



Gerald Rawlins

September 19, 1935 - February 2, 2021

Gerald Rawlins, age 85, of Snellville went home to be with the Lord Tuesday, February 2, 2021 at his home surrounded by his family.

Born September 19, 1935, he was the son of the late Thomas Eugene Rawlins and Loyce Gilleland Rawlins. He was a 1954 graduate of Snellville High School and worked at United Equipment Sales for 44 years as Vice President. Saved as a young boy he followed in his parent's footsteps serving the Lord at Snellville First Baptist Church. Gerald served as a Deacon, a Trustee, as well as on numerous committees. He enjoyed working alongside his father-in-law, Ralph Hewatt, with the Royal Ambassadors coordinating camping trips.

Gerald was a gentle man but a giant in his service to his Lord, his family, his church and his community. He was a member of Snellville Jaycees receiving the Outstanding Young Man Award in 1966. In 1957, he became a member of the Snellville Lions Club, actively serving for 62 years receiving a Life Membership. He served 3 terms as club president, received many awards from his club and district, including the Melvin Jones Fellow Award, the highest award a member can receive.

Gerald served on the Gwinnett County Merit Board and Gwinnett County Hospital Authority. He held a leadership role in the South Gwinnett High

School PTA (1976-1980). He enjoyed playing golf earning his nickname "Deacon" from his fellow golfers. He also loved cheering on the Atlanta Braves and Georgia Bulldogs. In his later years, his greatest enjoyment was attending his grandchildren's and great-grandchildren's school and sport activities.

He is survived by his loving wife of 65 years: Barbara Jean Hewatt Rawlins; sons and daughters-in-law: Randy and Stacy Rawlins, Monroe, GA; Mike and Beth Rawlins, Lexington, SC; daughters and sons-in-law; Renee and Dave Gaglione, St. Augustine, FL; Carol and Jimmy Durham, Statham, GA; Marcia and Greg Brooks, Monroe, GA; grandchildren: Rachel and Henry Nix, Justin and Anna Durham, Michael and Ruth Durham, Rebekah Rawlins and Matt Hilland, Kristen and Jeremy Parks, TJ and Jennifer Crowe, Meagan and Nik Cooper, Sara Jean and Michael Novak, Zach and Nicole Brooks, Jake Rawlins, Crissy and Kevin Robison; seventeen great grandchildren and three great-great grandchildren. Nephew; Tim (Jennifer) Norton, Elberton, GA; brother-in-law; Jack Hewatt, Asheville, NC; and beloved pet, Odie. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his sister and brother-in-law; Angie and Herald Norton.

Visitation will be from 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM on Sunday, February 14, 2021 at Tim Stewart Funeral Home, 2246 Wisteria Drive, Snellville, GA 30078. 770-979-5010. A graveside service will follow at the Snellville Historical Cemetery. Family request you please wear a mask and practice social distancing during visitation and graveside service. A Celebration of Life Service planned for a later date. Please sign the online guest registry at www.stewartfh.com

Cemetery Details

Snellville Historical Cemetery

Snellville, GA

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 14. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Tim Stewart Funeral Home Monroe
209 South Hammond Drive
Monroe, GA 30655
(770) 267-2594
info@stewartfh.com
<https://www.stewartfh.com>

Graveside

FEB 14. 1:00 PM (ET)

Snellville Historical Cemetery
Snellville, GA

Tribute Wall



“ *Tim Stewart Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Gerald Rawlins*



Tim Stewart Funeral Home - February 11, 2021 at 04:21 PM



“ *Gerald Rawlins*

October 08, 2022 at 11:31 AM



“ *I first met Gerald when I joined the Lions Club he was a good friend.*
George Blount

George Blount - February 14, 2021 at 10:39 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Gerald Rawlins.*



February 12, 2021 at 03:16 PM



“ 1 file added to the album *Life Tributes*



Tim Stewart Funeral Home - February 12, 2021 at 03:01 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Gerald Rawlins.*



February 12, 2021 at 01:11 PM



“ *Dear Rawlins Family,*

For me and other City staff, we always appreciated the friendly and respectful manner that Mr. Rawlins exhibited toward all City matters. It was always a pleasure to speak and be with him as we worked through our issues. He was a real gentleman. Please know you are in our prayers and thoughts in this difficult time.

