

## Franklin Chase Higgins

June 14, 1988 - December 15, 2016

Franklin Chase Higgins was a young man of big dreams and immense talent. On the morning of December 15, 2016, his day began much like any other as he left his home and headed to Greenville High School for another day of instilling his love of learning in the minds of his students. That day, however, would be the day that he would come face to face with the God in heaven that he loved so deeply and to whom he had dedicated his life. Chase was born in Newnan on June 14, 1988. He attended Newnan High School where he first developed a love for music and participated in the marching band. He also played lacrosse. Following his graduation in 2006 he attended Texas State University and graduated in 2015 with a degree in physics and a minor in applied mathematics. He taught math at Greenville High School. Chase was a person of great passions that found expression in his music. Open mic nights were a great opportunity for him to grab a guitar and belt out a few tunes. His great love of the outdoors would lead him to many happy days swimming and fishing or romping with his faithful dog companion Gamble. Foremost in his life, though, were his love for the God who created him and his love for his family. He was active in and dedicated to the youth ministry of Crossroads church. While Chase's life may have been shorter than some, his impact was heartfelt in the lives of his family, friends and students who benefitted from his life of love and service. Chase is survived by his parents Jaime and Melanie King Higgins of Moreland; his brother Levi T. Higgins and his sister Bonnie Hussey and her husband Zack of Seattle WA. His grandparents are Gwyn and

Tom Wills of Olar, SC; Terry and Betty King of Pinson, AL. His nieces are Gracie and Delilah Hussey and his nephew is Noah Hussey. There is an extended family of aunts, uncles and cousins. Visitation with the family will be on Sunday evening between 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM. Chase's life will be fondly remembered in a service in the chapel of McKoon Funeral Home on Monday, December 19, 2016 at 2:00 PM led by Chase's friend, Pastor John Hobbs. It is suggested that those who wish to do so may honor Chase's remarkable life by memorial gifts in his honor to the youth ministry programs of Crossroads Church. Online condolences may be expressed at [www.mckoon.com](http://www.mckoon.com). McKoon Funeral Home 770-253-4580.

# Cemetery Details

## McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory

38 Jackson Street  
Newnan, GA 30263  
(770) 253-4580  
care@mckoon.com  
<http://www.mckoon.com>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**DEC 18.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

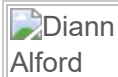
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## Service

**DEC 19.** 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

Diann Alford

“ *Very sorry for the loss of your son, brother, grandson. Prayers for you all. From a mother who has lost a child*

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**Diann Alford** - December 20, 2016 at 12:20 PM

JG

“ *Melanie and Jamie...It was so devastating to hear of Chase's accident. There have been too many people I know who have lost children, something I don't think God ever intended. It is just too hard a thing to live through. The other day, I heard someone who had lost a child say, "You eventually get around it...you never get OVER it, you just get AROUND it." Which Ron, who lost his son 25 years ago, totally agrees with.*



*Our prayer for you and Levi is that soon your tears and grief will turn to smiles and laughter when you talk about memories you made with Chase, reminiscing about the fun times and memories.*

*I'm sending you a big hug, Melanie. I love you girl.*

*Peace be with you.*

*Jennie & Ron Gillihan*

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**Jennie Gillihan** - December 19, 2016 at 02:22 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Franklin Chase Higgins.*



December 19, 2016 at 10:17 AM



“ *Chase was in Marching Band with my son Dustin and I had the pleasure of working more closely with him while he worked at Oldcastle while finishing his degree. A sweet, polite young man who will be greatly missed.*

**Faye Iversin** - December 19, 2016 at 05:44 AM



“ *Julie Moore sent a virtual gift in memory of Franklin Chase Higgins*

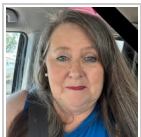


**Julie Moore** - December 19, 2016 at 04:22 AM



*To Chases Family Our thoughts are with you at this difficult time. All of us at Orchard Hills Golf Club*

**Julie Moore** - December 19, 2016 at 04:23 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with this sweet family. ... Meriwether County Deputy Coroner David Boyd and wife Crystal*

**Crystal Boyd** - December 18, 2016 at 11:32 PM

BW

“ *Bob & Llana Williams purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Franklin Chase Higgins.*



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**Bob & Llana Williams** - December 18, 2016 at 08:36 PM

JR

“ *Bonnie, we are thinking of you and your family. I'm so sorry. May you and your children always feel the love he had for you.*



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**Jess Rotenberg** - December 18, 2016 at 02:34 PM



“ *I am so lucky to have had Chase as my brother. Our relationship as adults was awesome. He loved my children like nothing I have ever seen. He loved coming to visit, and spending time playing with the kids. It was like watching him play like when we were kids again. And he always looked genuinely happy to be in whatever moment he was in with them.*



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**Bonnie Hussey** - December 18, 2016 at 02:01 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Franklin Chase Higgins.



December 18, 2016 at 12:34 PM



“ Kateryna Skutar purchased the Vivid Recollections for the family of Franklin Chase Higgins.



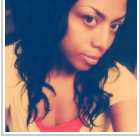
Kateryna Skutar - December 18, 2016 at 11:48 AM



“ 50 files added to the album Life Tributes



McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory - December 18, 2016 at 10:57 AM



“ I was blessed with the opportunity to work and learn with Chase. As first year teachers, we were each other's support and sounding board. I pray that God showers your family with peace and understanding during this time and times to come.

Belinda Godfrey - December 18, 2016 at 07:37 AM

TF

“ The Harold Alft (Wisconsin) Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Franklin Chase Higgins.



The Harold Alft (Wisconsin) Family - December 17, 2016 at 05:43 PM

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“ Chase's Fall 2006 ATO Pledge Class - LNO purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Franklin Chase Higgins.



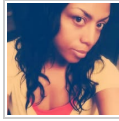
Chase's Fall 2006 ATO Pledge Class - LNO - December 17, 2016 at 05:08 PM

PE

“ What a polite, helpful, funny smart young man who I was lucky enough to get to know and work with everyday. How I will miss trading quips with you, seeing that mischevious twinkle in your eye and hearing you speak in such an affectionate and dedicated way about your family. Sending your family much love and support, your fellow teacher Ms. Ervin



patricia ervin - December 17, 2016 at 03:43 PM



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**Belinda Godfrey** - December 18, 2016 at 07:39 AM

RB

*Jaime, Melanie, Bonnie, and Levi*

*My thoughts and prayers are with you during this very difficult time. While there are miles between us, the memories and love for you are daily in my heart. Blessings and Love, Rhonda Blake*

*For those wishing to donate to the Youth Ministry Programs at Crossroads Church in memory of Chase, please do so at <http://www.crossroadsonline.org/give/> (If you use the online link, please remember to select Thomas Crossroads) or you can donate by mail: Crossroads Church, 2564 Highway 154, Newnan, GA 30265.*

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**Rhonda Blake** - December 18, 2016 at 11:46 AM



*My heart is with you Melanie, Jamie, Levi, and Bonnie. Chase was my baby a lot of years. So sorry I can't be there because of my health. God be with you .*

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**Gary Key** - December 18, 2016 at 09:51 PM