



David Lamar Wardlaw

November 8, 1956 - November 5, 2025

David Lamar Wardlaw, age 68, of Lookout Mountain, Tennessee, entered his eternal rest on Wednesday, November 5, 2025, surrounded by his loving wife, Barbara, Bill Brooks, and his faithful canine companion, Darryl.

David was born in LaFayette, Georgia, to the late Jacob Aaron Wardlaw and Helen Huff Wardlaw. He was a 1974 graduate of Gordon Lee Memorial High School and attended Dalton Junior College, where he was a member of the 1975 Roadrunner golf team. He later continued his education at Georgia Southern University, graduating in 1978 with a Bachelor of Science in Industrial Management.

David had a lifelong passion for sports and automobiles. He especially loved cheering on his Georgia Bulldogs—often with a hearty “Go Dawgs!”—and his Georgia Southern Eagles. Whether watching a game or talking sports with friends, his enthusiasm and loyalty to his teams were unwavering.

David’s career was marked by hard work, dedication, and integrity. He was employed by Salem Carpet Mills, Fruit of the Loom, Inc., Clayton Manufactured Homes, and Tai Ping Carpet, which later became Royal Thai Americas, Inc. His career took him to Asheville, North Carolina, and Greenville, Mississippi, before he and Barbara made their home on Lookout Mountain, where they have lived for the past 27 years.

David will be remembered not only for his professional accomplishments and love of sports, but also for his kind heart, quiet strength, and steadfast faith. He lived each day with gratitude and grace, trusting in God's plan and sharing his joy with those around him.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Jacob Aaron and Helen Huff Wardlaw.

Left to cherish his memory are his devoted wife of 37 years, Barbara Jewell Wardlaw; his beloved dog, Darryl; his uncle and aunt, Charles and Shirley Wardlaw of LaFayette; his aunt, Carol Browder of Lookout Mountain; brother-in-law: Corky (Terri) Jewell; and many nieces, nephews, cousins, classmates, and dear friends.

The family will receive friends on Saturday, November 15, 2025, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Wilson Funeral Home – J. Avery Bryan Chapel in Chickamauga. A Celebration of Life service will follow at 1:00 p.m. in the chapel, with Pastor Terry Burns and Bill Brooks officiating. Inurnment will be private.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Gordon Lee Alumni Association, 402 Cove Road, Chickamauga, GA 30707.

Though his earthly journey has ended, David's legacy of love, laughter, and faith will continue to shine brightly in the lives of all who knew him.

Arrangements are entrusted to Wilson Funeral Home – J. Avery Bryan Chapel, Chickamauga, Georgia.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 15. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Wilson Funeral Homes - Chickamauga Chapel

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Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall

RA

“ In 1980, David and I worked in the Corporate offices of Standard Coosa Thatcher. He and I would go out for lunch on occasion, when I was in Chattanooga working. Over the years we have kept in touch with each other and in 2019 I met him for lunch at Ruby Tuesday in Calhoun Ga. Enjoyed our conversations and I know he will be missed but not forgotten.



Ron Adcox - November 15, 2025 at 09:34 AM

KL

“ Karyl Lauder purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of David Lamar Wardlaw.



Karyl Lauder - November 13, 2025 at 03:18 PM

SW

“ Sue Wade lit a candle in memory of David Lamar Wardlaw



Sue Wade - November 13, 2025 at 11:27 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of David Lamar Wardlaw.*



November 13, 2025 at 10:22 AM



“ *Friends at Professional Testing Laborato planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David Lamar Wardlaw.*

Friends at Professional Testing Laborato - November 13, 2025 at 10:22 AM



“ *Edna Gideon lit a candle in memory of David Lamar Wardlaw*



edna gideon - November 13, 2025 at 04:30 AM



“ *Sheliah Henley lit a candle in memory of David Lamar Wardlaw*



Sheliah Henley - November 12, 2025 at 07:48 PM

PF

“ My parents and David’s were friends long before we were even born. David lived across the street from Dot Denton..Used to keep me when I was little in the summer when my mother worked. David would climb trees in his front yard and throw rocks at me in the front yard of Dots house. When my daughter Angie was born, she had colic for three months every day just like clockwork around 5 o’clock when I was trying to cook supper angie would start screaming and crying. David was there every day and he would walk Angie around and around our little single wide trailer until she would stop crying. He did that for three months. Angie always looked to David as her uncle David and Neil did too. They both love David. Neil happened to run into David one time when David and Barbara were here tailgating and David saw Angie and he could not believe angie had grown up to be so big and such a beautiful girl. He remembered her as just a little redheaded, strawberry blonde Girl that cried all the time. My condolences are with Barbara and David’s family and friends.

Pamela Jackson Folger - November 12, 2025 at 04:45 PM

LO

“ Love,Sandra,Jean,Jane,Janice,LonnaLuanne purchased the Heavenly Grace Spray for the family of David Lamar Wardlaw.



Love,Sandra,Jean,Jane,Janice,LonnaLuanne - November 12, 2025 at 04:23 PM