



Robert Orrin Brandes, Jr.

January 20, 1949 - June 22, 2021

Robert Orrin Brandes, Jr., of Senoia, was born in Atlanta on January 20, 1949 to Robert O.

Brandes and Laura Jean Beacham Brandes, (Bee). Bobby was educated in Atlanta Public

Schools, graduating from Therrell High School in 1967. He graduated from the University of Georgia in 1972. He is a member of the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity. He served in the United States Marine Corps Reserve. Bobby served the Fulton County Board of Commissioners as Personnel Director, retiring after 35 years in 2008.

Bobby is predeceased by his parents and his sister, Carolyn Brandes Brumit Wilson. He is survived by his wife of almost 49 years, Juliann Barron Brandes, whom he met at Therrell in 1965, having begun their relationship in Athens, Georgia`or, as he called Athens, God's country. He is survived by his son, Robert O. Brandes, III and Casey Hall of Brookhaven, Georgia, his daughter, Melissa Kyle Brandes of Newnan, Georgia and his dog, Pearl of Senoia, Georgia and Salem, Alabama, He is also survived by his younger sister, Laura Brandes Rexrode and Tim Rexrode of Chapin, South Carolina, his sister-in-law, Tamara Winslett Barron of Harlem, Georgia. Bobby's nephews and nieces are Mark and Paige Brumit and Reeve of Decatur, Illinois, Beth Brumit Durgee, of Gainesville, Florida and her son, CJ Santiago and Austin and Emily Grace Rexrode of South Carolina, Matthew Barron of Harlem, Georgia

and Elizabeth Barron Sumerlin and Jeremy Sumerlin and Luke of Grovetown, Georgia.

Bobby Brandes was the epitome of a true Southern gentleman. He was the gentlest of gentle men. He was the kindest of kind. His wry humor and irreverent wit is neither paralleled, nor surpassed. Bobby loved fiercely and completely. He was the fun in funny. He lit up a room and his laugh will echo in the minds and hearts of all who knew and loved him. Bobby was a genuinely happy man.

Visitation will be Monday, June 28, 2021 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at McKoon Funeral Home in Newnan, Georgia. His memorial service will be Tuesday, June 29, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. at Sharpsburg Baptist Church in Sharpsburg, Georgia.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Southwest Christian Care, 7225 Lester Road, Union City, Georgia 30291. Condolences may be expressed to the family online at www.mckoon.com.

Go, Dawgs!

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory 770-253-4580

Cemetery Details

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory

38 Jackson Street
Newnan, GA 30263
care@mckoon.com
<http://www.mckoon.com>

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 28. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

McKoon Funeral Home
38 Jackson Street
Newnan, GA 30263

Memorial Service

JUN 29. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Sharpsburg Baptist Church
6413 Hwy 54/P.O. Box 127
Sharpsburg, GA 30277

Tribute Wall

CW

“*Julianne, it was so sad to hear this news yesterday. Bobby & I were in kindergarten together. And in the same school for 13 years. Always consistent, always polite, and you always knew you had a friend in Brandes. He left a positive touch on all he came to know. I pray for you and the family as you grieve this most difficult loss. You are blessed to have the many years with him. And I recall with a smile our days at ‘counselor aides’ together. God bless.*”

Carl Woodruff - July 06, 2021 at 05:48 PM

JB

“*So sorry to hear of Bob's passing. My husband and I both worked at Fulton County for many years and relied on Bob's strong work ethic and enjoyed his pleasant personality. Maybe the only one I encountered who could be counted on to do the ethical thing for an employee when it was merited.*”

Jackie and Louie Bowen - July 02, 2021 at 10:02 PM

SM

“*The service yesterday was a wonderful tribute to a wonderful, kind, loving man. Bobby is and will be missed by many. Love to Juliann, Kyle, and Trey.*”

sam morris - June 30, 2021 at 11:49 AM



“*Bobby was the grandest of the grand. He was absolutely the epitome of a well loved and respected man. He was always friendly with me, put a smile on my face and gave the best hugs. My thoughts and prayers are with all who knew him and loved him. ‘Till we meet again, Bobby!*”

Susan Schmitt - June 29, 2021 at 12:57 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Robert Orrin Brandes, Jr..*



June 28, 2021 at 02:32 PM



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert Orrin Brandes, Jr..*



June 28, 2021 at 02:29 PM



“ *Juliann, Robert and I were so saddened to hear of Bob's passing. He was good people. Couldn't have asked for a better person to work for and with. His passing was a real shock. Cherish all the wonderful memories you guys shared. May the Lord continue to comfort and keep you and your family in his love and care.*

Joanne Williams, former Fulton employee

Joanne Williams - June 28, 2021 at 11:14 AM

RS

I was saddened to learn of Bob's passing on today. I met him while working at Fulton County and immediately thought about his pleasant greetings and quick wit he would share with me. He was a nice man and a pleasure to work with and know.

Brandes Family you are in my thoughts and prayers during this time of loss. May your memories of him and his life give you comfort in the days ahead.

