



Sidney Leon Turner

February 21, 1962 - January 26, 2020

Sidney Leon Turner, affectionately known as “Twin” was born on February 21, 1962 in Gainesville Georgia to Rosalyn Turner and the late June Harris. He began his eternal journey on Saturday, January 26, 2020.

Leon was a 1980 graduate of Gainesville High School where he played football for the mighty Red Elephants. Soon after high school, he worked at the Georgia Department of Transportation. He later transitioned into public service where he worked as a firefighter for the Hall County Fire Services for over 15 years. Leon’s heroic efforts were often captured by the Gainesville Times newspaper. Most recently, he worked for the Hall County Department of Parks and Leisure. He was a diligent worker and in addition to his full-time employment, he held numerous part-time jobs around the community including Billy Webb Catering, Georgia Mountains Center, EKG security at the Georgia Dome, Red Rabbit bus driver, and Gainesville City Schools substitute bus driver. Leon also supported grieving families by working with Memorial Park Funeral Home.

A brother and friend to many, Leon was a generous spirit that unselfishly served his community. He was a member of the transportation, security, healthcare and ushers ministries at his beloved St. John Baptist Church. He also had an entrepreneurial spirit that led him to start Turner’s Lawn Maintenance Service and Turner’s Bounce House Rental.

Leon enjoyed family gatherings and family reunions, although he seldom sat

down and chose to work. He always provided coolers with ice, placed cones for parking, and set up tents, tables and chairs. He focused his efforts to make sure his family and friends were comfortable and provided for. Leon was loving and playful, often teasing and laughing with everyone, and offering to lend a hand when needed. He made friends easily and had special relationships with many in the community. His most special relationship was with his daughter whom he doted on every chance he had. She was his heart and considered his second "twin", often tagging along with Leon on his daily tasks.

Leon was preceded in death by grandparents, John and Ruby Lee (Young) Turner, and John Henry and Odessa Harris; niece, Chunese Turner; aunt, Sadie Bell (Turner) McClusky; uncle, Lamar Turner; and brothers-in-law, Zachary Pickens and Welcomb Lipscomb.

He is survived by his daughter, Makayla Ruby Turner; special friend, Valeria Dunn; mother, Rosalyn Turner; sisters, Berlinda Lipscomb and Stephanie Pickens; brothers, Deon Turner, Chris Turner and Mark Butler; great aunt, Mildred Brown; aunts, Billie Morris, Annie Ruth Millsap, Martha Mays, and Lisa (Herbie) Mize; uncles, Asberry Turner, John Turner, Larry (Karole) Turner, Emory Turner, and Douglas (Clara) Turner; nieces, Leslie (Stacy) Harrison, Carla Lipscomb, Courtney (Darimus) Glasper, Camille Turner, and Charity Pickens; special friends, Lora Thomas and Quinn Seay, and a host of other relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

Alta Vista Cemetery

521 Jones Street
Gainesville, GA 30501

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 31. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Saint John Baptist Church
757 EE Butler Parkway
Gainesville, GA 30501

Service

FEB 1. 2:00 PM (ET)

Saint John Baptist Church
757 EE Butler Parkway
Gainesville, GA 30501

Tribute Wall



“ *Sidney Leon Turner*

October 22, 2023 at 04:48 PM



“ *Camille Stephens lit a candle in memory of Sidney Leon Turner*



Camille Stephens - February 04, 2022 at 09:04 AM



“ *Richard O Trammell lit a candle in memory of Sidney Leon Turner*



richard o Trammell - February 11, 2020 at 09:05 PM



“ *To the family, my condolences to you and continued prayers for the many days ahead.*

Reggie Wilburn - February 10, 2020 at 11:28 PM

DW

“ *Donna E. Wayman lit a candle in memory of Sidney Leon Turner*



Donna E. Wayman - February 03, 2020 at 05:47 PM

HL

“ *Leon you were a lifelong friend who always made me laugh. RIP my friend...the world is a better place because you were in it.*

henry Lawson - February 01, 2020 at 09:01 PM

LC

“ *Lisa Cameron lit a candle in memory of Sidney Leon Turner*



Lisa Cameron - February 01, 2020 at 06:48 PM

RH

“ *My Prayers 🙏🙏 And Condolences goes out to the Turner Family From The Harris Family..*



Regina Harris - February 01, 2020 at 04:04 PM

MH

“ May God send comfort to your family, my condolences to the community and family. He will be missed.

Michelle Hawks-Jackson - February 01, 2020 at 02:20 PM

LR

“ Deepest condolences to the family. Keeping you in our thoughts and prayers.

