



## Richard Lewis Day

January 18, 1937 - October 28, 2019

Richard Lewis “Dick” Day, of Senoia, GA passed away October 28, 2019. Dick was born in Kansas on his mother’s birthday, January 18, 1937, the fourth child of Kendall and Mary Louise (Clarke) Day. As a youth he held the Kansas City, Kansas middle distance track record and was an avid “birder” which undoubtedly contributed to his love of flying. Following his military service as a naval pilot, he joined an expanding regional airline in 1964 – Delta Airlines and retired as a senior captain in 1997.

Dick married the love of his life, Gayle Seeman in 1964. Gayle passed away on December 12, 2001 after a long battle with cancer.

Dick’s Catholic faith was a constant and strong influence in his life demonstrated in the way he lived his life, his love for family and in his interaction with his community. A member of St. George Catholic Church in Newnan, Georgia, he served for many years as an usher at the early Sunday morning mass. He regularly and generously contributed to various charitable and non-profit organizations and institutions. Further, he was a dedicated conservationist and outdoorsman. He enjoyed yearly hunting trips to the Dakotas and his native Kansas with family and friends.

He is survived by his daughter Andrea (Tim) Willis, Granddaughters Caitlyn and Alexis Willis and Grandson Benjamin Willis. Daughter Rachael (Randall)

Harper, Granddaughters Tina and Tessa Harper and Grandson Garrett Sanders. His brother Michael (Brenda) Day of St. Francis, Kansas, sister – in – law, Nedra Day of Phoenix, Arizona, along with numerous nephews, nieces and friends.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Gayle Seeman Day, along with his parents and four of his five siblings.

A memorial mass will be held on Monday, November 4, 2019 at 11:00 am at St. George Catholic Church, in Newnan, GA, with Father Henry Atem officiating. Friends may visit the family at McKoon Funeral Home on Sunday evening from 5:00 pm until 6:00 pm. Military Honors by the United States Navy and a Rosary Service will start at 6:00 pm.

In lieu of flowers a donation in Dick's honor to Donnelly College, Office of Advancement, 608 N. 18th Street, Kansas City, KS 66102 would be appreciated.

Condolences may be made to the family online at [www.mckoon.com](http://www.mckoon.com).

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory | 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

NOV 3. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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

## Service

NOV 4. 11:00 AM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall

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“ *I have many fond memories of Dick and my Dad together and him visiting at my house. My condolences to Andrea, Rachael and family.*

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**Cheryl Cole Hyde** - November 09, 2019 at 08:26 AM

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“ *Deepest Sympathy. Have never forgotten the fun halloween party at "The Days" bonfire and all.*

*Your mom telling me, in that first house she had to put the buttlar in the fridge to get it warm enough to mix the cookies. Good people.*

*Bil and Mary Fowler*

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**Capt. Bil Fowler** - November 03, 2019 at 08:27 PM

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“ *Andrea, Tim and Family,*

*Please accept our condolences on the passing of your father (father-in-law and grandfather). We offer you our thoughts, prayers and well wishes. May the Lord bless and comfort you and your family in this time of grief.*

*The Morra Family*

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**Chris Morra** - November 03, 2019 at 12:24 PM



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard Lewis Day.*



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November 02, 2019 at 12:12 PM



“ *Dick and Gayle were both great people and great neighbors. Dick and my late husband, Jack, were close friends, played golf together, and competed at story telling. It is an honor to have known him and his family and will cherish the many great memories.*



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**Elaine Mitchell** - November 01, 2019 at 03:19 PM



“ *Mr. and Mrs. Day were always so gracious to open their home and share their family with "the girls" growing up. I remember spending the night of our Senior prom canoeing on their lake. He had a contagious laugh, and I feel certain he was the spooky sounds we heard on our "late-night" trip to the graveyard. I will always have great childhood memories that include the Day family.*

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**Kathy Olszewski Brown** - October 31, 2019 at 03:33 PM