



Leroy Hall Johnson

September 8, 1916 - November 8, 2013

Mr. Leroy Hall Johnson, of Turin, Georgia, passed away on November 8, 2013. He was born to the late Rhodes Hall & Nancy Bowers Johnson, on September 8, 1916, in Turin, Georgia. One of five children, he was raised on a cattle farm which later became a productive peach orchard. He graduated from Starr High School and attended West Georgia College. Leroy was married for 74 years to his childhood sweetheart, Ella Hill Brown Johnson. He was a successful farmer and business man. He started the Turin Manufacturing Co. which made and sold concrete blocks across the Southeast. Leroy was a member of Turin Baptist church where he served as deacon and treasurer. He was a long time member of the Senoia Lions Club and the Cattleman's Association, where he served as president for both organizations. He was also a charter member of the Cattleman's Association. He was a strong supporter and member of the Coweta County 4-H programs and a trustee of the Starr High Board of Education.

He had a strong personal commitment to Coweta County through his service on the Turin City Council and as a Coweta County Commissioner for 38 years where he served as Chairman of the Board for many of those years. He succeeded his father, Rhodes H. Johnson, as commissioner. As a Commissioner, he was a leader in the development of the county water system and instrumental in preserving the B.T. Brown Reservoir to meet the future water demands of Coweta County. He was a strong supporter of the recreational programs, fire department, and ambulance service for all of Coweta County. He also helped develop the Shenandoah Industrial Park in order to help balance the tax base for the county, and he worked to solve critical solid waste disposal problems to meet the federal health and safety requirements.

Coweta County and the state of Georgia benefited from his leadership roles and many years of service as president and board member of the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia. He received the Association's Distinguished Service Award for dedication and service to all the counties of Georgia.

More important to Leroy than all of his accolades was his desire to be remembered as a

loving family member and a loyal and a faithful friend to all. Leroy is survived by his wife, Ella Hill, and his three daughters, Corille and husband, Clark Hudson, Jane and husband, Ned Chambless, and Leroyce and husband, Gary Wright. He has eight grandchildren: Tom Hudson and wife Christi, Cheryl Mitcham and husband, Link, Amy Riley and husband, Lee, Lori Drake and husband, Taylor, Russell Chambless and wife, Carrie, Josh Wright, Jarrod Wright and wife, Margaret, and Maggie Wright. He had 12 great-grandchildren. Leroy was affectionately called "Pops" by the grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Funeral services are by McKoon Funeral Home at 38 Jackson Street in Newnan. Visitation with the family will be on Monday, November 11, 2013 between 5:00 and 8:00PM. The funeral service will be Tuesday, November 12, 2013 at 11:00AM in the chapel of McKoon Funeral Home with Rev. John McDuffie and Dr. Joel Richardson officiating. Interment will be in Oak Hill Cemetery.

Mr. Johnson's memory may be acknowledged by flowers or memorial contributions to the Turin Baptist Church, P.O. Box 99, Turin, Georgia 30289 or the American Cancer Society at cancer.org or 1-800-227-2345 ext.2.

Cemetery Details

Oak Hill Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 11. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Service

NOV 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

McKoon Funeral Home Chapel
38 Jackson Street
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<http://www.mckoon.com>

Tribute Wall

HN

“ To the family of Mr Leroy: We are very sorry to hear about the loss of Mr Leroy. He was such a fine southern gentleman and done more for Coweta county than anyone else will ever do. He will really be missed. Hershall and Rochelle

Hershall & Rochelle Norred - November 13, 2013 at 10:34 AM

CS

“ Ms. Johnson and Family, I just heard the news of Mr. Leroy's passing. My father Mr. Hayward always had highly respect for him. I can remember as a little girl in 4-H when Mr. Leroy would always compliment me for my comittment to my daddy for entering our steer. As all of the Bishop family, we have memories of Mr. Johnson for his com mitment to our county, and to all of the farmers. Peace be with you! Connie, Linda, Martha, Jerry, Perry and Roy Bishop and our loving parents Mr. Hayward and Ms. Hazel Bishop

Connie Bishop Sharp - November 12, 2013 at 11:13 PM

CC

“ We will truly miss Leroy. He was a wonderful man and such a wonderful influence on so many lives. The family is in our thoughts and prayers through this tough time. He will be missed so much at Turin Baptist Church.

Carl and Amy Camp - November 12, 2013 at 01:40 PM

JY

“ Our sincere sympathy to the Johnson Family. Mr. Leroy is going to be greatly missed. We never saw him without a smile and a hug or hand shake. Make he rest in peace. Our love to you Mrs. Ella Hill.

