



## Joseph Howard Lawson, III

March 11, 1975 - December 24, 2009

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Joseph Howard Lawson, III

Joseph Howard Lawson, III, age 34, of Athens, formerly of Newnan, died Thursday, December 24, 2009. He was born March 11, 1975 in Atlanta to Joseph H. Lawson, Jr. & Martha Walls Lawson. He was preceded in death by father, Joseph H. Lawson, Jr.; grandparents, Joseph Howard Lawson, Martha Bihl Walls, and Olen Walls.

Joe grew up in Newnan and graduated from The Heritage School in 1993. He attended the University of Georgia where he, like his father, was a member of the Kappa Alpha Order.

The funeral is Tuesday, December 29, 2009 at 3:00 pm graveside at Sharpsburg Baptist Church Cemetery, 6413 Hwy 54, Sharpsburg, GA 30277 with Dr. Gil Watson officiating. The family respectfully requests that flowers not be sent and memorial contributions be made to the Laura Crandall Brown Ovarian Cancer Foundation, 2191 Summer Ridge Dr., Birmingham, AL 35266. Condolences may be sent to the family online at [www.mckoon.com](http://www.mckoon.com)

He is survived by his mother, Martha Walls Lawson of Athens; brother, Brittain (Eleanor) Lawson of Newnan; grandmother, Gladys Bridges Lawson of Atlanta; numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins.

McKoon Funeral Home (770) 253-4580



# Cemetery Details

## Sharpsburg Baptist Church Cemetery

Highway 54  
Sharpsburg, GA 30277

# Previous Events

## Service

DEC **29**. 3:00 PM.

Graveside

# Tribute Wall

CM

“ *Marti & Family: I was saddened to hear of Joe's death. It is hard to know what words will comfort at this time, but we love you and are praying for God's peace to come to you that you may endure this great sadness and return to us soon. Cliff McGaughey Jr.*

Cliff McGaughey - January 04, 2010 at 11:18 AM

KS

“ *Marti, You are such a huge part of my life and my heart, and your loss is one I can't possibly understand. If you need anything, just let me know.*

Kelley Silver - December 31, 2009 at 05:24 PM

TR

“ *Ms. Marti, Brittain, & Eleanor I wanted to express my deepest condolences to all of you. I have many fond memories of Joe during the time we worked and lived together. I was so sorry to hear today of his untimely passing. Joe was a great guy and will be greatly missed by a lot of people. My Father and I will keep your family in our prayers. If there is anything we can do, please do not hesitate to call. Brittain give me a call once you all have had some time. With Deepest Sympathy, Tom C. Rhoden (404)889-2592*

Tom Rhoden - December 30, 2009 at 03:58 PM

MS

“ *I'm terribly sorry for the loss. I was a pledge brother of his at UGA. As noted by another friend here, you could always count on Joe for a smile.*

Mitch Scharf - December 30, 2009 at 01:58 PM

CS

“ Dear Marti, I remember when you taught with me at ECHS. There really are no words; here is a Celtic benediction - Deep peace of the running wave to you. Deep peace of the flowing air to you. Deep peace of the quiet earth to you. Deep peace of the shining stars to you. Deep peace of the Son of Peace to you. Holding you close in prayer- Carol Lee Shankel

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**Carol Lee Shankel** - December 30, 2009 at 12:54 PM

SC

“ Dear Marti and Brittain: I have just heard, and want to express how sorry I am for your loss. You could always count on Joe the Third for a smile--he will be missed.

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**Steve Campbell** - December 30, 2009 at 03:21 AM

EK

“ We are so saddened by the loss of Joe. Joe was a dear friend to Ryan and I. His smile lit up the room and our memories of him will forever be fond. We are so sorry and thinking of you often.

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**Emily Kleiber** - December 29, 2009 at 08:53 PM

MU

“ Marti, Having missed Joe's high school/college/ adult years, I shall always carry Joe, the child, with me. He and Benjie became fast friends when they were--what?--three? Often he was in our home-- and even more often was Benjie in yours. He was a GREAT kid!! Lots of fun times come to mind, I chuckle picturing the two boys, age 4 or so, standing up in the back seat of my car, sans seatbelts, thrying to outdo each other with "bad words." The discourse went: "tee tee, tee tee tee tee, poo poo, poo poo poo poo." amidst gales of laughter. As I said, he was a wonderful kid--always a pleasure to be with. And I'm so very sad and sorry for you monumental loss. With love, Marky

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**Marky Underwood** - December 29, 2009 at 07:09 PM

SL

“ Ms. Marti, My deepest sympathies go out to you and your family. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. I will miss seeing Joe each day. Sincerely, Shannon Lewis Your downstairs neighbor

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**Shannon Lewis** - December 29, 2009 at 06:40 PM

BA

“ I am so priviledged to have known Joe in college. At UGA, we all ran within a very tight-knit group of friends - a group that won't be the same without Joe. I'll always remember his warmth and his wit.

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**Blair Andrews** - December 29, 2009 at 05:16 PM

DC

“ Marti, Brittain and Eleanor: I am so very sorry for your loss. I know there are no words that can reconcile this tragedy. I will keep you in my prayers with a sincere hope that you will feel the love that so many people have for you.

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**Dee Crouch** - December 29, 2009 at 05:14 PM

BC

“ I am deeply saddened with this tragic news. Joe was an outstanding person. My sincere condolences go out to his family. He will be missed.

