



## Frank Marion Barron, Sr.

October 19, 1906 - October 8, 2007

Frank Marion “Bo” Barron, Sr. was born, prematurely, October 19, 1906, the ninth of 12 children of the late Charles J. and Laura Haines Barron. At the time of his birth, Bo was so tiny that he would have fit in a shoe box! In addition to his parents, Mr. Barron was preceded in death by a son- in -law Bob Blalock and a grandson Frank M. "Bo" Barron III. In his youth, he was a member of Boy Scouts. He became a Christian and was baptized at Central Baptist Church by Dr. Hardy. He was dedicated to attending Sunday School and the Kellam Barron Class and was faithful in his attendance up into his nineties.

“Mr. Bo” attended Newnan high School where he was a star athlete in four sports. In spite of his small stature, he overcompensated with drive and determination. He lettered in football, track, basketball and baseball. His speed and quickness were big assets and he used them in all sports. Bo earned four letters in track and was considered by some as the fastest athlete in Georgia. He was a halfback on the football team and was recruited by both The University of Georgia and Georgia Tech. He chose to play for the University of Georgia and recalled that they wore leather helmets at the time. He attended UGA on a football scholarship and was the first in his family to be able to attend college.

He married the love of his life, Emma Foreman Wilkes, on August 26, 1933. The Lord blessed them with three children; Joanna Barron Blalock, Frank M. Barron, Jr. and his wife Linda Hammock Barron and Emma Laura Barron Patrick and her husband Bob. As the family grew blessings were multiplied by the addition of 11 grandchildren, 20 great grandchildren and two great great grandchildren.

Bo possessed a fantastic mind and could remember up until his final days of illness, names and places from years ago. During his life he was a football official, salesperson, and a probation officer for the state. Most importantly, though, he was a gentleman of impeccable character. He was considered to be Coweta County's sports authority and historian. In 2003 he was honored as a Charter Inductee into the Coweta County Sports Hall of Fame. Until the end of his long life he enjoyed nothing more than sharing with family and friends his knowledge and memories.

Aside from sports, Bo's family revered him as their own living legend. His loving and Christian manner established an example for all in the way that life should be lived; how others should be loved and how everyone benefited from sharing with others those blessings we are fortunate enough to possess. Family ties were precious to him and that legacy will be cherished as time goes on.

Funeral arrangements are by McKoon Funeral Home at 38 Jackson Street in

Newnan where the family will receive friends on Wednesday evening from 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM. The funeral service for Mr. Barron will be on Thursday, October 11, 2007 at 2:00 PM at Central Baptist Church in Newnan with Dr. Joel E. Richardson officiating. Interment will be at Oak Hill Cemetery. The family has requested that flowers be omitted and that Mr. Barron's memory be honored by memorial contributions to Central Baptist Church of Newnan P.O. Box 1221 Newnan Georgia 30264. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.mckoon.com](http://www.mckoon.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Oak Hill Cemetery

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **10.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Service

OCT **11.** 2:00 PM (ET)

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