



John Edward Waters

September 28, 1955 - December 29, 2014

WATERS- John Edward Waters, age 59 of Lawrenceville, GA, passed away on Monday, December 29, 2014. A Funeral Service will be held at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, December 31, 2014 in The Chapel of Tim Stewart Funeral Home in Snellville, GA. Entombment will follow at Eternal Hills Memory Gardens in Snellville, GA. Rev. Scott Waters will officiate. Mr. Waters was a graduate of Chamblee High School, East Tennessee State University, where he played football, and Woodrow Wilson College of Law. While attending law school John worked as a Gwinnett County Police Officer and, after graduating, worked for the DeKalb County District Attorney's Office as an investigator and Assistant District Attorney for 26 years. For the last four years he worked as an Assistant District Attorney for the Gwinnett County DA's Office. He was a member of The POAB, Gwinnett County Bar, and The State Bar of Georgia. John was preceded in death by his parents: George Edward and Carolyn Cutts Waters and his sister: Kathy Bradley. He is survived by his wife of 30 years, Dee Waters of Lawrenceville, GA; Daughters: Christine and Kathryn Waters of Lawrenceville, GA; Sisters and Brothers-In-Law: Cindy and George Durden of Jacksonville, FL and Pam and Rick Gunn of Cumming, GA. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to his children's education fund at any Wells Fargo Bank under the name, John Waters. The family will receive friends from 5:00-8:00 PM on Tuesday, December 30, 2014 at Tim Stewart Funeral Home, 2246 Wisteria Drive, Snellville, GA 30078. 770-979-5010. Please sign online guestbook at www.stewartfh.com

Cemetery Details

Eternal Hills Memory Gardens

3200 Stone Mountain Highway
Snellville, GA 30039

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **30**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Service

DEC **31**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Chapel of Tim Stewart Funeral Home Snellville
2246 Wisteria Drive
Snellville, GA

Tribute Wall



“ *John Edward Waters*

October 08, 2022 at 11:31 AM



“ *John was always there for me. He had a compassion and caring personality that was passed along to his daughters. I worked with Dee for years and had the opportunity to call John twice with a very difficult and personal experience. He offered sound, practical advice and comfort. He genuinely cared.*

I can't pretend to understand why he was taken from this earth so early, but I hope his family and friends find comfort in knowing that he will be missed greatly. He had a positive impact in many lives. We all lost a great man when he passed.

RIP John

John Goforth - January 01, 2015 at 06:46 PM



“ *I have had a great opportunity this past year to meet John Waters. Through that time he has been the greatest, kindest, most caring, sand funny person I have met. John you have shown me how to be a great person, a great lawyer, a great friend, and how to live a life. For that I will always owe you one. You have been the greatest friend and mentor I could have ever asked for.*

Thank you and Love,

Collin Sturchio

Collin Sturchio - December 31, 2014 at 01:18 PM

CS

“ Thank you John Waters for everything you have done for me as a friend and a mentor. You have left a lasting impression on me as a person and I will always owe you for that. There is not a single person that can say one bad thing about you nor have you said anything bad about someone else. John, you have shown me how to be a great man, a great lawyer, a great friend, and how to live a fulfilling life.

Thank you and God Bless You,

Collin Sturchio

Collin Sturchio - December 31, 2014 at 12:46 PM

LT

“ Lee and Sylvia Trawick purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of John Edward Waters.



Lee and Sylvia Trawick - December 31, 2014 at 08:37 AM

BT

“ Thank you John Waters for coming into our lives both as a loving and considerate friend and truly dedicated public servant! I've had the great pleasure of working with you for these past 7 years and observed the lives of many young men and women improved through your efforts in the Gwinnett County Juvenile Courts. You will be missed in ways that are hard to spell out in this short writing but run so very deep in the hearts of so many people that worked with you! We will miss you deeply! I thank the Lord for having brought you into our lives!

Bernie Tkacik

Bernie Tkacik - December 30, 2014 at 10:07 PM

CT

“ *John was always encouraging others. He inspired me to be the best teacher that I could be.*

Cathy Thacker - December 30, 2014 at 09:04 PM

SA

“ *John was a wonderful man. He was always so eager to help and give friendly advice. I am glad that I was able to work with him and get to know him. I am sorry for your lost. He will be greatly missed.*



Suzanda Arcila - December 30, 2014 at 06:32 PM

BW

“ *John Waters was a wonderful man. He represented the best of us and inspired others to be better. I loved him as a person and I loved working with him at the District Attorney's Office in DeKalb County. He had a wonderful smile, a great sense of humor, and was professional and courteous to everyone he met. He was one of those exceptional people who lead by example. He wanted to do what was right and he did what was right. He was a great friend, colleague, husband, father and public servant. I am a better person for knowing him. He was a man other men admire and the kind of man God wishes all of us to be. May God bless his soul, and may God bless Dee and his wonderful daughters. Bob Wilson*

Bob Wilson - December 30, 2014 at 03:06 PM

BW

“ My prayers and thoughts are with John's beautiful family during their time of grief and sadness. I will always remember how John's face would light up at the mention of Dee and his Girls. Our friendship extended far beyond the courtroom where we worked across the aisle for so many years. We remained in touch after we both left Dekalb County. I shall never forget his strength, sense of humor and big heart in an effort to make the lives of others better. Gone from our presence but never our hearts.