Rosa Stewart - July 05, 2021 at 08:33 PM

JB

“ *I am heart broker and very sad. My cousin was just a Great person. No other way to put. We were the same age and grew up together and he was always just a nice great guy. I will miss him greatly. My condolences to Julianne, Tre and Kyle and Laure. Very hard to accept. Love to all.*

J Beacham

jerry beacha - June 28, 2021 at 10:17 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Robert Orrin Brandes, Jr..*



June 28, 2021 at 08:49 AM



“ *Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Robert Orrin Brandes, Jr..*



June 27, 2021 at 11:23 AM

SC

“ Juliann and family, My prayers and heart go out to you at this sad timei. May you and your family be embraced in the arms of the Lord. Such a joy to know Bobby and you and your beautiful love story that lasts forever. May God bless you dearly.
Suzanne Shepard Chrispen

Suzanne Shepard Chrispen - June 26, 2021 at 07:17 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Robert Orrin Brandes, Jr..



June 26, 2021 at 11:41 AM



“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Robert Orrin Brandes, Jr..



June 26, 2021 at 10:04 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Robert Orrin Brandes, Jr..



June 26, 2021 at 06:37 AM

CS

“ Juliann,
I am so sorry to hear about Robert. My prayers and thoughts are with you and your family.
Charlene Storey

Charlene Storey - June 25, 2021 at 01:39 PM

AH

“ Alan and Julie Hogan purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Robert Orrin Brandes, Jr..



Alan and Julie Hogan - June 25, 2021 at 11:53 AM

MJ

“ Bobby was a good friend to so many, including me!
Mark Johnson, a Fulton County retiree

Mark Johnson - June 25, 2021 at 10:04 AM

JL

“ Sending love and prayers for Juliann and family. I never knew Bobby but he sounds like he was very much great man who will be missed by many. May Our Lord make His presence known to you and give you peace until you meet again.

Jackie Lewis - June 25, 2021 at 09:45 AM

DR

“ I will miss that both arms wide open hug and “how you, Shooga?!”, every time I saw him. The world has lost one of my favorite humans, and someone that we are all better off for having known. And college football season will never again be quite the same. My heart is broken, but full of priceless memories and belly laughs. Sending all the love and prayers y’all’s way.

Denise Rosser - June 25, 2021 at 08:00 AM

TD

“ Just three weeks ago I had the pleasure of Bobby and Juliann getting to meet my wife and children in person. I have so many memories of my early years with the Brandes family. Oyster roasts, seafood Christmases, and beach trips are some of the best times I ever had. Bobby always treated me as one of his own. This picture will go up in my house to always remember him and remind me of what a great man looks like. I will always try to treat my children and their friends as good as he did his own children and me. We love you Bobby, Juliann, Tres and Kyle!



Tim Daile - June 25, 2021 at 12:26 AM

RB

“ Bobby, I am blessed to say that I got to share just about every “New Year’s” celebration in my life with you. The last one we had together in particular, was extremely memorable, as we shared laughs over COVID-era trivia games. I will forever cherish those times, as well as the Sundays we spent at the golf course together. I am looking forward to one day seeing you again, Bobby.



Reece Bloedt - June 24, 2021 at 06:38 PM

RR

“ Bobby,

I will never forget just how much you hated Ohio State and let me know about it! A great friend to Pop, a great role model to myself. Congrats on finishing your lakehouse and a life damn well lived. Until next time Bobby! - Robbie

Robbie Rowlinson - June 24, 2021 at 06:20 PM

SW

“ Such a difficult loss. I will always remember Bobby for his constant positive attitude and happy spirit. It was always so good to see him waving hello from “As-Is” and to see he and Juliann walk across the yard to visit. He will always be with us!



Scarlet Webb - June 24, 2021 at 05:39 PM

KB

“ Bobby was always where he was needed most at the exact right time. He will be sorely missed by so many of us.

Ken an Cynthia Bennett - June 24, 2021 at 04:14 PM

PC

“ Sorry for the death of Robert Brandes. My thoughts and prayers goes out for the family 🙏🙏🙏

paul chaknis - June 24, 2021 at 04:13 PM

MR

“ Simply said, they just don't come any better than Bobby.

Marty Raulins - June 24, 2021 at 02:01 PM

RR

“ Juliann & Family - Sending love and prayers that God grant you peace at this difficult time. Sandy & Ronda Rattray

Ronda Rattray - June 24, 2021 at 01:57 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Robert Orrin Brandes, Jr..



June 24, 2021 at 12:35 PM

PS

“ We are so very sorry for your loss. Peter & Jean Skrmetti

Peter Skrmetti - June 24, 2021 at 10:18 AM

FF

“ *My prayers are with all the family during this time of loss.*
Frank M. Farmer

FRANK FARMER - June 24, 2021 at 09:39 AM

BP

“ *There isn't room here to adequately describe this loss. Bobby was one in a million and spread love and laughter to all who knew him. We all have different versions of success in life, no matter what yours is, to see the long career and the beautiful family of this man it's evident his life was full. His mere presence was a source of joy to us all and his absence is a loss felt by so many. My dad said "the greatest is legacy is to be remembered well ". Bobby Brandes will continue to put a smile on my face as he is remembered with love.*



Barbie Lawson Parker - June 24, 2021 at 09:30 AM