



## Doyle Gattis

December 18, 1935 - April 11, 2025

Doyle Eugene Gattis

12/18/1935-04/11/2025

Doyle Gattis of Conyers Georgia, with his family by his side, left his earthly home early Friday morning for his well-deserved home in Heaven with his personal Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. He is survived by his beloved wife Shirley, proud son David, and Stacy who is more of a daughter than a daughter in law, sisters, Shirley Millar and Amanda Digby (Cleveland), Sisters in law, Eloise and Phoebe, and more nieces and nephews than you could shake a stick at. He is preceded by his parents B.T. and Ela Mae Gattis, brothers B.T. Gattis Jr., Howard Lamar Gattis and Thomas E. Gattis.

Doyle was born in a corner house at Broad and River Streets in Milstead Georgia. Soon after, his family moved to Green Street and that is where he grew up. He was a star athlete his entire life, playing tennis, football, baseball, ping pong, horseshoes basketball, softball bowling and his beloved golf. His high school days were filled with achievements as well. He was the quarterback of his high school football team, was voted by his teammates for Captain, and was voted 'Best All Around' during his Senior year at Conyers High School on Main Street in Conyers alongside his sweetheart since grade school, Shirley Turner. After high school, he volunteered for the Army and proudly served his country for two years of active duty as a member of the legendary 'Devils in Baggy Pants' 82nd Airborne Division and afterward in the Army Reserves. His weekends were spent hitchhiking from his base to see his

bride Shirley as often as possible with at least one return trip requiring him to sneak back onto base late. After the Army, he went to business college and later worked as a technician for ADT. In the mid 70's he changed careers and became a successful insurance agent, winning Agent of the Year multiple times and was voted by his peers in the Atlanta area as Rookie of the Year on two occasions. He was a regular Million Dollar Round Table member and had a very satisfying career. Doyle was also a long-time member of Rockdale Baptist Church and was elected as its youngest Deacon at the time. In 1981, he took a leave of absence and took his wife and son David on a five-week van ride that was just shy of 10,000 miles around the western United States and parts of Canada. That was a trip of a lifetime for us all. Dad was a generous man, not only with his time, but with his counsel. If he saw anything he could offer advice or help on, he did, like it or not! For a while, his and Shirley's hobby was buying houses and finding wonderful people to buy them. For many years he could be found on Fieldstone Golf Course with his brother and best friend, Lamar. Together they were a force to be reckoned with. To my knowledge, dad had at least two Hole-In-Ones, and a wall full of trophies and awards from their golfing days. At some point mom made him get a job to get him out of the house and he learned small engine repair, land clearing, boat making, piano, harmonica, and PVC fabrication (tinkering) and had a patent on a very unique new style golf bag. Later in life he loved relaxing and seeing the work he and Shirley did for a lifetime. His greatest accomplishment here on this earth was to be happily married to his Shirley for nearly 70 years. From the day they were married, they never left each other's side. Every day was a team effort, and every day was a sacrifice for the other's benefit. They raised a son, David, and tried to guide him and point him down the right path, always teaching, always encouraging, and always loving, beyond measure. Doyle loved everyone. He loved to talk to old friends and meet new ones. So many times, his eyes would light up when his phone rang, and it was someone he hadn't heard from in a while. If you knew him, you never forgot him, and we never will. Rest in peace Dad, til we see you again, we love you!

Funeral services will be held Saturday, April 19, 2025, at 2:00 PM at Scot Ward Funeral Services at Green Meadow Memorial Gardens with Pastor Butch Davis officiating; interment will follow at Green Meadow Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends Friday, April 18, 2025, from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the funeral home. Condolences may be submitted online at [www.scotward.com](http://www.scotward.com). Scot Ward Funeral Services, 699 American Legion Rd., Conyers, GA, 770-483-7216.

# Cemetery Details

## Green Meadow Memorial Gardens

677 American Legion Rd NE  
Conyers, GA 30012

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 18. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Scot Ward Funeral Services at Green Meadow Memorial Gardens  
699 American Legion Road  
Conyers, GA 30012

## Visitation

APR 19. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Scot Ward Funeral Services at Green Meadow Memorial Gardens  
699 American Legion Road  
Conyers, GA 30012

## Service

APR 19. 2:00 PM (ET)

Scot Ward's Green Meadow Chapel  
699 American Legion Road  
Conyers, GA 30012



# Tribute Wall



“ *Scot Ward Funeral Services created a Webcast in memory of Doyle Gattis*



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**Scot Ward Funeral Services** - April 19, 2025 at 02:20 PM

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*Wonderful service! Praise the Lord for his Christian life of service and care for others and his lifelong love of my Aunt, Shirley Turner Gattis.*  
**Steve Mills**

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**Steve Mills** - April 20, 2025 at 06:32 PM



“ *66 files added to the album LifeTributes*



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**Scot Ward Funeral Services** - April 18, 2025 at 01:37 PM



“ *Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Doyle Gattis.*



April 18, 2025 at 12:09 PM



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

April 18, 2025 at 12:09 PM



“ *Eddie and Michell George purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Doyle Gattis.*



**Eddie and Michell George** - April 17, 2025 at 08:13 PM



“ *Eddie and Michell George planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Doyle Gattis.*

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