



## Ozzie Harrell Jr.

December 7, 1986 - September 9, 2023

No obituary found for this tribute.

# Cemetery Details

## Kennedy Memorial Gardens

2500 River Road  
ELLENWOOD, Ga

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **15**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Gregory B Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory  
4347 Flat Shoals Pkwy  
Decatur, GA 30034  
(404) 241-5656

## Celebration of Life

SEP **16**. 1:00 PM (ET)

The Covenant Church  
1701 Corey Blvd  
Decatur, GA 30032

# Tribute Wall

LY

“ Dear , Mr and Mrs . Harrell. You have my deepest sympathy you are in my prayers. In due season my God give you the peace that only He can give. Blessings are with you. Ms. Lynnette Smith Clark.

Lynnette - September 17, 2023 at 09:09 PM

TF

“ You have our deepest condolences, family. May the memories of OJ's love, laughter, and care live forever in your hearts and pierce tomorrow's sorrows. We love you and are here for you. Love, The Thomas Family

Thomas Family - September 17, 2023 at 12:39 AM

PH

“ My deepest condolences to Debra and Ozzie Harrell. OJ will forever be a light in all of our hearts. You are in my prayers.

Love,  
Patty Horton-Hugue  
Miami, Florida

Patty Horton-Hugue - September 16, 2023 at 02:01 PM

CO

“ This has been so hard for me Carter....I'll never forget this day just like I'll never forget our first date. I'm going to really miss you but I'm happy I know you'll always be watching after me. To the family, it was a please getting to know your son Ozzie, Jr.

Crystal Oke - September 16, 2023 at 12:19 PM

VT

“ My condolences to the Harrell family. While I didn't know Ozzie Jr personally, we are connected through his parents, my neighbors and my kids and school. Growing up this young man, his sister and parents shared there backyard playground with my kids, a memory they will always cherish. As he grew up along with his sister, Debra and I continued to share precious moments of our kids new home purchases and new jobs and the love of their life. We will never forget and continue cheering those memories past and present. May God bless the family in prayer and in strength.

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**Velma Thomas** - September 16, 2023 at 11:30 AM

VH

“ OJ you were a bright spot in this life. I remember when you went to pick Brittany up from summer school and you found her walking, you told her never to do that again, that something could happen to her. Your caring spirit was beautiful. We will miss you and love you always! Aunt Val, Uncle James, Brittany and Jordan.

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**Valerie Harrell** - September 16, 2023 at 09:55 AM

DF

“ Dr. William J. Carter & Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Ozzie Harrell Jr..



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**Dr. William J. Carter & Family** - September 16, 2023 at 08:54 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ozzie Harrell Jr..*



September 16, 2023 at 07:48 AM



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

September 16, 2023 at 07:48 AM



“ Leroy H. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ozzie Harrell Jr..

**Leroy H.** - September 16, 2023 at 07:38 AM



“ *The Bell Family (Felix, Tine, Kim & Kia) purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Ozzie Harrell Jr..*



**The Bell Family (Felix, Tine, Kim & Kia)** - September 15, 2023 at 05:50 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ozzie Harrell Jr..*



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September 15, 2023 at 05:43 PM



“ *My deepest condolences to the family. Mr. Harrell had such a huge presence and he will be immensely missed.*

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**Ursula D. Allen** - September 15, 2023 at 03:04 PM



“ *Debra and family....I know there is nothing anyone can say to take away the shock and grief you must be feeling. May God be with you and help you through the days and months ahead. From reading many of the tributes it is obvious he was a beloved teacher and coach and left his mark with many of his students. My sincere condolences to you all....*

*Sharon Rogers  
Former co-worker at AT&T*

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**Sharon A Rogers** - September 15, 2023 at 02:23 PM

VW

“ When a boy became a man. As we celebrate your beautiful life with happy memories we take time to say Thank you Lord for the time you gave OJ to us. Your purpose for his life was fulfilled. Ozzie , Debra, Devin, Ms Green and anyone who’s life was touched by you will forever hold you safely in our hearts. ❤️❤️❤️



Valarie Lynn & Uncle (Bud) Leon Williams - September 15, 2023 at 01:19 PM

JM

“ Joynita M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ozzie Harrell Jr..