Sincerely,

Butch Sanders

BUTCH SANDERS - February 12, 2021 at 10:53 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Gerald Rawlins.*



February 12, 2021 at 10:30 AM



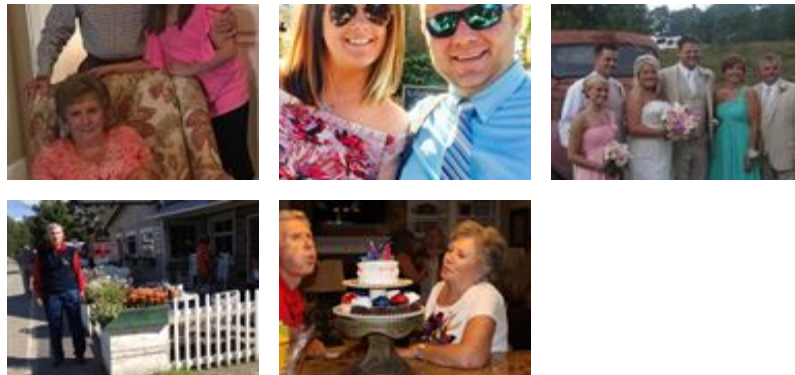
“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Gerald Rawlins.*



February 12, 2021 at 08:31 AM



“ *95 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Tim Stewart Funeral Home - February 11, 2021 at 04:17 PM

SK

“ To the family of Mr Rawlings I send my heartfelt condolence. Son Randy was one of my students of years gone by. I always think of this family with much love.
Saralyn Trawick Kimsey

Saralyn Kimsey - February 11, 2021 at 03:03 PM

MB

“ We thought the world of Gerald and are so sorry for your loss. Prayers for the family. Snell, Marlene and James Buchanan

Marlene R Buchanan - February 11, 2021 at 12:19 PM



“ Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Gerald Rawlins.



February 11, 2021 at 11:42 AM

SW

“ We are so sorry for your loss and we are praying for God's strength, comfort and peace for each one in your sweet family.

Love,
Steve and Sherry Waldrop

Sherry Waldrop - February 11, 2021 at 10:32 AM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gerald Rawlins.*



February 11, 2021 at 08:43 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Gerald Rawlins.*



February 11, 2021 at 08:30 AM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Gerald Rawlins.*



February 10, 2021 at 11:00 AM



“ *Darryle and I are so sorry for your loss and are praying for peace and comfort during this difficult time. Love to you all.*

judy moorr - February 10, 2021 at 10:36 AM

LB

“ Love, Charlie and Kathy Bass purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Gerald Rawlins.



Love, Charlie and Kathy Bass - February 10, 2021 at 09:24 AM

VC

“ Our deepest sympathy to Barbara and family. Hold tight to the memories as they will help you in the days to come. May God bestow his blessings to each and everyone of you in this trying time.

*Love and Prayers,
Coral Reef Staff*

Victoria Chambers - February 09, 2021 at 10:25 AM

MB

Thank you Victoria, Emi, Brent & Justin and the rest of the staff!!!❤️

Marcia Brooks - February 11, 2021 at 05:32 PM

CF

“ Coral Reef Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Gerald Rawlins.



Coral Reef Family - February 09, 2021 at 10:13 AM

JC

“ Gerald was a life member of the Snellville Lions Club and always ready to help and serve in so many ways. A quiet man but so generous to all he encountered. He will be missed.

Johnnie Collier - February 08, 2021 at 07:11 PM

FR

“ Barbara and all the family. I am so very sorry for your loss. Praying for all of you and wishing God's blessings for each of you. Much love.
Faye Pressley Rhodes

Faye Pressley Rhodes - February 08, 2021 at 02:13 PM

WC

“ Condolences to the Rawlings Family. May God comfort you during this time.

Wayne & Lynn Camp - February 08, 2021 at 11:15 AM

SW

“ Lion Gerald was a good man who served my hometown of Snellville, Georgia. I was honored to have met him during my visits to the Snellville Lions Club. Marcia and family are in my thoughts and prayers. Thank you, Lion Gerald, for your service to the community, may His holy spirit comfort your family and friends, and may you rest in His eternal peace.

Steve Williams - February 08, 2021 at 09:13 AM

MB

Thank you Steve for your kind words about my father. They are very much appreciated.

Marcia Brooks - February 08, 2021 at 12:13 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Gerald Rawlins.*



February 07, 2021 at 04:02 PM



“ *The Buddy Rawlins Family purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Gerald Rawlins.*



The Buddy Rawlins Family - February 07, 2021 at 07:28 AM



“ *The most blessed man in the world was the biggest blessing to everyone he knew. A Godly man in everything he did. He always had an uplifting word when I saw him on Fridays. My deepest condolences to all of his family. I love you all and will be praying God gives you the grace you need to get through this part and the ability to begin your healing when your hearts are ready. To remember is to give validity to the wonderful times you shared. Sharing love remembered, is a wonderful thing. May God Bless,
Huette*

L Huette Mabry - February 06, 2021 at 10:05 PM



Thank you for your heartfelt words!!! ❤️ They mean so much to us!! We love you!!!

Marcia Brooks - February 08, 2021 at 12:15 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Gerald Rawlins.* ”



February 06, 2021 at 05:11 PM