



## John Henry Fulmer III

December 17, 1946 - September 19, 2020

John Henry Fulmer, III, 73, of the Lebanon Community in Ridgeville, SC, passed away Saturday, September 19, 2020 at home surrounded by his family.

JAMES A DYAL FUNERAL HOME REQUIRES FACIAL COVERINGS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING.

Family and friends are invited to attend John's Graveside service on Tuesday, September 22, 2020 at 11 o'clock at Cypress United Methodist Church Cemetery, 256 Myers Mayo Road, Cypress Campground Road, Ridgeville.

John was born December 17, 1946 in Aiken, SC, son of the late John Henry Fulmer, II and Margree Lucas Fulmer Love.

John grew up in Graniteville, SC where he spent his summers as a lifeguard at the civic center, ran a morning paper route, and was a high school football star for The Rocks. After graduating from high school, John attended Clemson University where he received his BS degree in Recreation and Parks Administration and was a member of the Kappa Alpha fraternity. He was also in the Corps of Cadets in the Army ROTC "Fightin Tiger Battalion". Upon graduation, he was commissioned and went on to complete the Field Artillery Officers Basic Course at Ft. Sill, OK. John would later receive his Master of

Education from the Citadel.

John served in education for thirty-seven years, thirty-three of those being at Goose Creek High School. He began his career at GCHS in 1973 as a football coach and transitioned to administration in 1988, first as assistant principal and then as principal of Goose Creek High School until his retirement in 2007. In 2006, the Berkeley County School District honored him by naming the football field at Charles B. Gibson stadium, the John Fulmer Field. He was always the number one Gator fan. Through his tenure at GCHS, John positively impacted the lives of countless students, teachers, and staff members.

John enjoyed hunting and fishing, being PawPaw to his grandchildren, spending time with his friends and family, listening to beach music, sitting on the front porch, being outdoors with his dogs, and pulling for the Clemson Tigers!

Survivors, including his wife Robbie, are two daughters: Robin F. Gehlken (Donald) of Summerville and Sally F. Faye (Brian) of Woodbine, MD, two grandchildren: Grady A. Faye and Maggie F. Faye of Woodbine, MD; siblings: Cindy Love McNeely (John) of Lexington, SC and Howie Love (Lucy) of North, SC and several nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents he was predeceased by his step father: Wendell Love.

Flowers will be accepted or memorials may be made to the American Heart Association, 887 Johnnie Dodds Blvd., Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464 or Cypress United Methodist Church, c/o Susie Hilton, 192 School House Road, Dorchester, SC 29437.

A memorial message may be written to the family by visiting our website at [www.jamesadyal.com](http://www.jamesadyal.com).

ARRANGEMENTS BY JAMES A. DYAL FUNERAL HOME, 303 SOUTH  
MAIN STREET, SUMMERSVILLE, SC 29483 (843)873-4040.

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

SEP **22**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Cypress United Methodist Church Cemetery  
256 Myers Mayo Road  
Ridgeville, SC 29472

# Tribute Wall



“ *John Henry Fulmer III*

September 29, 2022 at 10:11 AM



“ *Always a pleasure to see and enjoy his company.! He will be missed in our Shag community. RIP 🙏🙏🙏 John*

**Dee Mcnamara** - September 24, 2020 at 05:02 PM



“ *John Fulmer was the Principal at GCHS who hired me when I started teaching. John was one of the best administrators I've ever had the pleasure to work for. He was a great leader in that you always wanted to give him your very best and he always took care of his people. My heartfelt condolences go out to the Fulmer family and may John Rest In Peace.*

**Randolph Pugh** - September 23, 2020 at 08:39 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Photos and Videos*



**Kirk Bennett** - September 22, 2020 at 11:43 AM

JM

“ John Fulmer was an Assistant Principal when I began my first teaching position at GCHS in 1987. In reality, John ran the school. John Fulmer was the best administrator I ever had in my 31 year teaching career; five of those years years at GCHS. John was a mentor and friend. I am sad that we lost touch after I left GCHS, but i always thought of him when it was time for Camp Meeting because I remembered when he realized that my daddy’s cousin was Victor Smith.....six degrees of separation.....SC was a small state back then. May John Fulmer rest in peace, though he will be greatly missed on earth.

Joni Harvey McLeod - September 22, 2020 at 12:30 AM

BS

Will miss Mr. John at Jrs Grocery. My deepest sympathy for family and friends close to him. I used to tease him about me being a Summerville Green Wave back in the day Goose Creek was our biggest rivalry and the most fights. Will miss Mr. John.

Belinda Stockman - September 23, 2020 at 04:09 PM

JL

“ My condolences to the Fulmer family. Mr. Fulmer was a very fun & loving Principal when I attended GCHS c/o 91. He will always be remembered for his famous song he always sang at our pep rally’s (Under The Boardwalk). Take your rest Mr. Fulmer. God Bless.



