



Taylor Stewart

May 23, 1994 - February 13, 2024

Taylor Scott Stewart — beloved son, treasured brother, loyal friend, devoted animal lover, gifted guitarist, accomplished concertgoer, and hilarious jokester — passed away far too soon at his home in Duluth, GA, on February 13, 2024, at just 29 years old. Taylor leaves behind a legacy of laughter, cherished memories, and an unwavering devotion to those he loved.

The world became a better place when Taylor was born on May 23, 1994, in Lawrenceville, GA. He made his entrance with a personality that could disarm any bad mood in an instant and a heart so big it seemed impossible to fit into one person. He spent his early childhood in Duluth until just before his third birthday, when he moved to Grayson. He remained there until moving to Loganville when he was 11. Taylor graduated from Loganville High School with the Class of 2013, and it is rumored that only two teachers retired after having him as a student. His teachers always described Taylor as someone they knew they would have fun with outside of school, but who drove them crazy in the classroom. Apparently, his big personality, sense of humor, and love of talking were considered disruptive in that environment.

Taylor forged forward, knowing what was considered disruptive in school was a rare gift for connection that he later thrived on. Whether you knew him for a lifetime or five minutes, you felt like you had just met your new best friend. He could and would talk to anyone, and when you were in his company you

wanted to stay. This contributed to his success as the Customer Service Director at Rick Hendrick Chrysler Dodge Jeep RAM Duluth over the past six years. He loved animals of every kind and had an easy way of earning their trust, too —whether it was a blind dog, a stray cat, or a curious monkey in Honduras, they all seemed to know they had found a true friend in Taylor.

His excitement for birthdays and Christmas was always over the top — like he became a kid again every year. He never lost his curious-childlike personality that filled him with an insatiable desire to learn and explore. Because of this he would constantly research and question everything; he was your go-to for weather forecasts, sports stats, professional wrestling data, best things to do in a city, music history, movie details, and too many random facts to list. He never ended a Christmas morning, amusement park visit, concert, movie, or vacation without asking, “What was your favorite gift, ride, song, or part?” Then, without being asked, he’d share his own answer and dive into a deep discussion comparing your responses for hours.

Music wasn’t just part of Taylor; it was his life’s soundtrack. He lived his life in the key of C: confident, carefree, creative, curious, considerate, caring, courageous, credible, and completely consumed by music. He could make his guitar sing like it was telling its own story. At concerts he loved shouting the words to every song, dancing like nobody was watching, and filling the air with his vibrant smile and laughter.

A true fan of Alabama and the Braves, you would often hear Taylor yell “Roll Tide!” or watch him start the tomahawk chant no matter where he was or who he was with. You couldn’t help but have a good time being around him regardless of which team you cheered for or whether your team was winning or losing. His enthusiasm for these games was infectious, creating lasting memories during friendly rivalries and spirited discussions.

Taylor loved a delicious meal and could turn a simple bowl of popcorn or ramen noodles into a gourmet experience. According to Taylor, you could never go wrong with a plate of pizza rolls, a bowl of macaroni and cheese, or a grilled cheese sandwich. But Taylor's culinary passion wasn't all about devouring his favorite things, it was about bringing people together. Good food and good beer made him happy, and he was all about sharing that happiness with as many people as possible. In a world full of appetizers, Taylor was the main course — a feast of a man who lived life with relish and a beer in his hand.

He also loved the beach, the lake, the mountains, the smell of rain, big cozy fires, superhero movies, gaming with friends, and the kind of nights where you lose track of time talking and laughing underneath the stars. He had a knack for making life feel brighter, often describing things simply as “amazing”. And somehow, when Taylor said it, you believed it. He lived fully, loved deeply, and never missed a chance to make someone laugh.

Though Taylor's time here was far too short, his song plays on — a melody that will live forever in the hearts of everyone who loves him.

Taylor, we have always loved you and always will! Keep strumming, keep smiling, keep laughing, and Roll Tide!

Taylor is preceded in death by his maternal grandfather, James Melton; paternal grandparents, Pete & Bobbie Stewart; one aunt; and two uncles.

Taylor will be forever missed and lovingly remembered by his mother and step-father, Tammy & Jeff Johnston; his father and step-mother, Mickey & Joni Stewart; brothers, Jeremy Johnston and Dylan Heller; maternal grandmother, Linda Melton; aunts and uncles, Harold & Megan Melton, Sandy Stewart,

Leslie & Jim Harmon, and Melinda & Mike Hudgens; girlfriend, Maggie Valdez; his blind white German Shepherd, Toby; several cousins; countless friends who he considered family; and a world forever changed by his smile, laughter, and love of life.

A celebration of Taylor's life will be held from 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM on Sunday, February 25, 2024, at the Loganville Historic Rock Gym, 135 Main Street, Loganville, GA 30052. Friends and family are invited to come as if you were spending the day with Taylor and share your favorite stories about him. Arrangements are by Tim Stewart Funeral Home, 670 Tom Brewer Road, Loganville, GA 30052. Phone: 770-466-1544. Please sign the online guest registry at www.stewartfh.com.

In lieu of flowers, please honor Taylor by finding something to laugh at every day (even if it's yourself), watching this 17-minute journey of his life at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1E2TypecyuM> — beginning the day he was born and ending with a selfie taken the day before he passed — and by making a donation to Angels Among Us Pet Rescue at <https://angelsrescue.org/>.

Finally, in true Taylor fashion — “If you get confused, listen to the music play.”

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

FEB **25**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Loganville Historic Rock Gym
135 Main Street
Loganville, GA 30052

Tribute Wall

AK

“ I only knew Taylor for a short time but he was a great friend all the while. We enjoyed a wonderful Shakti concert together and both shared a love of music. In a trip to Ireland last week I lit a candle at the Galway cathedral to remember his life and memory. He will be missed by many — a life gone too soon. Rest in peace, friend.

Andrew Keith - February 25, 2024 at 03:14 PM

NP

“ Rest well Taylor. It was a pleasure knowing you. -Nikki P (BDC)



Nikki Phillip - February 24, 2024 at 04:37 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Taylor Stewart.



February 21, 2024 at 08:19 PM

MB

“ Mike & Lisa Boone planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Taylor Stewart.

Mike & Lisa Boone - February 21, 2024 at 08:19 PM

VC

“ We extend our deepest condolences to all of the family members of Taylor. We only knew him for a short time, but he was a great gentleman that you can tell he loved his family. Our prayers are with you at this time.

Vickie Criswell, and Eric Lu State Farm

Vickie Criswell - February 21, 2024 at 09:25 AM



DC

“ R.I.P Taylor Stewart I met Taylor when I bought my vehicle at Rick Hendrick Chevrolet in Duluth Georgia he was a very sweet gentleman you will be missed . Spread your wings and fly high my friend .

Debbie Cochran - February 20, 2024 at 11:29 AM



Dee Sylvia

“ Rest well Taylor 🥹

Dee Sylvia - February 17, 2024 at 07:13 PM



BT

“ Billy Thornton purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Taylor Stewart.



Billy Thornton - February 17, 2024 at 03:21 PM

LG

“ Love, Greg and Brooke Greenlee purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Taylor Stewart.



Love, Greg and Brooke Greenlee - February 17, 2024 at 01:45 PM

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VC

“ Virginia Dare Cooper lit a candle in memory of Taylor Stewart



Virginia Dare Cooper - February 17, 2024 at 09:58 AM

VC

My heart and prayers, are with you during the time of saying good-bye to your wonderful, bless, caring son. God Bless You All.

Virginia Dare Cooper - February 17, 2024 at 10:00 AM