Cedric and Lynne Randolph



Lynne Randolph - February 01, 2020 at 09:33 AM

EM

“ Ebony Moses lit a candle in memory of Sidney Leon Turner



Ebony Moses - February 01, 2020 at 01:01 AM

EB

“ My condolences to the family of Sidney Leon Turner. May God continue to strengthen and comfort your family during this sorrowful time. Leon was truly a nice, friendly person to all that he came in contact with. Leon “Twin” will be missed by all that knew him. R.I.H Sidney Leon “Twin” Turner!! 🙏



Elisa Bonds-Ratliff - January 31, 2020 at 07:38 PM

TC

“ Timothy Colbert purchased the Simply Elegant S pathiphyllum for the family of Sidney Leon Turner



Timothy Colbert - January 31, 2020 at 03:22 PM

TS

“ The "Red Rabbit" Staff purchased the Sweet Tran quility Basket for the family of Sidney Leon Turner



The "Red Rabbit" Staff - January 31, 2020 at 03:20 PM

YC

“ Your "Red Rabbit" Co-workers. lit a candle in memory of Sidney Leon Turner



Your "Red Rabbit" Co-workers. - January 31, 2020 at 02:52 PM

DW

“ Doug Williamson lit a candle in memory of Sidney Leon Turner



Doug Williamson - January 30, 2020 at 07:42 PM

MM

“ *Mattie L Mathis lit a candle in memory of Sidney Leon Turner*



Mattie L Mathis - January 30, 2020 at 01:59 PM

CR

“ *Cathy Robinson lit a candle in memory of Sidney Leon Turner*



Cathy Robinson - January 30, 2020 at 01:56 PM

SL

“ *My sympathy to the family of Leon Turner. I shall always have a fond memory of Leon. I was his Head Start Teacher. He always showed love whenever he saw me. He gave me his last hug during the MLK celebration there at St. John January 20, 2020.*
Shirley Lipscomb

Shirley Lipscomb - January 30, 2020 at 12:30 PM

TF

“ *The Randolph & Young Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Sidney Leon Turner .*



The Randolph & Young Family - January 30, 2020 at 12:03 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Sidney Leon Turner .*



January 30, 2020 at 11:57 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the Turner family during this difficult time. Leon was a special friend.*

Ben & Laurie Mason

Ben Mason - January 30, 2020 at 11:34 AM



“ *My prayers go out to the family and friends of Leon he was a very nice person and he will be missed. Mrs Barbara Davenport n Family*



Barbara Davenport n Old-school - January 30, 2020 at 08:04 AM



“ *Melinda Hutchins lit a candle in memory of Sidney Leon Turner*



Melinda Hutchins - January 30, 2020 at 07:41 AM

KC

“ Kimberly Carithers sent a virtual gift in memory of Sidney Leon Turner



Kimberly Carithers - January 29, 2020 at 07:22 PM

BM

“ Our sincere condolences are with you. This community has lost a trooper and he will truly be missed. Praying for you all Earnest and Barbara Mason.



Barbara Mason - January 29, 2020 at 04:46 PM

SW

“ Sharon Williams lit a candle in memory of Sidney Leon Turner



Sharon Williams - January 29, 2020 at 03:33 PM

GC

A sweet, kind spirit who will truly be missed. Praying for the family and his many, many friends-Gary & Bobbie Cox

Gary&Bobbie Cox - January 29, 2020 at 09:46 PM

CY

Rest in peace 🙏🙏🙏 Leon you will be missed 240

Cy - January 30, 2020 at 07:46 AM

CH

Rest in peace 🙏🙏🙏 Leon you will be missed 240

Cynthia Hester - January 30, 2020 at 07:48 AM

LH

May God keep and comfort you .

Linda R Hutchens - January 30, 2020 at 01:38 PM

ML

“ *Michael Leverette lit a candle in memory of Sidney Leon Turner*



Michael Leverette - January 29, 2020 at 02:34 PM

TB

“ *Troy Bennett lit a candle in memory of Sidney Leon Turner*



Troy Bennett - January 29, 2020 at 12:44 PM

VT

“ *Vickie, Marcus, Matthew and Maurice Turner purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Sidney Leon Turner .*



Vickie, Marcus, Matthew and Maurice Turner - January 29, 2020 at 12:18 PM

KP

“ *Kaye Tabor Phillips lit a candle in memory of Sidney Leon Turner*



Kaye Tabor Phillips - January 28, 2020 at 11:02 PM

CW

“ *Deon was a great guy with a huge heart! Always had a smile to share and a good easy going nature.He was a gentleman with class. He will be greatly missed but heaven will welcome him with arms reaching,RIP great brother!!*

