



## Robert Lee Drake

June 12, 1947 - August 8, 2014

DRAKE- Robert Lee Drake age 67 of Lawrenceville, passed away Friday, August 8, 2014. Funeral services will be held at 11 AM, Wednesday, August 13, 2014 in the Lawrenceville Chapel of Tim Stewart Funeral Home. Rev. Tim Cash will officiate. Mr. Drake loved coaching youth sports, model trains, Corvettes, the University of Miami, but most of all he loved his family. He was an engineer with Rockwell/Boeing for 23 years and retired in 2005. He spent much of his time mentoring young men through Lindsay's Legacy in Jackson County, where he was honored as Mentor of the Year. He is preceded in death by his sister: Chere Brodsky. He is survived by his wife of 41 years, Debra Drake of Suwanee, Georgia; daughter and son-in-law: Jennifer and Chuck Dalton of Dacula, Georgia; son and daughter-in-law: Rob and Roxanne Drake of Birmingham, Alabama; daughter and son-in-law: Suzanne and Tosh Wolfe of Atlanta, Georgia; mother and stepfather: Jean and Frank Hildebrandt of Summerfield, Florida; brother and sister-in-law: Thomas and Lauri Hildebrandt of Orlando, Florida; brother-in-law: Larry Brodsky of Amherst, New Hampshire; grandchildren: Drake Dalton, Brooks Dalton, Arabella Wolfe, and Sophia Drake. Flowers accepted or donations to Lindsay's Legacy at [www.lindsayslegacymentoring.org](http://www.lindsayslegacymentoring.org) . The family will receive friends from 4-8 PM, Tuesday August 12, 2014 at Tim Stewart Funeral Home, 300 Simonton Road, SW, Lawrenceville, GA 30046. 770962.3100. Please sign the online guest book at [www.stewartfh.com](http://www.stewartfh.com)



# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 12. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Tim Stewart Funeral Home Lawrenceville  
300 Simonton Road SW  
Lawrenceville, GA 30046  
(770) 962-3100

## Service

AUG 13. 11:00 AM (ET)

Chapel of Tim Stewart Funeral Home Lawrenceville  
300 Simonton Road, S.W.  
Lawrenceville, GA

# Tribute Wall

EK

“ *Bob and I had some fun moments in Southern California many years ago. He was a fun guy*

*With my sympathies,*

*Ernie Kidhardt  
Duluth, GA*

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**Ernie Kidhardt** - August 07, 2023 at 10:56 AM



“ *Robert Lee Drake*

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October 08, 2022 at 11:31 AM

BH

“ *Deb and family. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Peace be with you my friend. Beverly hansen*

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**beverly hansen** - August 15, 2014 at 01:14 PM

PM

“ *I really hated to hear about Bob dying. He was my boss for about 3 years in the mid eighties. He was a great boss. I am going to miss getting to see him at our next Rockwell reunion. If I had heard about it sooner, I would have come to the funeral home. God Bless all the family during this time of sorrow !!!!*

*Phillip Thane Moon*

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**Phillip Thane Moon** - August 14, 2014 at 09:59 AM

BM

“ To The Drake Family: Bob and I were long time colleagues and friends at Rockwell/Boeing. He was always a joy to be around as we worked complex issues to resolution in our work environment and poked fun at each other about our revered college football teams. I could always expect some rebuttal about comments I made on my beloved Vols with an equal to or greater than comparison to his Canes. Bob was respected by his peers for his hard work and friendship. My thoughts and prayers are with the family in this hour of Bob's passing. RIP Bob Drake!

Condolences to all,

Bob Meek-Rockwell/Boeing Retiree

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**Bob Meek** - August 14, 2014 at 07:41 AM

LP

“ So many memories. Bob & I worked together at Rockwell from 1986-1999 when we both went to Alabama to stay with Boeing. He made me laugh when I wanted to cry, he wouldn't go away when I said "Leave me alone". He was a great friend and would do anything for me. We vacationed with the family. I watched Jen, Robbie and Susie grow up into wonderful adults and parents. I hated that my last visit was to say, "See you later when it's my time." He's free from pain and enjoying visiting with family and friends that preceded him plus talking with our God. My heart goes out to Debra, Jen, Robbie & Susie. I will miss you Bob Drake. Until we meet again. God bless, Linda & Tom Patterson

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**Linda Patterson** - August 14, 2014 at 07:12 AM

CP

“ *Debbie and family, words cannot express our sympathy in the loss of Bob. Our prayers and thoughts are with you today and always. God has just received a new angel to watch over us all. Take good care. Love, Butch, Cathy, Greg and Valerie*

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**Cathy Petrone** - August 12, 2014 at 07:02 PM

SR

“ *Steven, Sherry & Stephanie Rousseau lit a candle in memory of Robert Lee Drake*



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**Steven, Sherry & Stephanie Rousseau** - August 12, 2014 at 09:09 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Robert Lee Drake.*



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August 12, 2014 at 09:05 AM

LR

“ Bob was one in a million. Upon approaching him to join us in the mentoring program for Jackson County, he was most interested and hit the ground running. He not only took his time, energy and talents to serve one child in the mentoring program (which he started with) he continued to add another five to his group. He really loved visiting these students and always brought with him something new to learn or explore. I think it was one of the highlights and joys of his life after retirement. As stated in the beginning he was one in a million.