Bess Walthour - December 30, 2014 at 02:21 PM

CD

“ John was a wonderful person to work with. He will be missed. May He rest in peace and may God take care of him.

Carol Dossman - December 30, 2014 at 02:11 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of John Edward Waters.



December 30, 2014 at 02:06 PM

JD

“ John & Mad Varrieur, Nancy V. Wiggins & Karen V. Danielson purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of John Edward Waters.



John & Mad Varrieur, Nancy V. Wiggins & Karen V. Danielson
- December 30, 2014 at 01:53 PM

BW

“ Bessie L. Walthour purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of John Edward Waters.



Bessie L. Walthour - December 30, 2014 at 01:52 PM

FS

“ John brought so much joy to our office. He always had such a good sense of humor.
I am truly going to miss his wonderfully smile and just walking down the hall to chat. My continued prayers for the entire family and many, many friends.
-Felicia B. Steverson

Felicia B. Steverson - December 30, 2014 at 01:10 PM



“ Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of John Edward Waters.



December 30, 2014 at 12:54 PM

DG

“ *Dianne Gaudry lit a candle in memory of John Edward Waters*



Dianne Gaudry - December 30, 2014 at 12:38 PM

DG

“ *Brooks and I want to express our deepest sympathy to the family of John. He was such a wonderful person. God bless and keep you all. Love, Brooks and Dianne Gaudry*

Dianne Gaudry - December 30, 2014 at 12:33 PM

TC

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Toni Carnes*



Toni Carnes - December 30, 2014 at 12:02 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of John Edward Waters.*



December 30, 2014 at 11:56 AM

GG

“ RIP John you were one of the good guys. We all with miss you. Our deepest sympathy to the entire Waters family.

Greg & Connie Greene

Greg & Connie Greene - December 30, 2014 at 11:44 AM

CG

“ Enjoyed working with John at DeKalb District Attorney's Office he was the nicest person I know. He will be greatly missed. Connie Greene

Connie Pierce Greene - December 30, 2014 at 11:27 AM

GG

“ John was a one of a kind, a man at the age of 17 not afraid to pray with someone, to counsel with anyone, far beyond his 17 years on this earth. I don't think John ever saw the worst in people as much as he saw them as needing a little help in the right direction.

I'm sure John touched a lot of lives in his 59 years and we are all better people for it, I know that I am.

May God bless his family with his memories and presence until they meet again. I'll see you soon brother John.

Gary C. Gentry

Gary C. Gentry - December 30, 2014 at 10:53 AM

RS

“ I am so sorry to hear about John's passing. John and I worked for many years together at DeKalb Juvenile Court. He was truly a professional who was respected by all. My prayers to the family and friends of this gentle man.



Ron Shaw - December 30, 2014 at 10:22 AM

WB

“ My condolences and prayers to you on John's passing, a loving and humble man whom I was privileged to know. John and I worked on opposite sides in Juvenile Court, but he was always professional, down to earth, and easy to get along with. He had a great sense of humor and made others feel comfortable in his presence. I most enjoyed our all too brief conversations in the attorney conference room while we waited to be called into court. I will miss him.

Wallace M. Berry - December 30, 2014 at 10:19 AM



*“ Mr. Waters was such a nice, funny, caring and smart man. I'm so thankful our paths crossed at Dekalb Juvenile Court. He gave me some very important valuable advice of which I am living today. I pass that advice on to young people. He continues to touch lives of people he never met as he touched mine. Thank you Mr. Waters and may you rest in paradise.-
-Beverly Jones*



Beverly Beedy Jones - December 30, 2014 at 10:04 AM

HM

“ Heather Melton lit a candle in memory of John Edward Waters



Heather Melton - December 30, 2014 at 09:38 AM

DM

“ In memory of Mr. John E. Waters:
I share my deepest sympathy for a man who was an honorable husband and father and who touched my life at its core. It was an honor to have known you. Your loving spirit will be enormously missed along with your fatherly embraces. And may your family find peace during this time of grief and sorrow. With love and gratitude for you and your family, Dr. Monée N. Merriweather

Dr. Monée N. Merriweather - December 30, 2014 at 09:37 AM



“ A Full Life was purchased for the family of John Edward Waters.



December 30, 2014 at 09:04 AM

TC

“ Ted W. Cummings purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of John Edward Waters.



