



James Franklin Newsome

March 10, 1957 - March 15, 2019

James Franklin (Frank) Newsome passed away Friday March 15, 2019 at his home.

Frank was born in Thomson, GA, on March 10, 1957 to Homer Clarence and Theo Farr Newsome (deceased).

Frank earned a BS in Agronomy from the University of Georgia and worked in his field at the UGA experiment station until retiring in 2011.

Frank loved music, camping with friends, hunting, fishing, gardening and caring for his land. He was a gentle, studious man with a big heart, a quiet manner and a loving spirit. He especially enjoyed visiting with friends and family. Frank lived his life on his own terms.

A faithful friend, brother, and son, a devoted father and husband, he will be sorely missed by all who knew and loved him.

Frank is survived by his wife of 40 years Debra, son Asher and wife Ikumi, daughter Emily, brother David Newsome and wife Judy, sister Judy Stewart and husband Glenn, sister Naomi Beers and husband Barry, and many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

The family will receive visitors on Tuesday, March 19 from 11 am to 1 pm at Eatonton First United Methodist Church fellowship hall.

A celebration of Frank's life is planned for later this spring. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorial gifts be made to UGA Horticulture Club Scholarship fund, Horticulture Department, UGA, Athens GA 30602 or a charity of your choice.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **19**. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Eatonton First United Methodist Church
103 W Magnolia St
Eatonton, GA 31024

Tribute Wall

BB

“ I was so sorry to read about Frank's passing - he and I met when he worked at the Eatonton Branch Experiment Station, well over 30 years ago and I was working at the Griffin Experiment Station. I will remember his smile and his great sense of humor. To Debra, Asher and Ikumi, Emily and all his family, I express my sorrow for your loss.

Bill Blum - March 25, 2019 at 12:29 AM

GB

“ I did not have the pleasure of knowing Frankie as an adult. My friendship with him was in high school. Our paths never crossed again once we graduated in May of 1975 from Thomson High School. My memory of the high school young man is of his being kind, gentle-spirited, quiet, and having a great smile. From things I have read about him, I suspect he carried those wonderful attributes right on into adulthood. My heart and prayers go out to Debra and to Frank's children as they attempt to navigate life without him. I also pray your precious memories can be a soothing balm.

Ginger Palmer Blalock - March 21, 2019 at 08:38 AM

DM

“ Debbie and family, we are so shocked to learn of Frank's passing. He was a really nice, a very congenial person. Even though we haven't seen him in years, we are saddened by this. Please accept our sympathy and condolences at this difficult time. He will be missed by all who knew him. Dottie and Dennis McClain

Dottie McClain - March 18, 2019 at 01:36 PM

BH

“ *I'm empty. I don't know what to say. Since we went to the same church, I've known Frankie longer than any of my friends.. Every choir tour, all over the country, were roommates. Even though we didn't see each other much since I can't camp anymore, I've always considered him my best friend and I loved him with all of my heart. The world lost a great man. You'll always be loved and remembered Frankie.*

Bill Hunt - March 18, 2019 at 05:27 AM