



JOHN HENRY HOUSER, JR.

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PERRY –

John Henry “Johnny” Houser, Jr., 76, passed away unexpectedly on Monday, July 18, 2022, from injuries sustained in a tragic bicycle accident. A Memorial Service will be held on Wednesday, July 27, 2022, at 2:00 p.m. at St. Christopher’s Episcopal Church with a Reception immediately following the service. A private inurnment will take place in Evergreen Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family respectfully requests memorial contributions to St. Christopher’s Episcopal Church, 1207 Macon Road, Perry, Georgia 31069.

A lifelong resident of Perry, Johnny graduated from Perry High School in 1964. He began his college career at Emory University at Oxford and earned a Bachelor’s Degree and a Master’s Degree from Georgia State University. He worked for many years with his father in the family business, Houser Construction, and learned the significance of a man’s work ethic from his father’s example, the value of a strong foundation, and the importance of everything working together for the good of the entity. John assumed the complete responsibilities of Houser Construction upon his father’s retirement and continued building quality homes in and around Perry for over twenty years. He was a member of St. Christopher’s Episcopal Church who was actively involved and served in various capacities throughout the past forty-plus years. He was an Assistant Boy Scout Master under the direction of Joe Howell and Bobby Tuggle. John was a dutiful son who loved his parents and sacrificed a great deal to care for them in their later years. Johnny was a true outdoorsman. He enjoyed canoeing, riding his bike, hiking, and snow skiing, among other outdoor activities.

John was preceded in death by his parents, John H. Houser, Sr., and Beverly Ann Matthews Houser; and a nephew, James Smith.

Survivors include his brother and sister-in-law, Charles Matt and LuAnne Houser of Prattville, Alabama; two nieces, Stephanie Pruitt (Jon Paul) and Katherine Smith; five great-nephews; a



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great-niece; and many cousins and other extended family members.

Condolences for the family may be left in the online guestbook at www.watsonhunt.com. Watson-Hunt Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements.



Events


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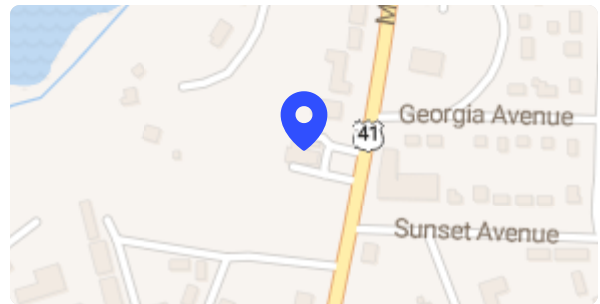
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Memorial Service

 **Wednesday**, July 27, 2022


 2:00 PM ET

 **St. Christopher's Episcopal Church**
1207 Macon Road, Perry GA 31069

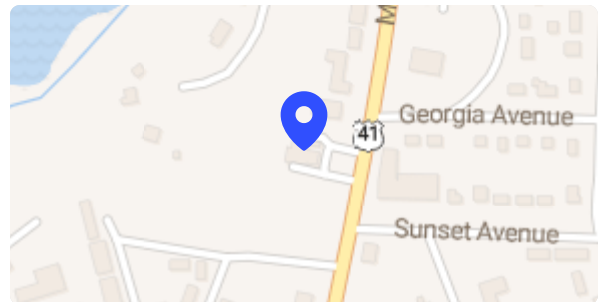


Visitation/Reception

 **Wednesday**, July 27, 2022

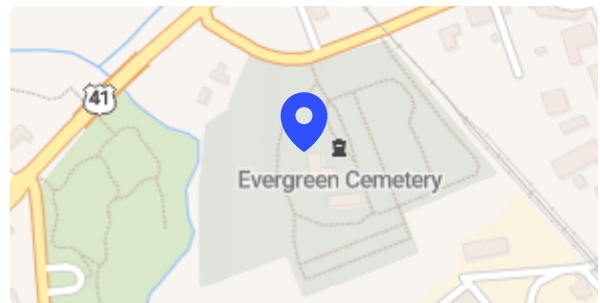
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 **St. Christopher's Episcopal Church**
1207 Macon Road, Perry GA 31069



Cemetery Details

 **Evergreen Cemetery**
720 Main Street, Perry GA 31069





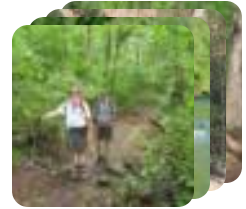
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MC

Margaret Clay shared 6 photos to the **Georgia Wilderness Society** album.



