivaxxer.com/post/carla-62-and-brandon-clint-62-smith-hogansville-ga-died-from-covid>

FA FO - March 15 at 04:24 PM



“ *Carla, you had a passion and a fire that made you so interesting and vibrant. Clint, yours was a steady soul. You made your daughter's life better. You both will be so missed. You were loved.*

*Condolences and love to all of Carla and Clint's family and friends. There is never a good time to say goodbye and this was far too soon for them.*



Ellie White-Stevens - August 27, 2021 at 04:48 PM

NA

“ *Hey Brother! We had a lot of great memories! You and Carla will be missed....until we meet again. Love and Hugs, Nanette*

Nanette - August 27, 2021 at 03:02 PM

NA

“ *Nanette lit a candle in memory of Clint & Carla Smith*



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**Nanette** - August 27, 2021 at 03:00 PM

BM

“ *Barbara McDaniel Ray & Olin A. McDaniel purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Clint & Carla Smith.*



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**Barbara McDaniel Ray & Olin A. McDaniel** - August 26, 2021 at 08:04 AM

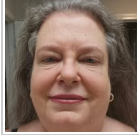
AW

“ *Aunt Karen Wehrmann lit a candle in memory of Clint & Carla Smith*



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**Aunt Karen Wehrmann** - August 26, 2021 at 02:59 AM



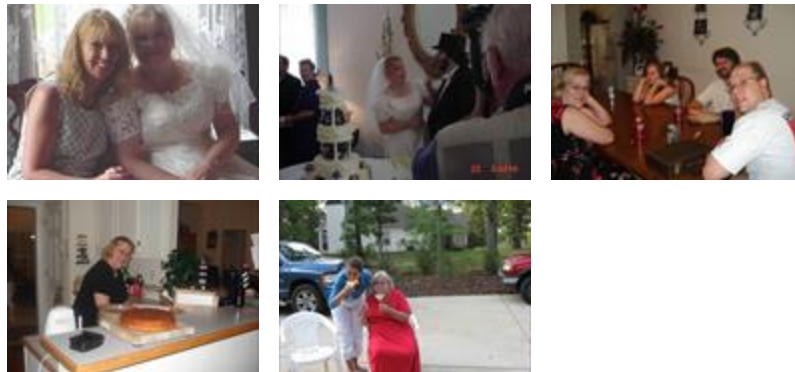
“ *Carla was one of the most generous people I have ever known. Not only did she give thousands to breast cancer research with her watercolor "Waiting for the Train," the first evening she and I spent together was spent going to pick up a car for her to give to a friend anonymously for Christmas. She loved big. I was blessed to know her.*

*She loves Jesus with her whole heart, and I look forward to the day when I will see her again, free from care and full of the knowledge of how wonderful a human being she was, and how much I love her. I have for years, and I will forever.*

Pam Criswell - August 25, 2021 at 07:57 PM



“ *18 files added to the album Memories Album*



Steve Scheibenreif - August 25, 2021 at 07:11 PM



*Our hearts hurt over the loss of 2 beautiful friends! So many fun memories. We love you eternally Carla and Clint. You are missed.*

Steve Scheibenreif - August 25, 2021 at 07:15 PM

CO

“ As the oldest cousin on Clint's dad's side of the family, I have memories of Clint when he was young. Unfortunately, distance and other circumstances led to disconnect. I saw Clint for the last time several years ago. But the fact that we had that family connection creates sorrow at his untimely passing. Thoughts and prayers for his family and friends as they deal with this unexpected loss.

Cindy Smith Outlaw - August 25, 2021 at 11:44 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Clint & Carla Smith.



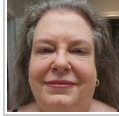
August 25, 2021 at 10:10 AM

KI

“ Met Carla by chance on the internet when I commented on some research she was doing on Murder in Coweta County. She was searching for more information on Dr. Herman Jones who did the forensic work on the case. I commented that he had been like a grandfather to me and it just took off from there. We became good friends finding out we shared a love of photography, the arts, and our faith in God. We were to go to the Van Gough Exhibit on September 8 together.....sadly that will never happen. I am really going to miss her and Clint too. We both immediately felt we had know each other for years. Taken way to soon and she will never get to finish her book on Dr. Jones. She had grabbed onto it like a bulldog with a bone. Rest In Peace my friends....😭



Kathleen Ingram - August 25, 2021 at 09:37 AM



*She was so looking forward to writing the book, and I was looking forward to being her cheer-leading section while she did it. Our last outing was to buy the computer she was going to write it with. We lost a treasure. She would have loved the Van Gogh exhibit. She was looking forward to going.*

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**Pam Criswell** - August 25, 2021 at 08:01 PM

KI

*Pam,*

*Could you please email me your contact info. I would love to talk to you for a minute. kingram@tds.net. Just cannot wrap my head around all this.*

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**Kathleen Ingram** - August 26, 2021 at 09:18 AM

JC

“ *Clint my friend I enjoyed the talks on the phone and we had some fun I will miss you*

*joe creel*

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**Joe T Creel** - August 24, 2021 at 11:37 PM

DB

“ *Your family is in my thoughts and prayers as you come to grips with this terrible loss. I met Carla when we lived in Senoia years ago. We ended up in a Bunco group together for a few years. She was so funny and creative. Clint was her rock. My heart breaks for their daughter and all of their family.*

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**Debbie Baumgardner** - August 24, 2021 at 11:33 PM

GM

“ We are sorry. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Love you ❤️

*Gina and Sallem Ghrayri*



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**Gina McConahy** - August 24, 2021 at 07:55 PM

BG

“ Oh where to begin? Carla spent many hours at our antique store questioning everything about Newnan History, Newnan buildings, Newnan families... and documented everything in her books. We were honored to have Carla and Clint live with us for 6 months after their house was overcome with mold. Never in the way, never complain, never having bad words to say about anyone, quick to repay a debt... honesty and integrity applied equally to each of them. And while being quite outgoing each was humble in his/her own way - never full of them selves. Carla was a cross between a ham and a bulldog - outgoing and always with a laugh. Clint was more reserved but would laugh at most anything if it were really funny. They did have a serious side but seldom forced on others. And they were both diligent in their work - Carla with her dogged investigation for information for her books and Clint over at Kia, always excited about the next new model. And while they faced many hardships and troubles they never gave up and were always appreciative of any help or even a kind word - they never forgot a kindness. These were two very special people and they will be missed.

*Carol and Banks Glover*

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**Banks Glover** - August 24, 2021 at 05:03 PM

SW

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with ya'll during this difficult time.

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**Susan Whatley** - August 24, 2021 at 04:39 PM