



Joseph "Jody" Lee Eiland

September 21, 1941 - September 1, 2023

"He Has told you, O man, what is good and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with God." Micah 6:8. On September 21, 1941, in the little town of Langdale, Alabama, Raymond Lee Eiland and Annie Evelyn Smith Eiland welcomed a son into their family. Langdale was built on the banks of the Chattahoochee River and was home to the thriving textile miles that covered the south in that era. The textile mills provided housing for their employees and it was on this deep sense of community that Joseph Lee "Jody" Eiland first came to know of the God who created him, the people in the village who loved and watched out for each other, and the makings of the rich relationships which would shape his entire life. Jody found love early in his life and married Margaret Ansley Hand. Jody would move his family to Newnan after he went to work for the company that would become Shaw Industries. He and Ansley would have a wonderful life together until her death in 1999. He retired from Shaw after serving them for 44 years.

As time passed, Jody became acquainted with a lady who, herself, had experienced the unexpected loss of her marriage partner. Their children worked together and engineered their introduction! Their relationship would blossom into romance and their eventual marriage. Jody and June, from the very first, made it a vow to blend their families and make sure everyone felt included in this new family. They were very successful in this endeavor. After Jody left Shaw, he worked for the Coweta County School System in the

facilities maintenance division until he retired. Jody's and June's faith in God was firmly planted in Macedonia Baptist Church. Their service to their church was evidenced by their generous gifts of their time and resources. A favorite activity for Jody and June was The Young at Heart group. Many hours of fellowship bonded great friendships within this group. Jody loved God's great creations of this Earth and all the flowers, rocks, and koi fish he could bring into his little Garden of Eden at his home. Nothing was more satisfying for him than sitting on his back porch in the evening enjoying the sunset and his perfectly manicured landscape. To know Jody Eiland was to have a friend who took joy in your good times and would help carry you through your difficult times.

In addition to his parents, Jody was preceded in death by his sister LaRue (and Leon) Hurst. Jody is survived by his devoted wife June Eiland. Also surviving is his son, Todd (and Deanna) Eiland. His sibling is Jimmy (and Marsha) Eiland. June's children whom he loved as his own are Jay (and Debra) Sewell, Julie (and Kevin) Couch. Jody personified the doting grandfather. The lucky grands are Margaret Ann Eiland, Joseph and Stephanie Eiland, Amber and David Rowe, Trey and Chelsey Sewell, Autumn and Austin Duncan, Abbey and Dionis Felix, and Sophey Sewell. There was plenty of love to go around for the great-grandchildren Ansley Eiland, Josie Eiland, David Rowe, Charley Sewell, and Indy Felix. Also surviving is his niece Jennifer (and Chris) Harmon. His nephews are Kevin Eiland, Dean (and Mary) Hurst, Dale (and Dana) Hurst. His sister-in-law is Joyce Hand Gooden. Not to be left out, is his furry four-legged friend and constant companion, Cody.

The life and example of this good man will be remembered in a celebratory service at Macedonia Baptist Church on Tuesday, September 5, 2023, at 4:00 PM. It will be led by his pastors Matthew Myers and Kevin Couch. The family will receive friends beginning at 2:00 PM at the church. The interment will be

later in Rest Haven Memorial Gardens in Valley Alabama. It is the family's request that memorial contributions in Jody's memory be made to Macedonia Baptist Church 1504 Macedonia Road Newnan GA 30263.

Online condolences may be expressed at www.mckoon.com.

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory (770) 253-4580.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **5**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Macedonia Baptist Church
1504 Macedonia Road
Newnan, GA 30263

Funeral Service

SEP **5**. 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

J.

“ I was teaching chemistry at East Coweta when Jody was assigned as our maintenance person. His smile and demeanor made him an instant colleague and friend. Whatever you needed, whether it was a maintenance item or just a friendly word, Jody was there. What a great, wonderful human being. He will surely be missed by anyone whose life he touched.

J.D.Nigrelli - September 08, 2023 at 03:36 PM

TR

“ Tammy R. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joseph "Jody" Lee Eiland.