*Through his dedication and love of mentoring he impacted the lives of six students rather than one. I have always felt that he picked up the ball for five other adults that either couldn't or wouldn't. Thanks Bob for making such an impact and difference!*

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**Laura Reynolds** - August 12, 2014 at 08:30 AM

BP

“ Bobby, as we called him in school in Miami, used to hang out at my house with our little group of friends in high school. Many, many wonderful memories of a good friend who was always there for everyone, never judged, was so good hearted, always tried to keep the peace and someone I have always remembered through all these years. RIP my friend Bobby Drake...

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**Barbara Petersen** - August 12, 2014 at 08:20 AM

VP

“ We will always remember Bob for his quick wit and very interesting stories and riddles and jokes.....he always put a smile on our face, and many times, the moral of lots of the stories he told wasn't clear right away, but the more you thought about it, bingo. a light went on and we got it, especially the Light Sucker story. The world lost a beautiful man.... God took him home, his work was done....and Bob, you did an excellent job!

*Victor & Carol Pedraza*

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**Victor & Carol Pedraza** - August 11, 2014 at 09:29 PM

VP

“ Victor & Carol Pedraza lit a candle in memory of Robert Lee Drake



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**Victor & Carol Pedraza** - August 11, 2014 at 09:22 PM

BH

“ Bob was a dear neighbor and friend for several years. A group of ladies (wives) would get together for Bunco one evening a month and the same evening the husbands would go to a favorite restaurant for dinner. I would pick up Bob along with 2-3 other neighbors and drive to the restaurant. Along the way the XM radio would be playing a 50's or 60's tune and Bob would challenge the riders to a little trivia on who the artist was singing the tune. He was always correct! He was the master of trivia. He would always take part of his dinner home in a box saying "it's for Deb". He so loved her and his family.

*His smile and laughter was his trademark. He would laugh until he cried and it was contagious. Thank you "El 'Draco for all the good times. Rest, my friend, in peace. I will always remember you.*

*Bob Hettesheimer*

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**Bob Hettesheimer** - August 11, 2014 at 06:59 PM

JG

“ *Jen and Family -*

*I was saddened to hear about your Daddy's death this weekend. Though I didn't know him very well, I did get to talk with him during some of the holiday get-togethers we both attended. Mostly, we talked about family and living in Alabama which was something important to both of us. I could tell that he was so proud of his family and loved you all dearly. I know that his passing will leave a huge void in your lives, but you never forget the fond memories. Treasure those memories and share them often. It helps.*

*Though I can't be there with you at this time, just know that I will be praying for you.*

*Love,*

*Janet Gilbert  
Oneonta, AL*

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**Janet Gilbert** - August 11, 2014 at 05:53 PM

KB

“ *Bob was such a gift as a mentor for young men through Lindsay's Legacy. We are grateful for his generous service and are so sorry for your loss.*

*Karen Bouchard*

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**Karen Bouchard** - August 11, 2014 at 01:49 PM

ES

“ *Elaine S. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Robert Lee Drake.*



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**Elaine S.** - August 11, 2014 at 01:25 PM

GR

“ *Bob, known as 'El Draco' ( as in Sir Francis Drake) to me, was my neighbor when he lived in Hoschton, and we met every Tuesday morning for coffee, and on Wednesday evening for Wings and Yuengling in Jefferson. He always wanted a particular booth for above it on the wall was a picture of Suzie playing soccer. He never tired of telling people that it was his daughter.*

*We seemed to have a good chat every time, probably because we were both a little crazy but understood each other so well.*

*Unfortunately health problems stopped both these outings I used to so enjoy.*

*Rest in Peace Bob, I'll miss you and our chats. Thanks for the friendship and good times.*

*Geoff.*

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**geoff reynolds** - August 11, 2014 at 10:09 AM

RD

“ *Rhonda Lyn Davie lit a candle in memory of Robert Lee Drake*



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**Rhonda Lyn Davie** - August 11, 2014 at 09:00 AM

BC

*Rob, so sorry for your loss. You and your family are in our thoughts.  
Beth and John Carden/DA's Office-Bhm.*

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**Beth Carden** - August 11, 2014 at 04:44 PM

AR

*Hi I'm Arabella Wolfe I don;t remember my grandpa but wish I  
remember knowing him. He will always be in my prayers and I hope  
you could says the same.*

*Love you grandpa*

*Arabella Wolfe*

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**arabela** - April 28, 2025 at 09:34 PM