



## Joel Douglas Foshee

April 13, 1948 - July 7, 2017

Joel Foshee, of Dadeville, AL, took his last breath on July 7th at 6:03 PM. He was surrounded by close friends and family in his last days, at Princeton Baptist Hospital, close to his beloved childhood home of Ensley, after a long battle with pancreatic cancer. He played baseball at Samford University, where he was a proud member of Pi Kappa Phi, before graduating and completing his graduate studies at the University of Montevallo. Joel was proud to have coached football and baseball at Pittman Jr High, Tarrant High School, St. Clair County High School, Fort Payne, Pelham, and at McGill-Toolen in Mobile. Among the wealthiest people alive - in friendship, Joel will be remembered for forging long lasting friendships with childhood friends, clients, fellow golfers, former players and anyone fortunate to engage him in conversation once. He is survived by his two sons Brent and Brandon, daughter-in-law Tammi, granddaughter Kendall, younger brother and oldest friend Jimmy Foshee, sister-in-law Ramona, niece Kimberly, and nephew Tod. During the eighteen months he underwent chemotherapy he routinely drove long distances to see his clients because he preferred to do business in person, maintained his under par golf game, and spent as much time with his granddaughter as he could muster. He was a lifelong Alabamian who was proud of his roots in the state, his family, Alabama football, his service in the Marine Corps, and most importantly his faith. As he left his friends and loved ones on Earth he joined his friends and family in Heaven, and with that knowledge those of us he left behind will endeavor to persevere with his

memories strong in our hearts. Joel asked that mourners be given the choice of flowers or a donation to St. Jude Children's Hospital in his name. The viewing will be held from 6-8 pm at Lakeside Baptist Church in Birmingham on Monday, July 10th along with the funeral service at 1 pm the following day. Interment will be at Helena City Cemetery, Helena, AL.

# Cemetery Details

## Helena City Cemetery

Helena, AL 35080

# Previous Events

## A Celebration of Life

JUL 10. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Lakeside Baptist Church  
2865 Old Rocky Ridge Road  
Birmingham, AL 35243

## Funeral Service

JUL 11. 1:00 PM (CT)

Lakeside Baptist Church  
2865 Old Rocky Ridge Road  
Birmingham, AL 35243

# Tribute Wall



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Joel Douglas Foshee.*



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July 10, 2017 at 10:59 PM



“ *My brother Joel by choice, and not by blood came into my life 9 years ago at our American Legion Post 134 in Homewood, AL. He was one of the first Legionnaires to make me feel welcome. My name is also Joel, so called each other Foshee and Radford.*

*We shared many meals together at the American Legion. Our conversations covered many subjects. We especially talked about our love for America and the Constitution....of which he was a strong defender. We also shared our mutual faith in Christ and the importance to have him in your daily life.*

*During his visits to Bham. for his therapy appointments we would many times meet for lunch and review our many blessings. I will miss those visits and his smiling face. He was a man of honor and of good standing in his life and community.*

*As an inactive United States Marine he has been relieved of his earthly duties and re-assigned to a higher order and welcomed by the multitudes who have gone before him.*

*"Once a Marine, always a Marine". I bid you a fond farewell.. dear friend....OORAH and Semper Fi.*

*Joel Denson Radford II*

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**Joel D. Radford II** - July 10, 2017 at 08:21 PM

 Marni  
Karaffa

“ *For Brent*  
*After reading his obituary, I picture your father as a man of many talents, who wore many different hats - sounds a lot like a man a grew to love and cherish as a great friend in my early years in Bloomington (and the United States)! I have no doubt that your father was proud of you! Our fathers help to mould us into the people we become and are forever with us in our lives - their mortality is sometimes a brutal realization. Hold your memories of him with you always. Peace and Love to you and your family, my friend.*  
*Marni*

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**Marni Karaffa** - July 10, 2017 at 02:55 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joel Douglas Foshee.*



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July 10, 2017 at 01:57 PM

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“ *God's speed my friend--loved sharing a golf cart with you & BAMA stories*

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**Phil Cantrell** - July 10, 2017 at 08:16 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joel Douglas Foshee.*



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July 09, 2017 at 02:37 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Joel Douglas Foshee.*



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July 09, 2017 at 01:35 PM



“ *The Deacons of Elam Baptist Church purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Joel Douglas Foshee.*



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**The Deacons of Elam Baptist Church** - July 08, 2017 at 11:24 PM

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“ Joel Foshee is a true servant of his Lord Jesus Christ. He prayed often and always thanked God for everything. It was not unusual for Joel to remove his cap and ask you to pray with him as he drove along the highway toward Birmingham for his treatments. He took every opportunity to let everyone he greeted know that he loved Jesus and he loved them as well. His faith was consistently strong and he was always glad when he could share his love for Jesus with everyone he met. Joel was an inspiration to me and whenever I was with him I knew that I was with a sincere and faithful Christian who would live forever with Jesus and his fellow Christians in Heaven.

Jimmy B. Sloan - July 08, 2017 at 11:18 PM



“ Joel entered my life last October with a big smile and friendly words. From that time, we had so many amazing conversations. His faith in God was inspiring and his heart was all about helping people. He was truly one of the best guys I have ever known. He was always positive and upbeat no matter what he was going through. And he touched so many lives. When he realized that his time might be short, he kept telling me he just wanted to finish strong. In my eyes, he did just that. He was a fighter to the end. I feel so blessed to have known Joel and to have been his friend. I am going to miss him more than words can say, but I also know he is in a better place now and he is no longer in pain. My heart goes out to his family and other friends. He talked to me so much about his love for y'all. Our loss is Heaven's gain.

Audrey Moore - July 08, 2017 at 10:21 PM

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“ With Sincere Sympathy and Prayers -  
I shall always remember Joel as a very kind gentle Christian spirit at Elam Baptist Church. He will be greatly missed.

Carol Lynn - July 08, 2017 at 09:14 PM

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“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



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**Leanne Pritchett** - July 08, 2017 at 09:03 PM

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“ *My family was so blessed to have met and known Joel Douglas Foshee he shared his love and compassion toward our family and always prayed and helped anyone he could. My family met him about 5 years ago after my son had gotten attacked by a neighbor's dog. We were in Gulf Shores eating breakfast before we were to meet with the plastic surgeon and Joel Douglas asked to eat with us and after that he became the most incredible person in our lives. We are so sad for his leaving us however, he is out of pain and in Paradise with so many friends and family. He will be greatly missed. Love, Rome, Leanne, Madison and Matt Pritchett.*

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**Leanne Pritchett** - July 08, 2017 at 07:15 PM