Joynita M. - September 15, 2023 at 11:01 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ozzie Harrell Jr..



September 15, 2023 at 10:38 AM



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

September 15, 2023 at 10:38 AM

DF

“ Dr. Alisa Wagner and family purchased the Sweet Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Ozzie Harrell Jr..



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Dr. Alisa Wagner and family - September 15, 2023 at 09:58 AM

DF

“ Dr. Alisa Wagner and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ozzie Harrell Jr..

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Dr. Alisa Wagner and family - September 15, 2023 at 09:58 AM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Ozzie Harrell Jr..



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September 14, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ozzie Harrell Jr..



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September 14, 2023 at 09:55 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ozzie Harrell Jr..*



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September 14, 2023 at 09:40 PM



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

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September 14, 2023 at 09:40 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Ozzie Harrell Jr..*



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September 14, 2023 at 08:39 PM



“ *Ozzie Jr. Was a well mannered and accomplished young man. Born in the same hospital as our own son one day after. He will be missed but never forgotten. May he rest with the angels. Love, Erma and Robert*

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**Erma Johnson** - September 14, 2023 at 08:08 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Ozzie Harrell Jr..*



September 14, 2023 at 05:31 PM



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

September 14, 2023 at 05:31 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Ozzie Harrell Jr..*



September 14, 2023 at 05:20 PM



“ *Uncle Malachi, Mal, Meracita purchased the Heavenly Grace Spray for the family of Ozzie Harrell Jr..*



**Uncle Malachi, Mal, Meracita** - September 14, 2023 at 01:00 PM

TT

“ *The Stone Mountain High School ELA Team purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ozzie Harrell Jr..*



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**The Stone Mountain High School ELA Team** - September 14, 2023 at 11:05 AM

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“ *The Stone Mountain High School ELA Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ozzie Harrell Jr..*

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**The Stone Mountain High School ELA Team** - September 14, 2023 at 11:05 AM

TF

“ *The Ervin family, Miami Florida purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ozzie Harrell Jr..*



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**The Ervin family, Miami Florida** - September 14, 2023 at 10:57 AM

SR

“ *Ozzie Jr. proud moment for our family. Tribute to Aunt Deb and Uncle Ozzie.*



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**Stephanie Hicks- Ross** - September 14, 2023 at 10:48 AM



“ *Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Ozzie Harrell Jr..*



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September 14, 2023 at 10:42 AM



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

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September 14, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ Joseph H. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ozzie Harrell Jr..

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**Joseph H.** - September 14, 2023 at 10:29 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ozzie Harrell Jr..*



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September 14, 2023 at 10:11 AM

SR

“ OJ is the one on the left, Mal (middle), and my son Blessing on the right. This was a proud for our family. Tribute to my Aunt Deb and uncle Ozzie.



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**Stephanie Hicks- Ross** - September 14, 2023 at 09:29 AM

SR

“ I remember when my Aunt Deb had him, he was a beautiful baby boy happy. My son and uncle baby boy was all sitting on the couch. Then I got to see what OJ grew into a kind gentle man. He was a beautiful person just like the heart he had a child. Our family will definitely miss you. Love Stephanie, Blessing, Bryant and Stephen.



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**Stephanie Hicks- Ross** - September 14, 2023 at 09:24 AM

JW

“ My heart goes out to you, Mr. and Mrs. Harrell. Thank you for allowing your son to join our school and team at TSU. I'm lost for words over Ozzie's sudden death. May God bless you and comfort you during your time of grief !!!!