chip whitmire - January 28, 2020 at 10:04 PM

CS

“ *My condolences to the Turner family..*



Charles Hendrix, Sr. - January 28, 2020 at 09:52 PM

CC

“ *Rest In Peace Brother HCFD!*

Clark C Collins - January 28, 2020 at 09:29 PM

DM

“ Deandre Murphy lit a candle in memory of Sidney Leon Turner



Deandre Murphy - January 28, 2020 at 08:03 PM

CI

“ Cathy Ivory lit a candle in memory of Sidney Leon Turner



Cathy Ivory - January 28, 2020 at 07:48 PM

RR

“ Reverend Christopher Roper lit a candle in memory of Sidney Leon Turner



Reverend Christopher Roper - January 28, 2020 at 06:58 PM

JG

“ Joycelyn Hailey Glasper lit a candle in memory of Sidney Leon Turner



Joycelyn Hailey Glasper - January 28, 2020 at 06:46 PM

BS

“ *Betty&Edward Shield lit a candle in memory of Sidney Leon Turner*



Betty&Edward Shield - January 28, 2020 at 06:16 PM

PL

“ *Pat Lott lit a candle in memory of Sidney Leon Turner*



Pat Lott - January 28, 2020 at 05:45 PM

DJ

“ *Derlyn Turner Jones lit a candle in memory of Sidney Leon Turner*



Derlyn Turner Jones - January 28, 2020 at 05:37 PM



“ *My Condolences to the family. Sorry for your loss.*



Michelle Poole Bell - January 28, 2020 at 05:36 PM



“ I HADN'T SEEN LEON IN A WHILE BUT WE ALWAYS PLAYED BASKETBALL AT BUTLER GYM RIP

Doyle Lipscomb - January 28, 2020 at 05:05 PM



“ My Condolences to the family of Leon Turner,My thoughts and prayers are with you always.



Louise Randolph - January 28, 2020 at 05:02 PM



“ Louise Randolph sent a virtual gift in memory of Sidney Leon Turner



Louise Randolph - January 28, 2020 at 05:00 PM



“ Please accept my deepest condolences my prayers are with the family at this difficult time.



Darryl Hudson - January 28, 2020 at 04:47 PM

CF

“ *Cousin Stan and Carol Young and Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Sidney Leon Turner .*



Cousin Stan and Carol Young and Family - January 28, 2020
at 04:10 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Sidney Leon Turner .*



January 28, 2020 at 03:05 PM

KB

“ *Kenneth & Dorothy Bolden sent a virtual gift in memory of Sidney Leon Turner*



Kenneth & Dorothy Bolden - January 28, 2020 at 01:11 PM

JM

“ *Joyce Mitchell sent a virtual gift in memory of Sidney Leon Turner*



Joyce Mitchell - January 28, 2020 at 12:07 PM

CH

“ *Crystal And David Hunter lit a candle in memory of Sidney Leon Turner*



Crystal and David Hunter - January 28, 2020 at 10:34 AM

RY

“ *The Young's Family sends our condolences and Prayers.*



Rodney & Mika Young - January 28, 2020 at 10:11 AM

CW

“ *Clairese Wright lit a candle in memory of Sidney Leon Turner*



clairese Wright - January 28, 2020 at 10:10 AM

AY

Our condolences to the family from the Young's and Lott's family ! R.I.P my classmate and friend ! 240 all the way !

Adrian Young - January 28, 2020 at 10:34 AM

PJ

“ My condolences to the entire family of Sydney Leon Turner so sorry for your loss may the peace of God be with you 🙏🙏🙏



Pamela Jackson - January 28, 2020 at 09:51 AM

AN

“ Ann Neal lit a candle in memory of Sidney Leon Turner



Ann Neal - January 28, 2020 at 09:25 AM

BB

“ Big smile and big heart. He will always live in mine forever. May his light continue to shine on the other side. Coach Buddy Bowman

Buddy Bowman - January 28, 2020 at 09:17 AM

JF

“ Jeraldine Sewell Jenkins And Family lit a candle in memory of Sidney Leon Turner



Jeraldine Sewell Jenkins and family - January 28, 2020 at 09:06 AM

RT

“ *Rest easy*



Robin Tanner - January 28, 2020 at 08:55 AM

SB

“ *Shirley Blake lit a candle in memory of Sidney Leon Turner*



Shirley blake - January 28, 2020 at 08:53 AM

SS

“ *Sylvester Storey lit a candle in memory of Sidney Leon Turner*



Sylvester Storey - January 28, 2020 at 08:11 AM

SS

My love always. I will never forget you. One love 240 Always

Sylvester Storey - January 28, 2020 at 08:14 AM

BG

Our condolences to the Turner Family during this difficult time. Praying for the family,

Love Mimi, Tasha and Brenda

Brenda Hill Gilmore - January 28, 2020 at 09:19 AM



Sending our love and prayers to the Turner Family

The Brown Family ❤️

Tawana Brown - January 28, 2020 at 05:16 PM

AM

“ *Prayers to the Turner family as you go through this difficult time.*




Ann Lewis Morrow - January 28, 2020 at 05:40 AM

KB

“ *Kimberly Bryant lit a candle in memory of Sidney Leon Turner*



Kimberly Bryant - January 28, 2020 at 12:44 AM

 Nikiya
Few
Thompson

“ *Nikiya Few Thompson lit a candle in memory of Sidney Leon Turner*



Nikiya Few Thompson - January 27, 2020 at 10:29 PM

HF

“ Hopkins Family lit a candle in memory of
Sidney Leon Turner



Hopkins Family - January 27, 2020 at 02:04 PM