Jack & Pam Youngblood - November 12, 2013 at 11:00 AM

DG

“ Jane I'm sorry to hear about your dad. Will keep you and your family in our prayers. Donna Gordon, Stacie and Ryan

Donna Gordon - November 12, 2013 at 08:36 AM

MH

“ To the Johnson Family: We were so saddened to hear of Mr. Leroy's death. He was not only a peer in his community, but also all of Coweta County. He will always be remembered for his great leadership and accomplishments for the citizens of this county. Our thoughts and prayers go out to all of the family. Mary Elizabeth & Lawson Hughie Johnnie O'Brien

Mary Elizabeth Hughie - November 11, 2013 at 09:48 PM

JW

“ So sorry to hear about Mr.Leroy's death. He was such a fine Southern gentleman who has left a wonderful legacy to his children and grandchildren. Thank you for sharing him with the community all these years and for allowing him to leave such a legacy to the citizens of Coweta County...he will be missed by so many....Judi and Mike

Judi Woth - November 11, 2013 at 12:46 PM

RS

“ So sorry for your loss. Will miss seeing him and miss all of our talks about how to grow tomatoes, okra, and growing vegetables. We did not know Mr.Leroy very long, but always looked forward to talking with him and Mrs. Johnson. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of the family.

Rocky's Barber Shop - November 11, 2013 at 09:40 AM

GW

“ Ms. Ella, Jane and Ned, we are so sad to hear of Mr. Leroy's passing. There are special people who touch lives where ever they go and never meets a stranger - this was Mr. Leroy. Always trying to help others and always with a smile and kind word. Our prayers and thoughts are with you all during this difficult time. Heaven has welcomed a faithful worker home. Tommy and Gail Walker

Gail Walker - November 11, 2013 at 09:36 AM

LW

“ Corille, I was so sorry to hear of your dad's passing. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. You had him here with you for many years, so hang on to the many memories. You all will miss him I know, but remember that he's resting in a better place. Take care.

Leroyce Williams - November 10, 2013 at 06:47 PM

BD

“ Ella Hill & Family, Love and prayer to each of you in the homegoing of Leroy after a long and blessed life. May our loving Lord comfort you with sweet memories.
Betty Darden

Betty Bowers Darden - November 10, 2013 at 04:28 PM

DJ

“ Mrs. Johnson and Family, We were so sorry to hear of Mr. Leroy's passing, God knows his plan for our lives. We always considered you and your Family, our Friends. May God give you Peace, love and understanding during this difficult time. God loves you and we do too, Don and Mildred Jones

Don and Mildred Jones - November 10, 2013 at 03:36 PM

RM

“ We are thinking about all of you at this time, our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Mr. Leroy influence in this county will be present for many generations, thank you Mr, Leroy. To the Johnson family thank you for being such good friends to my family.

Ray & Julianne McKnight - November 10, 2013 at 10:26 AM

EW

“ Mr. Leroy was a wonderful man and will be missed. He was a great commissioner and I am honored to have worked for him. Please know that my family sends condolences to the Johnson family.

Eva Wagner - November 09, 2013 at 11:53 PM

CR

“ Our hearts are filled with sadness by the loss of Mr Leroy Johnson! To all of his family we are holding you in our hearts and most of all our prayers ! Mr Leroy will be missed by all of us ! He leaves a great legacy in family. He was a "gentle giant " that just got things done! We are honored to have known him !!

Chris and Alice Ramsey - November 09, 2013 at 09:01 PM

JN

“ Miss Ella, we were so sorry to learn about Leroy. You have both been so good to us over the years and we always enjoyed our visits with you. We will miss him dearly. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. God bless you all.

John & Michelle Nasworthy - November 09, 2013 at 08:00 PM

BJ

“ Barry and I are so saddened by the death of Mr. Leroy. Know that he is in a much better place and will suffer no more. Our thoughts and prayers are with the entire family at this time.

Barry and Ruby Ann Jackson - November 09, 2013 at 02:36 PM

SW

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with ya'll during this difficult time.

Susan and Ronnie Whatley - November 09, 2013 at 12:55 PM

MY

“ Mr. Leroy was a leader and had a passion for Coweta County. His footprints will forever be a part of our county. He and Mrs Ella are the most gracious couple. Always a smile on their face and a kind word to say. He will be missed. Our prayers to the Family.

Mike Yeager - November 09, 2013 at 10:25 AM

BW

“ Mrs. Johnson, Corille, Jane, and Leroyce, we have just learned of the passing of Mr. Leroy. Our thoughts and prayers go out to all of you at this sad time. Mr. Leroy was a great husband, father, grandfather, and friend. Our county will always be indebted to him for all of the accomplishments he helped complete as county commissioner. He was a friend of all of the people. He always had a kind word and smile to give everytime you saw him. All of you have been in our daily prayers, and out church prayer chain, and you will continue to be remembered and prayed for. Our love to all of you, Beth and Jimmy

Beth and Jimmy Walker - November 09, 2013 at 10:22 AM

CG

“ His influence in Coweta County will be felt for generations to come. But, it's so hard to lose a husband, father and a "Pops." Thinking of you all.

Cheryl Coggin Glisson - November 09, 2013 at 09:51 AM