



## Robert Watson Alexander

April 19, 1926 - September 22, 2014

Robert Watson Alexander, Jr., age 88, passed away Monday, September 22, 2014 at Savannah Court Assisted Living in Newnan. He was born April 19, 1926 in Coweta County to the late Robert Watson Alexander, Sr. and Elizabeth Morris Alexander. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Harriett Owens Alexander. He was also predeceased by his sisters Elizabeth Alexander Morris and Mary Alexander Bowers.

He was a graduate of Newnan High School in 1944 and joined the Navy right after graduation. He was veteran of World War II. After leaving the Navy he attended and graduated from the Barber College of Atlanta. Upon his return to Newnan he joined the family business which was the barber shop his father purchased in 1919. He took over ownership in 1946 and after 69 years of the Alexander family owning and operating the barber the shop it closed its doors in 1988. He loved working on the court square because he said he loved being in the middle of it the action in the downtown area. He was a lifetime member of The Veterans of Foreign Wars and of the American Legion for 65 years. He tremendously enjoyed wood working. He had a grand shop behind his home where he constantly made useful kitchen and household items for friends and family. He crafted all of Harriet's frames and display racks for her paintings. He constructed out buildings and the famous moonshine still at Powers Crossroads Festival. He ran and operated legal stills at the festival for 8 years. It was a true passion of his. He was a devoted caregiver for his mother until she passed away at the age of 102.

The graveside service is Wednesday, September 24th at 11 A.M. at Oak Hill Cemetery with Dr. Joel Richardson officiating. The visitation is Wednesday from 10 A.M. until 10:45 A.M. at McKoon Funeral Home in Newnan, 38 Jackson St.

His survivors include his family of nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers the family requests that donations be made to Central Baptist Church, 14 West Broad St. in Newnan. Condolences may be expressed at [www.mckoon.com](http://www.mckoon.com). The family expresses there great appreciation to Gentiva Hospice and Savannah Court for all their love and support.

McKoon Funeral Home 38 Jackson St. Newnan GA. 30263 770-253-4580.

# Cemetery Details

## Oak Hill Cemetery

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 24. 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM (ET)

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

## Service

SEP 24. 11:00 AM (ET)

Graveside Oak Hill Cemetery  
96 Jefferson Street  
Newnan, GA 30263

# Tribute Wall

DS

“ I will miss Uncle Robert. I loved the Santa boots at Christmas time.  
Doris Sanford

Doris Sanford - October 02, 2014 at 07:12 PM

RM

“ Cindy and family I am sorry to hear about Mr. Robert 's passing he was always just a gentleman to me every time I meet him. I always enjoyed the stories I heard in the shop some I could tell and some I couldn't. He will be missed.

Ray McKnight - September 29, 2014 at 05:16 PM

WC

“ I sat on a piece of wood Mr Robert crafted to fit across the armrests on the barber's chair, then made weekly visits until he retired! Sought his woodworking advice on occasion and always admired his willingness to help others. He will be missed by many.

Wayne Carlisle - September 25, 2014 at 08:01 AM

FF

“ I am sorry to hear of Mr. Robert's passing. He was a fixture at the top of Atkinson St. when I was growing up. He cut out an outline of the State of GA on a piece of wood for me for a science project in the 7th grade. I always loved the Santa boots sticking out of his chimney at Christmas time. He cut my hair as a young boy. Newnan has lost a good man.

FRANK FARMER - September 24, 2014 at 10:51 AM

AB

“ I am so sorry to hear of Mr. Robert's passing. He was a dear friend of my father. I know that they are now together, laughing, and telling wild tales on the other side. I'm sure "Miss" Harriette, has her hand full with the two of them.

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**Anna Hammond Bergeron** - September 23, 2014 at 04:28 PM