Ted W. Cummings - December 30, 2014 at 08:26 AM

CH

“ Dear Dee, Christy, & Katie,
Tim and I are greatly saddened and sorry for your loss. John was such a big hearted , kind man. He will truly be missed by many.
Love and prayers to you and your family.
Tim and Cherie Hampton

Cherie Hampton - December 30, 2014 at 07:52 AM

ER

“ To: The John Waters Family,
I am sorry to hear of the loss of John and to the community he served. I am especially saddened because he was one of my football players at Chamblee and a fellow player at ETSU of which was my home school. Please know my prayers are with you during this time and how proud I was of John in his service and contribution to mankind, one of the lessons he learned from the athletic experience.
God Bless!
Sincerely, Coach Eddie Rains

Eddie Rains - December 30, 2014 at 07:46 AM

RA

“ Raven lit a candle in memory of John Edward Waters



Raven - December 30, 2014 at 07:11 AM

TT

“ John was a kind and gentle soul who had a big heart. I will dearly miss his smile, his friendship, and his presence in Gwinnett Juvenile Court. This is a terrible loss that deeply saddens me.

Torin Togut - December 30, 2014 at 07:09 AM

DP

“ Bonnie and I are so sorry for your loss. John was a very good man who was a pleasure to be around. He will be missed.



Dave & Bonnie Perkins - December 30, 2014 at 07:02 AM

LG

“ I am so saddened to hear of Johns passing. I always thought of him as a gentle soul with a big smile. He was always kind to me in high school and the few times I have seen him since. My thoughts dinner prayers are with his family. Rest in Peace John. You were well loved.

Lainey. Thurmond Gaines

lainey gaines - December 29, 2014 at 10:16 PM

KE

“ John was such a great guy and always saw the best in his friends. It has been years since I have spoken with him but I know in my heart that heaven is a better place now.
May he rest in peace and my prayers are with his family.

Karon Elliott Edleson - December 29, 2014 at 10:00 PM



“ *Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of John Edward Waters.*



December 29, 2014 at 09:33 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of John Edward Waters.*



December 29, 2014 at 09:14 PM



“ *Michelle Tyus lit a candle in memory of John Edward Waters*



Michelle Tyus - December 29, 2014 at 09:08 PM



“ *I met Mr. Waters when he worked as a district attorney in Juvenile court. He was always fair, funny, and friendly. He made it a pleasure working and having lunch with him. To the family, my sincerest condolences and I pray that you will find some peace at this very sad time. Just know that John Waters is loved and will be missed.*
Michelle Tyus

Michelle Tyus - December 29, 2014 at 09:03 PM

TK

“ John was a couple of years older than me, but I remember him fondly, as he and my sister were in the same grade. We both send our condolences and will be lifting the family up in prayer. Sincerely,
Theda Price Khan & Teresa Price Batts

Theda Price Khan - December 29, 2014 at 08:49 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of John Edward Waters.



December 29, 2014 at 08:26 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of John Edward Waters.



December 29, 2014 at 08:13 PM



“ There are so many memories I have from my childhood it is impossible to pick just one. You will forever be loved and forever be missed!



Jennifer Townsend - December 29, 2014 at 07:46 PM

PM

“ *One of the kindest, most loving people I have ever known. He will be missed by so many who were fortunate to call him a friend. God bless Dee, Christy and Katie. Thank you for sharing him with us.*

Phyllis Miller - December 29, 2014 at 07:26 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of John Edward Waters.*



December 29, 2014 at 07:19 PM

ST

“ *With sympathy and friendship,*

Susanne Allen Thomas

susanne allen thomas - December 29, 2014 at 07:13 PM

NH

“ *You were more like a big brother than a brother-in-law. Can not believe I won't see your smiling eyes or suffer your keen sense of humor again. Rest with the angels.*

nan harley - December 29, 2014 at 06:01 PM

WC

“ John was blessed with integrity and tenacity. He accomplished so much over the years. John will be sorely missed. May he rest in peace. Condolences to his family. Warren Davis.



Warren Davis, Judge Superior Ct - December 29, 2014 at 05:39 PM

JR

“ Prayers for John's family. His Chamblee High School Class of 73 family has lost a wonderful member. We will miss John. So glad he was with us at our 40th reunion in October 2013. This picture was taken there. Never was there a kinder person.



Jan Klempnauer Raymond - December 29, 2014 at 05:36 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of John Edward Waters.



December 29, 2014 at 04:17 PM

HM

“ My deepest condolences go out to Dee, John's daughters, and the rest of John's family. Anyone who knew John, knew how much he adored his family. John was such an asset to us at work. He was a supportive ear, helpful mentor, and he never failed to make us laugh! He was held in such high regard at Gwinnett Juvenile Court and one of the nicest people I have ever met. He will be truly missed.

Heather Melton - December 29, 2014 at 04:09 PM

SH

“ I remember talking to you John about retirement. Now you are retired into a better place. No pain, no worries, just peace. We all have to go that route one day. Juvenile Court will not be the same without you.
Shirley R.



Shirley Hood-Rodriguez - December 29, 2014 at 03:32 PM

MR

Rest in Peace John. You were a kind and gentle soul who was truly committed to helping and serving the youth and families of Gwinnett county. Your presence and influence will be greatly missed.
Dr. Michael Runo

Michael Runo - December 30, 2014 at 04:32 PM

JG

Very sorry to hear about John's passing. He was a very good man who cared deeply about others and helped me in more ways than anyone will ever know. He loved his family dearly and will be missed. He was a very good man.

John Goforth - December 31, 2014 at 09:51 PM