Joyce Myers-Lowe

Joyce Lowe - September 21, 2020 at 10:42 PM

AD

“ *John fulmer was principal of Fuchs when I was there , he was a easy going man and role model, condolences and prayers for peace and healing, remember the good times and cherish his memory .  
Adam Dubois class of 2004 gchs*

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**Adam Dubois** - September 21, 2020 at 09:19 PM

KS

“ *Robbie, Robin. Sally, and family,  
Vicki and I are sooo sorry to read this sad news. John always had a smile on his face and something good to say every time our paths crossed. Our prayers are for comfort for y'all.*

*Vicki and Ken Shull*

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**Ken Shull** - September 21, 2020 at 03:29 PM

MS

“ *May God comfort your family and friends during this time and always. Rest In Peace Mr. Fulmer.*



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**Maree Smith** - September 21, 2020 at 03:28 PM

GT

“ *Goodwin T. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of John Henry Fulmer III.*



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**Goodwin T.** - September 21, 2020 at 11:36 AM

SG

“*Robbie, I was so sad to hear of John’s passing. I will be praying for you, Robin and Sally. I have so many memories of my time with John in Orangeburg and Goose Creek. He was a great football coach and administrator and a friend you could count on. Favorite memory was John picking me up and slinging me around the night we beat Summerville for the first time. May he Rest In Peace with the lord. Steve Gambrell*

Steve Gambrell - September 21, 2020 at 10:35 AM

EG

*Robbie, what a man. We all go way back! John was such a supporter, a great coach  
And administrator. We have so many Memories of him. We haven’t crossed paths recently, but always hugged when we did. I know how much he loved you and the girls. He will be missed by so many.*

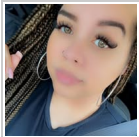
Elizabeth Grantham - September 21, 2020 at 04:11 PM



“*Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of John Henry Fulmer III.*



September 21, 2020 at 10:10 AM



“*I met Mr. Fulmer when I became a student of GCHS in 2004. He was a very kind, generous and patient person. Everyone loved him. He will be deeply missed. My condolences to his entire family 🙏❤️*

Heather Scott - September 21, 2020 at 10:03 AM

 Wiley Knight

“ *Wiley Knight purchased the Simply Elegant Spat hiphyllum for the family of John Henry Fulmer III.*



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**Wiley Knight** - September 20, 2020 at 07:11 PM

 Wiley Knight

“ *Colline and I were so fond of Mr. Fulmer. From my wife getting in-school suspension from him and the many nights I spent with John at “Brendas”; He was always sincere in his words and talking about his days at a school. We loved him and his legacy will live on forever in the hearts and minds of those that had the pleasure of knowing this man.*



*Wiley and Colline Knight  
Charlotte NC*

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**Wiley Knight** - September 20, 2020 at 07:05 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of John Henry Fulmer III.*



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September 20, 2020 at 06:47 PM

TJ

“ On behalf of GCHS c/o 1983, thank you Coach Fulmer for the tough-love shown, lessons taught and example shown to so many of us. You are a LEGEND to GCHS Gators. You will forever be COACH to us!

RIP Coach



Tina Browder Johnston

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**Tina Browder Johnston** - September 20, 2020 at 05:56 PM

G1

“ GCHS Class of 1995 purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of John Henry Fulmer III.



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**GCHS Class of 1995** - September 20, 2020 at 05:49 PM

AL

“ We are just so saddened to hear of the passing of Coach! Wonderful memories of times spent with him as a student at the Creek! Continued love and prayers to all of his family. We know he will be missed by all!!!

Much Love,

Alicia Calvert Clinton

John and Mary Calvert

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**Alicia** - September 20, 2020 at 05:45 PM

JM

*First of all, Robbie, Robin and Sally, so very sorry for your loss. Still can't believe he has gone on to a better place. He is loved by many and will be missed. Like every one, I always loved hearing John and Jerry sing beach songs. When he walked in the room it would light up. RIP dear friend.*

**Jewel Mims** - September 20, 2020 at 08:07 PM

AL

*Condolences to the family of Mr. Fulmer. Thank you for a life of selfless service to us the students of Goose Creek High. Blessings to the family.*

*Alaina (Johnson) - C/O 1996*

**Alaina** - September 20, 2020 at 08:28 PM

HM

*Robbie, Robin & Sally, just want y'all to know that I am thinking of you. So very sorry to hear about John. Hazel Moorer*

**Hazel Moorer** - September 21, 2020 at 09:46 AM

DT

*John was a seminal high school principal. I was proud to work with him and especially to work for him as a teacher at GCHS. He loved his students and worked hard to improve the school.*

**Dr. Michael Turner** - September 21, 2020 at 03:49 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of John Henry Fulmer III.*



September 20, 2020 at 05:01 PM



“ *Vivid Recollections was purchased for the family of John Henry Fulmer III.*



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September 20, 2020 at 04:43 PM



“ *Dear Robbie, Robin, Sally and family, my heart aches for you and I have been, and will continue to have you in my thoughts and prayers. John was such an icon within our community and will never be forgotten.*



*Generations of families will miss him and thank him for something wonderful he did for them or said to them. He had an impact on the lives he touched and will be missed like no other. All my sympathy to you and yours and may he rest in peace.. Love, Sharon Nichols*

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**Sharon Nichols** - September 20, 2020 at 04:17 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of John Henry Fulmer III.*



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September 20, 2020 at 12:30 PM