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**Brian Chapman** - December 29, 2009 at 05:03 PM

SB

“ Marti and Brittain, We were so saddened to hear of your loss. We remember Joe with his infectious smile and laughter. We are praying for you and your family at this difficult time. Steve and June Beers

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**Steve and June Beers** - December 29, 2009 at 02:17 PM

NB

“ Marti, Losing a child is the most painful thing a mom can ever experience. Having lost a son, I know that pain. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Nita

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**Nita Bakay** - December 29, 2009 at 11:28 AM

GJ

“ I wanted to extend my deepest condolences to you and your family. During this difficult time, allow the good memories to fill your mind and give you strength. I am, again, sorry for your lose. Ginette Johnson

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**Ginette Johnson** - December 29, 2009 at 11:11 AM

LS

“ Marty and family We were so sorry to hear about "Little Joe". Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you.

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**Lynn & Charlie Smith** - December 29, 2009 at 11:00 AM

CS

“ Ms. Marti and Brittain, Jackie and I were very sorry to here the news of Joe's passing. He was a wonderful guy that will be missed tremendously. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family in this difficult time. Colin and Jackie Stokes

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**Colin Stokes** - December 29, 2009 at 10:49 AM

JB

“ Marti, I cannot imagine what you are going through. I send my deepest condolences to you in your time of grief. Know that when you come home I will be here for you.

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**Jennifer Byrd** - December 29, 2009 at 10:01 AM

LM

“ Dear Marti and Brittain, I am so sorry about the loss of Joe. I have so many fond memories of him during his childhood. He was always full of spunk and laughter and was polite and respectful of others. He will be missed by everyone who knew him. You will be in my thoughts and prayers at this difficult time.

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**Linda Mitchell** - December 29, 2009 at 09:15 AM

MC

“ Dear Marti and Brittain: Please know we have you in our prayers. Joe was a ' Hale Fellow well met.' . . . always a good, pleasant guest, adding humor & wit to every gathering. He had everything, but years. We honor his memory and the times spent together. Fondly, Judge and Mrs. Jack Camp Mr. and Mrs. Harry Camp Ms. Sophia Rose Camp

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**Mrs. Jack Camp** - December 29, 2009 at 05:38 AM

EL

“ I am so sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers.  
*Elizabeth Sosby Ledbetter*

ElizabethSosby Ledbetter - December 28, 2009 at 08:15 PM

EH

“ Marti and Brittian, I was so very sorry to hear about Joe. He was one of my favorites as he always had such beautiful manners and was a pleasure to talk to. You and your entire family are in my prayers !

Emory Holland - December 28, 2009 at 04:43 PM

DW

“ We both loved Joe very much! Our heart felt thoughts and prayers are with the Lawson family now and forever.

David Waters & Katherine Waters - December 28, 2009 at 03:29 PM

AA

“ Dear Ms. Marti and Brittain, We are so saddened to hear about Joe. Your family will be in our thoughts and prayers. John & Sandy Stuckey; John Ward & Nicole Stuckey; Joe & Aaron Flannery

Aaron - December 28, 2009 at 02:07 PM

LA

“ Marti, I was saddened to learn of your son's passing. Please accept my heart felt condolences. I am thinking of you and your family and will continue to do so. Linda Albinger

Linda Albinger - December 28, 2009 at 11:57 AM

JA

“ *Marti and Brittain, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Jane*

**Jane Weddington Anderson** - December 28, 2009 at 08:15 AM

KB

“ *I always smile when I think of Joe. Marti and Brittain, warm memories fill my heart as I pray for you and your family.*

**Kirsten Giddings Beard** - December 27, 2009 at 09:04 PM

SE

“ *My prayers are with you Martha. Do not be burdened with what you have no control over, just look forward to the time when your family will be reunited and without pain. Sharon (Gilbert) Ely*

**Sharon Gilbert Ely** - December 27, 2009 at 11:22 AM

EL

“ *Dear Marti and Brittain, You all are in our foremost thoughts. I am so sorry. Elizabeth and Zandy Zechella*

**Elizabeth** - December 27, 2009 at 08:30 AM

PG

“ *We have great memories of Joe with our family and we are so sad for your family. If we can do anything let us know.*

**Pam And Jack Giles** - December 26, 2009 at 08:08 PM

MV

“ *I am so saddened by the news. Joe was a great friend. I don't remember a time with Joe when I wasn't laughing. My heart is aching for your loss Ms. Marti and Brittain.*

**Mark Vincent** - December 26, 2009 at 07:19 PM

MS

“ Ms Marti, Brittain and Eleanor, I extend my deepest condolences to you and your family.

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**Melynda Kassler Stephenson** - December 26, 2009 at 05:15 PM

SH

“ I am a friend of Frances Cheney. I am very sorry for the loss that has occurred for you family. My prayers are for peace in your lives. I am at a loss for word. My Condolences.

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**Sherry Hicks** - December 26, 2009 at 01:41 PM

SA

“ Brittain & Eleanor Please know that Harris and I are thinking of your family during this difficult time. We will continue to pray for healing for months to come for you all. Joe was such a great guy and a friend to us both. He will be missed! Sally & Harris

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**Sally** - December 24, 2009 at 07:27 PM

EE

“ Marti, Brittain and Eleanor, You are in our thoughts and prayers during this most difficult time.

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**Emeline and Edward** - December 24, 2009 at 03:54 PM