



Douglas G. Pitkin

March 13, 1943 - December 26, 2020

Douglas Gary Pitkin, Sr (77) of Newnan, GA passed away peacefully in his home with his loving wife Joanne, youngest daughter Alison, and dedicated CNA Debra, by his side. He was called by his Heavenly Father in the early morning of December 26, 2020, after a long battle with Lewy Body Dementia. Doug was a beloved husband of 49 years and loving father of 4, including his other 3 children, Douglas Pitkin II (Courtney), Angel Owens (Jimmy), and Aimee Sears (Scott). He was dearly loved by his 8 grandchildren: Logan, Madison, Jordan, Ashton, Kaitlyn, Elena, Diego, and Ethan.

Born and raised in East Hartford, CT, he and Joanne moved their growing family to Ohio in the early years of their marriage. He was the PTA President at his kids' school because he felt like it was key to take an active role in something so important. He always liked to say that the school years were the best years of one's life. He and Joanne were also active in CFM, a Catholic families group, until they moved to North Carolina. After seeing the fruits of participating in their small church group in Ohio, they helped to start a CFM chapter at their new parish in Charlotte.

After several vacations to Florida, Doug and Joanne decided to move further south. Three of their children accompanied them on their move to the Sunshine State where Doug and Joanne entered into the stage of watching their family of six grow again, by becoming in-laws and grandparents. In 2005, they followed Alison and her family to GA where they were blessed to be actively involved in the lives of their children and grandchildren.

Doug had a great sense of humor and was always telling jokes and making people laugh. Even when Lewy Body Dementia began to show its symptoms, he would still jokingly say that his double vision gave him "two for the price of one." Lewy Body Dementia robbed Doug of normal day to day activities for nearly 4 years. The one thing this terrible disease never completely stole was Doug's ability to make those around him break into laughter.

As his disease progressed, Joanne decided that she didn't want him to spend the final stages of LBD in a nursing facility. She lovingly and courageously took on the role of his caregiver with the amazing help of all the wonderful people from hospice. This started with Gentiva in 2017 and continued from 2019 to the present with Sacred Journey. Joanne was thrilled to have Doug there with her as they continued to welcome their family and friends into their warm and loving home.

As hard as it is for his family to say goodbye to such a special man, they take great comfort in knowing that he is now healed in God's loving hands, and he's surely making everyone in Heaven laugh with him.

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory (770) 253-4580.

Cemetery Details

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory

38 Jackson Street
Newnan, GA 30263
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Previous Events

Service

JAN 15. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. George Catholic Church
771 Roscoe Rd
Newnan, GA 30263

Tribute Wall

DI

“ *My brother Doug has gone to Heaven and is not touched by the disease that gave him aches and pains! His older brother Donald! Loved you so much!*

Donald H Pitkin II - January 23, 2021 at 04:41 PM

JD

“ *Joanne and all the rest of Doug's precious family,
I send my sympathy & love to all of you. I was honored to know Doug for many years & to visit with him & the rest of the family. I will miss him. All of you are, and have been, in my thoughts & prayers & will continue to be.*

*Love,
Joanne*



JOANNE M DAVIS - January 17, 2021 at 10:41 PM

JH

“ *We always enjoyed the Pitkin family when they lived across the street in Charlotte NC. I remember Doug's sense of humor and the families kindness. Please know that we pray for the family's comfort in this difficult time.*

Jamie and Dianne Horton

Jamie and Dianne Horton - January 15, 2021 at 08:11 PM

MC

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



McKoon - January 15, 2021 at 12:38 PM

VB

“ My deepest and heartfelt condolences on Doug's passing. He was a good friend and great neighbor in Charlotte as were you all! Your family will be in my prayers! Love you all!!!

Van Beam - January 15, 2021 at 10:19 AM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Douglas G. Pitkin.



January 14, 2021 at 11:36 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Douglas G. Pitkin.



January 13, 2021 at 05:19 PM



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January 13, 2021 at 04:13 AM



“ *"Poppa D" became more of a father to me than anyone else in my life...even after already racking up two fathers of my own before I ever met him. He welcomed me into his family and always treated me as one of his own. Doug was also a man of great humor who could always find a way to not take everything so seriously, generously providing ample opportunities for me to participate in a well timed off color joke! It has been an honor knowing this man for over 20 years. I am ever grateful for all the good times and memories we shared.*

Jimmy - January 13, 2021 at 03:47 AM



“ *I don't remember many times when Doug wasn't smiling~cracking a joke that would make me giggle or roll my eyes. Through jokes, mannerisms and quips, he loved to make people happy. The love and devotion Doug and Joanne had for each other was present throughout their marriage. How blessed were they! So Doug, I'll be donning my party hat in your honor (as you would expect nothing less of me). Thank you for all the happy, loving memories.*

Fran - January 12, 2021 at 01:34 PM

MR

“ *I love this family. They are the most welcoming group of people I have ever met. Doug as leader left an indelible impression on me. Family first. A great man. To the family, I offer my heartfelt condolences. I truly believe all have an ear in any demise. Cruelty is they can't tell you how much they miss you too.*

Michael Rioual - January 12, 2021 at 12:49 PM



“ *A New Sunrise Spray was purchased for the family of Douglas G. Pitkin.*



January 12, 2021 at 12:36 PM