



Leon Harold Gaff

August 23, 1947 - May 28, 2025

Mr. Leon Harold Gaff, age 77, of Douglas, Georgia, passed away Wednesday morning, May 28, 2025 at Landmark Hospital in Savannah, Georgia following a period of declining health.

Leon, a native of Coffee County was born August 23, 1947 to the late Ira Gaff and the late Aline Walls Gaff. He was educated in Coffee County and went on to attend the State of Georgia Police Academy where he earned his Law Enforcement certification. Leon retired from the Coffee County Sheriff's Department following 21 years of dedicated service to his community. He was also a member of the Police Benevolent Association for many years.

Leon leaves behind a devoted and loving wife, Julia Maye Schuettler Gaff of Douglas, Georgia; 2 sons: Michael Allen Gaff of Douglas, Georgia, and Darrell Lee Gaff (Scott) of Douglas, Georgia; 2 grandchildren: Amber Gaff and Jarod Gaff, both of Douglas, Georgia, along with a number of nieces, nephews and extended family members.

Leon's family will receive friends on Saturday morning, May 31, 2025 from 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM at St. Illa Baptist Church. A funeral honoring Leon's life will follow at 11:00 AM in St. Illa Baptist Church with Rev. Terry Reagan and Rev. Donnie Kirkland officiating. He will then be laid to rest in St. Illa Cemetery.

Active pallbearers will include: Joey Vaughn, John Davis, Keith Brigmond, Richard Meeks, Mark Carver, Thornell Steghill, and Luis Ramirez.

Honorary pallbearers will include Isaac Brock and the Adult Sunday School Class.

Condolences, kind words and fond memories may be left for Leon's family at www.ricketsonfuneralhome.com.

Leon's arrangements have been entrusted to the kind and compassionate staff of Ricketson Funeral Home, Inc. of Douglas, Georgia.

Cemetery Details

St. Illa Cemetery

5638 Highway 158 West
Douglas, GA 31535

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 31. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Illa Baptist Church
5638 Highway 158 West
Douglas, GA 31535

Funeral Service

MAY 31. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Illa Baptist Church
5638 Highway 158 West
Douglas, GA 31535

Interment

MAY 31 (ET)

St. Illa Cemetery
5638 Highway 158 West
Douglas, GA 31535

Tribute Wall

JT

“ I hate to hear this! I have very fond memories of working with Leon at the Sheriffs Office. Ready in Peace! Prayers for the Family.



Jerry Michael Thomas - May 31, 2025 at 11:14 AM

DG

“ Sorry to hear of his passing. Prayers for Judy & the family



Denise Grimes - May 30, 2025 at 10:17 AM

TW

“ Our prayers are with the family and friends during the loss of your loved one. “He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me” (Psalm 23:1-4). May God continue to strengthen and comfort you all in the coming days.
Georgia Department of Transportation
District 4 Area 2 employees



Twyla Wilson - May 30, 2025 at 09:38 AM

CO

“ CDM Smith Tifton Office purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Leon Harold Gaff.



CDM Smith Tifton Office - May 30, 2025 at 08:44 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Leon Harrold Gaff.

May 30, 2025 at 08:27 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Leon Harold Gaff.



May 30, 2025 at 08:27 AM

LH

“ Dear Michael and Family,
On behalf of us at The Scruggs Company please accept our heartfelt condolences.

Leah Herrin - May 30, 2025 at 08:21 AM

LV

“ *My condolences to Darrell and the family during this time.*



Lindsay Vickers - May 30, 2025 at 07:50 AM

KE

“ *Karleen K Evans lit a candle in memory of Leon Harold Gaff*



Karleen K Evans - May 29, 2025 at 11:52 PM