



## Donald "Donnie" Anthony Watts

January 23, 1951 - January 27, 2026

On January 27, 2026, Donald Anthony Watts of Newnan peacefully said goodbye to his family and friends on earth and was joyfully reunited with the loved ones who had gone before him. Waiting to welcome him home were his parents, Jack Watts and Virginia Williams Stowe; his brother, Jackie Watts; his sister, Cheryl Hardy; his beloved daughter, Tammy Ayers; and his mother-in-law, Sara Vinson.

Those who remain will miss him deeply, yet were richly blessed to have had him in their lives. He is survived by his loving wife of nearly 51 years, Cathy Vinson Watts; his daughter, Stacie Watts Helton, and her husband, Kenny; son-in-law Jeff Ayers; his brother and sister-in-law, Johnny and Ruth Watts; his sister, Anne Jenerou; and sister-in-law Judy Watts. He also leaves behind cherished grandchildren: Brittney Abraham and her husband, Jason; Justin Ayers and his companion, Lacey Robbins; Miranda Grayer and her husband, Jimell; and Riley Helton. There are also 2 beautiful great-granddaughters, Jovie Ann Ayers and Aryiah Rose Grayer.

Donnie was a humble and gentle man, quiet by nature, yet when he spoke, his words were often packed with humor and quick wit. He worked faithfully throughout his life, first as a painter, later as a truck driver hauling dynamite, and most recently with Owens Corning. In his quieter moments, he found joy in fishing, reading western novels, and watching classic westerns on

television-especially Gunsmoke, which held a special place in his heart.

The family is sad to see him go, but rest assured that he has a new body in Jesus, and today he is a very rich man. As we say goodbye for now, like Festus said best, "Reckon I'll see you down the trail. Dodge City just won't be the same without ya".

The family will receive friends and loved ones on Monday, February 2nd, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at McKoon's Funeral Home. A funeral service will follow at 4:00 p.m., after which Donnie will be laid to rest at Oak Hill Cemetery. The service will be officiated by his son-in-law, Kenny Helton, and his nephew, Rocky Smith.

Condolences may be expressed online at [www.mckoon.com](http://www.mckoon.com)

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory (770) 253-4580

# Cemetery Details

## Oak Hill Cemetery

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 2. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

McKoon Funeral Home  
38 Jackson Street  
Newnan, GA 30263

## Funeral Service

FEB 2. 4:00 PM - 4:40 PM (ET)

McKoon Funeral Home Chapel  
38 Jackson Street  
Newnan, GA 30263

# Tribute Wall



“ *McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory created a Webcast in memory of Donald "Donnie" Anthony Watts*



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**McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory** - February 02 at 11:22 AM

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“ *I just found out about my Ex Co-Worker Mr. Donnie Watts Better known to us at Owenscorning as "Dynamite". I worked with Dynamite for over 15+ years & I am just not saying this at this Difficult time but He was one of the Greatest People I have ever Met & Worked with. He was one of the few People that worked with me that I never had to give him the Assignment for the day but once & just get out of his way and just let him do his job. Never had to check behind him because he took pride in doing his job. My Condolences to his Wife, Kids & His Entire Family. This one Really Hurts because he was just a simple, kind hearted, Easy Going Proudfer Real Man. I will always Remember His Favorite Saying that He Would say to people that didn't want to do there Job & ask to many Questions. LOL, I Qoute " DON'T WORRY ABOUT THE MULE JUST LOAD THE WAGON" End of Quote!!!! R.I.H. my Friend until we meet again You Were The BEST.*

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**Joe Arnold** - February 03 at 03:10 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Donald "Donnie" Anthony Watts.*



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February 02 at 11:24 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Donald "Donnie" Anthony Watts.*



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February 01 at 12:38 PM



“ *Anne, I'm so sorry to hear about Donnie. I haven't seen him since we were teenagers, but I still remember him. I'm praying for you and the family. May God comfort and bless each and every one of you.*

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**Dorothy Williford** - January 31 at 04:26 PM



“ *So sorry to hear about Donnie. I did not see him for many years . He was a good man and I thought about him several times over the years but did not know how contact him. I played Drums for his brother Jackie for several years when we all were very young. It seems so long ago now.*

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**John " JUNIOR " Coshnitzke** - January 31 at 02:49 PM