July 26 at 11:34 AM

MB

Max Baker posted:

I've heard stories of Johnny for many many years from my brother and from Matt. Johnny was always involved in something interesting and I only heard good things about him. I am so sorry for his passing and extend my sympathies to Matt, LuAnn and the rest of the family. The Houser family has always been a credit to Perry. May Johnny rest in peace. Max Baker

July 26 at 8:24 AM

AD

Amy Delaplaine posted:

John was a loyal, dependable, capable friend for almost 50 years. He contributed to so many great experiences—from GA State canoe school to skiing in Colorado just this past winter. Many were GWS trips with his good friends. So many great memories: bicycle trips-- riding on the Blue Ridge Parkway with Southern Bicycle League and the Great Allegheny Passage with GWS; canoe trips--the Okefenokee, Bull Sluice on the Chattooga, Thanksgiving canoe trips including the Suwanee with its big clear springs, the small winding Blackwater River in Florida, and the one where the river went underground (fortunately it resurfaced before long); and ski trips--building and living in an igloo for 3 days in Yellowstone on a NOLS course, backcountry skiing to 10th Mountain Division huts in the Rockies, a gorgeous full moon ski on Roan Mountain when the snow sparkled in the moonlight, and skiing on forest service roads that John discovered off of Mt Mitchell (one was 7 miles, all downhill!); and camping--in the mountains and on casual GWS river trips, a GWS backpack trip when owls screamed in the middle of the night right overhead. John was a master at researching and discovering. He also knew how to make things work, and when he fixed or built something, it was done right. Dear friend, you'll be greatly missed. Peace be with you and your family.

July 25 at 9:58 PM

BS

Betty Schaefer posted:

When we lived in Macon, Ga, we got to enjoy John in the local Georgia Wilderness Society. Like someone else mentioned he was known for taking a little nap at the drop of his hat and continuing on paddling in a while. John was a really nice person and he will be missed. He was an important member of our close-knit GWS group. John and Betty Schaefer.

July 25 at 2:52 PM



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BY

Basil Youman lit a candle in honor of JOHN.

I am sorry for your loss to the family. We the people of Gws will definently miss him. I enjoyed paddling with him,I remember when he went on the Ohoopee with us ,plus some other trips. He managed a nap,but would get upin time to catch up with us.
Bail Youman

July 25 at 12:57 PM



BD

Bob & Cindy Daffin lit a candle in honor of JOHN.

July 23 at 5:39 AM



AL

Andrea Lasseter posted:

I was saddened to hear of John's passing on Monday. We were friends and classmates from the class of '64 at Perry High school. John was also a friend of my younger brother, Michael Snyder, who shared John's love for the outdoors during our family's time in Perry in the early 1960's. Matt, you and the rest of John's family will be in my prayers for healing and peace.

July 21 at 5:18 PM

TR

Terry Ross posted:

John, you will be missed! I spent many happy hours in your company, paddling and pedaling. You were a true friend and enthusiastic outdoorsman. I remember you happily biking in the rain on the Great Allegheny Passage. Remember all your help reinforcing our barn. I know your family will value your memory even more than I do. Thanks for the memories! -Terry Ross (Byron)

July 21 at 4:22 PM

JM

Joe Mangum posted:

I had the honor and pleasure over the last 15 years of canoeing, hiking, backpacking, camping, and cyling (in at least three states) with John . He was a skilled outdoorsman who could handle himself and help his companions in any situation. He was a valuable member of his outdoor club, the Georgia Wilderness Society. He was always a gentleman and a gentle man. Although quiet, when he spoke he was always thoughtful. I will miss traveling and sharing campfires with him. My condolences to his brother and extended family. Joe Mangum

July 21 at 4:20 PM



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BL

Bobby Lewis posted:

I went to school with Johnny. He was a very nice fellow. I was sorry to hear of his passing. Condolences to the family 🙏

July 21 at 4:18 PM

LL

Leelee Lewis posted:

I'm heartbroken about Johnny's accident. Much love and many prayers to Matt and his family ❤️❤️
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July 21 at 4:01 PM

SA

Susan Arzt posted:

Rest In Peace John and may God's love, peace and comfort be with his family.

July 21 at 3:45 PM

SL

Shelia (Todd) Laws lit a candle in honor of JOHN.

So sorry about John. He was such a smart and talented man. Prayers for his loved ones for peace and comfort.

July 21 at 3:33 PM



JD

Jean Davis posted:

Matt, I am so sorry to hear about Johnny! Prayers of peace and comfort for you family!

July 21 at 3:05 PM

JD

Jean Davis July 21 at 3:07 PM
Jean Martin Davis

FW

Faye Wilson posted:

So very sorry, such a tragic accident. John was a faithful servant of St Christopher's, he will be missed. Prayers for comfort for all who knew him.

July 21 at 1:57 PM



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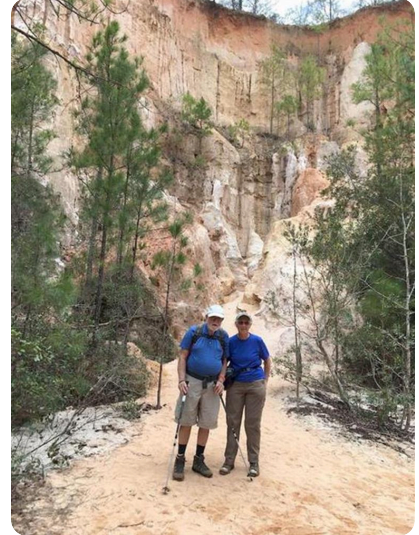


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John hiked his boots off!



Providence Canyon



Napping on top of Blood Mountain



GWS Picnic



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Paddling the Ocmulgee



On the Appalachian Trail



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring JOHN by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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