Tammy R. - September 06, 2023 at 07:31 AM

SB

“ Mr. Jody was always so kind and helpful when he came to Elm Street during his time with the CCSS. Praying for your family and rejoicing that he is now completely healed in Heaven with Jesus.

Sally Brass - September 05, 2023 at 09:32 AM

GK

“ Dearest June,
We will miss precious Jody so much. He was a wonderful example of a Christian, and it didn't go unnoticed. Praise God he is free now. We are traveling and unable to attend his service. So sorry.

Gayle & Chuck Kreckman - September 05, 2023 at 09:17 AM

MB

“ June, we are so saddened by the passing of Jody. We remember well sitting in the Chemo room with you and Jody. Our prayers are with you and your family.
Mickey and Marie Butler

Mickey and Marie Butler - September 05, 2023 at 08:51 AM

SC

“ So sorry to hear of Brother Jody's passing. He was a dear friend and mentor to me for many years. Steve Crews, Open Door Baptist Church

Steve Crews - September 05, 2023 at 07:48 AM

JS

“ So sorry for your loss Todd, Praying for you and your family.

Joe Spivey Jr.

Joe P Spivey - September 04, 2023 at 05:42 PM

PC

“ June & all of your family, praying for peace & understanding on the passing of Jodie. From the family of James & Mary Ferrell. We are sure there will be a great celebration in heaven!!! Love, Pam & Tom Clemons



Pam Clemons - September 04, 2023 at 10:12 AM

EK

“ Elaine Kee lit a candle in memory of Joseph "Jody" Lee Eiland



Elaine Kee - September 03, 2023 at 08:59 PM

EK

“ Wanted to share with you. I worked at West Point Pepperell Jody was my supervisor. He had a beautiful heart. He was always kind, even tempered and nice. Always had a smile for you. Used to get tickled when I would drive in the gate. He kept his orange jeep spotless, tires and all! Used to bet myself those tires would be muddy one day! I lost that bet! Many a time I have thought about him, his character and how he was doing. I know now that he is in a beautiful place with our Heavenly Father!!!! Elaine Kee

Elaine Kee - September 03, 2023 at 08:50 PM

PH

“ Jody was such a good example of what it is to walk with Christ. Integrity and friend are the words I think describe him best. What a wonderful being and how blessed we are to have known him. Rest in peace Jody, you are healed! Joe and Peggy Jolloway

Peggy and Joe Holloway - September 03, 2023 at 08:03 PM

DO

“ Jody will be missed by all of us at Macedonia Baptist Church. He was a great friend. Love and prayers to June and her family.



Donna - September 03, 2023 at 06:02 PM

BK

“ *Brenda L. King lit a candle in memory of Joseph "Jody" Lee Eiland*



Brenda L. King - September 03, 2023 at 04:01 PM

JB

“ *Jimmy and Marsha, so sorry to read this. Our most Sincere Sympathy.
May you feel God's Love and Comfort now and the days ahead.*

John & Sherrel Bidne - September 03, 2023 at 03:41 PM

RM

“ *Roger and I will miss Jody very much! Jody was a true servant of the Lord. I know he is walking the streets of gold. Jody and June has been a blessing to us. We love you June!!*

Rosemarie McDaniel - September 03, 2023 at 12:59 PM

LF

“ *Lisa Fitzpatrick.....Lowes lit a candle in memory of Joseph "Jody" Lee Eiland*



Lisa Fitzpatrick.....Lowes - September 03, 2023 at 12:54 PM

EJ

“ *Ellen Johnson lit a candle in memory of Joseph "Jody" Lee Eiland*



Ellen Johnson - September 03, 2023 at 10:33 AM

EJ

“ *So sorry to hear of the passing of Jody. He was a good man, loved by all! We will be in Florida celebrating Ricks Dads 91st birthday and won't be able to attend the service, but know that we love you June and will be praying for you and the family.*

Ellen and Rick Johnson

Ellen Johnson - September 03, 2023 at 10:33 AM

NF

“ *Jody was a true servant of the Lord. He practiced what he preached. What a privileged it has been to call him friend. He will be missed by all those who knew him. June, we will always be here for you. Norman and Hellen Ferrell*

Norman Ferrell - September 03, 2023 at 09:54 AM