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Eddy LaWayne Garner, 64, of LaFayette, Georgia, passed away on Friday, June 13, 2025. He was born in Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia to Edward “Tib” and Marie Garner. LaWayne was a lifelong resident of the Northwest Georgia area and was of the Baptist faith. LaWayne loved his community. He has served this community as an Emergency Medical Technician with several local ambulance companies and served in Law Enforcement with several agencies including the Walker County Sheriff’s Office. LaWayne graduated from Gordon Lee Memorial High School in 1979 and was a member of the Trojan’s Marching Band. He loved Georgia Bulldogs Football and watching them play. LaWayne volunteered with the Special Needs Rodeo and judged several of their events. He always enjoyed his beach trips to Disney with good friends, Suzanne Howard and Lex. LaWayne was a great friend to everyone who knew him and he dearly loved his family. LaWayne will be dearly missed by his community that he faithfully served, his loving family and all who knew him.

LaWayne is preceded in death by his father, Roy “Tib” Edward Garner; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Grafton Garner and Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Haney; and sister-in-law, Dena Garner.

Those left to cherish his memory include his mother, Daris Marie Garner of LaFayette, Georgia; brothers, Larry (Vicki) Garner of Rock Spring, Georgia, Barry (Jeanette) Garner of LaFayette, Georgia, and Michael Garner of Flintstone, Georgia; nieces, Erica, Karen and Lynn; and nephews, Kyle and Jason; good friends, Suzanne Howard and Lex and many other friends in the community.

The family has arranged for a time to remember and honor LaWayne. Friends and family are invited to join us on Monday, June 16, 2025, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Tuesday, June 17, 2025, from 12 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. for visitation. The funeral service, a time to celebrate LaWayne's life, will be held on Tuesday, June 17, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. The family appreciates your prayers and support during this difficult time.

An Online guest book can be found at www.wilsonfuneralhome.com. Wilson Funeral Homes – LaFayette Chapel in LaFayette, Georgia, is handling the funeral arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 16. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wilson Funeral Homes - LaFayette Chapel
1779 North Main Street
P.O. Box 1592
LaFayette, GA 30728
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Visitation

JUN 17. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

JUN 17. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *I was truly saddened to hear of LaWayne’s passing. Praying for the Garner family.* ”

Sharon McDaniel (Garner) - June 17, 2025 at 06:36 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Eddy LaWayne Garner.* ”

June 16, 2025 at 09:44 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Eddy LaWayne Garner.* ”



June 16, 2025 at 09:44 AM



“ *Mamie Swanson lit a candle in memory of Eddy LaWayne Garner* ”



Mamie Swanson - June 15, 2025 at 07:23 PM

MS

“ My late husband and I went to church together together for several years. He was a good friend. Prayers for his family for peace and comfort during this time. RIP... 🙏🙏

Mamie Swanson - June 15, 2025 at 07:22 PM

JH

“ Michael, I am sorry to hear about the passing of your brother. My thoughts and prayers are with the family and many friends he leaves behind. James Helton, Gateway Baptist Church, Rossville, Ga



James Helton - June 15, 2025 at 12:36 AM

LR

“ Love, Juanita, Linda, Martha, Regina purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Eddy LaWayne Garner.



Love, Juanita, Linda, Martha, Regina - June 14, 2025 at 10:05 AM



“ Edna Gideon lit a candle in memory of Eddy LaWayne Garner



Edna Gideon - June 14, 2025 at 08:51 AM

RT

“ *I'm going to miss you LaWayne.*

Ronda Wilson Tate - June 14, 2025 at 05:29 AM

TP

“ *Lafayette ws my FTO, field training officer when I 1st started at the sheriff's office. We went to high school together and had been friends ever since. He will be missed. A good friend always putting others ahead of himself. Good bye my friend God's Speed.*

TIM PERKINS

Tim Perkins - June 14, 2025 at 05:13 AM

DD

“ This will be a long tribute. I loved LaWayne very much. We grew up together. Actually, he was more my brother, Doug Guffey's age but I feel "we" grew up together. When I worked for the Bank of Chickamauga, he was my most favorite "customer". Because we had known each other for years, he would come in with this sideways grin & I would just grin & laugh back because I knew I was going to be "harassed" in a big brother/little sister way. He always teased me because I couldn't count money. "How could I possibly work at a bank?" LOL I would get so frustrated & amused that for the life of me; I couldn't count. We continued our friendship through Facebook & the phone after I had moved away from Chickamauga. We have had many heart to heart conversations about family, life, friendships, health & just about everything else you could think of. He was like a big brother to me. You know the type.....the one you CHOSE; even if it wasn't by blood. I do not think LaWayne ever realized just how special he was. Caring, wickedly funny, supportive, sincere & just a wonderful person you could always count on. I wish he had realized all of those things. I wish I had been the friend I should have been the last few months. I got wrapped up in my own world of issues & was not 'there' like I should have been. I will regret that for the rest of my days. I hope you are at peace. I hope you are finally pain free. I will end this, as we always ended every conversation or text....."I love you." I sincerely & dearly do.

Debra Guffey Diffenderfer - June 13, 2025 at 10:22 PM

BB

“ I worked with Lewayne for several years at Walker County Sheriff's Office and I will miss a good friend. 🙏

Bradley Battles - June 13, 2025 at 08:08 PM

TD

“ *I'm in shock. I'm going to miss you my dear friend. May you rest in peace. Love, Tammy Dana*

Tammy Dana - June 13, 2025 at 07:31 PM