*Coach James Webster Jr.*

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**James Webster** - September 13, 2023 at 10:17 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Ozzie Harrell Jr..*



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September 13, 2023 at 10:15 PM



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

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September 13, 2023 at 10:15 PM



“ *Mr and Mrs Harrell and also Family you all have my deepest sympathies .Ozzie “OJ” was my friend . Great listener and always had great things to say. He always was so silly and kept me laughing anytime we spoke. I wish we spoke more often. I love how ambitious he was and we use to have so much fun back in the day , that was my dawg . OJ loved his students and imma miss his stories . Rest in Peace “OzzieJ”*



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**Shameka Rhodes** - September 13, 2023 at 10:11 PM

CD

“ *Cathy S Dorsey purchased the Simply Elegant S pathiphyllum for the family of Ozzie Harrell Jr..*



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**Cathy S Dorsey** - September 13, 2023 at 09:12 PM

LA

“ *My dawg was one of a kind he believed me when I didn't even care about myself* 📖📖📖



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**landes** - September 13, 2023 at 08:07 PM

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**Alan Mitchell** - September 13, 2023 at 09:08 PM

AM

“ Oj was like my brother. He helped me become stronger physically and mentally he brought me into his home when i was in 10th grade and the whole family accepted me as if I were one of their own. Times when I didn't eat they fed me ❤️ I remember times when he'd call me and be like “bro someone messing wit Devin and every time we pulling up. Oj snuck me on college visits. We were at young Jeezy's first performance at Ga southern. Mr & Mrs Harrell, Devin I love y'all ❤️



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**Alan Mitchell** - September 13, 2023 at 03:57 PM

MT

“ Ms. Amy and the College AIM Team purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ozzie Harrell Jr..



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**Ms. Amy and the College AIM Team** - September 13, 2023 at 03:41 PM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Ozzie Harrell Jr..



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September 13, 2023 at 03:34 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Ozzie Harrell Jr..*



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September 13, 2023 at 03:10 PM



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

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September 13, 2023 at 03:10 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Ozzie Harrell Jr..*



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September 13, 2023 at 01:14 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Ozzie Harrell Jr..*



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September 13, 2023 at 01:02 PM

AL

“ Coach Harrell this is Alex Love... not sure if you remember me but I'm class of 02' I played with big Marc and JP... coach Nick coached me all through high school. I'm one of the original DBs of the Dynasty family. I remember Little Ozzie coming up under us and helping establish the great football program that CGHS is today. I ended up getting a full ride to Wofford College where I pledged Omega.

So me and your son not only connected as family on the field but we share a bond that cannot be torn with Omega. When I heard about what happened I couldn't believe it and you have my deepest condolences. Your son was a great guy. We occasionally kept in touch and I was elated when he crossed those burning sands some years ago.

Stay strong coach. We know Ozzie was god fearing and a believer. So he is really on a vacation waiting for us to get there. Love never dies coach. So we always have that! . 🙏

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Alex Love - September 13, 2023 at 12:51 PM

NS

“ I'm not go lie Mr. Harrell was a great teacher and really help me with a lot of stuff nit that he a great teacher he also a great mentor. He helped students and made sure his students graduated on time it's just crazy how he left us so soon man it really hurt me.

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NE'VAEH T SMITH - September 13, 2023 at 10:17 AM



“ *Rose Garden Heart was purchased for the family of Ozzie Harrell Jr..*



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September 13, 2023 at 10:12 AM



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

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September 13, 2023 at 10:12 AM



“ *So saddened to hear the loss of your son, Mr. Ozzie Jr. There are no words that can express the depth of sorrow for your loss. We hope you find strength in the love and support surrounding you. May God continue to strengthen and comfort this family each and everyday. Your neighbors, Carlton and Norma Parker*

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**Norma Parker** - September 13, 2023 at 10:09 AM



“ *Dang Mr.Harrell you was literally the best economics teacher i could have and you were such a mentor and positive person around everyone it's always smiles when your around it's never a dull moment. Me having you as my teacher made me wanna go to college and keep going and i'm going to still do that for you i promise you will see me walk across that stage in May 2024 I thank you very much for everything you did for me while i had you and and for everybody else who you pushed to graduate and go to college, once again Thank You Mr.Harrell rest easy*

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**Faith Glynn** - September 13, 2023 at 09:49 AM

AH

“ Ozzie Harrell Jr was an amazing son, friend & teammate. He was always honest & kind. OJ was the kind of guy that kept a good attitude & approach to life. He will be missed. Rest Well Juice. Love you brother

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**Adam Hill** - September 13, 2023 at 09:45 AM

HD

“*Mr. Harrell was the educator all students deserve. He genuinely cared for every single student at SMHS and was passionate about seeing them succeed. He was responsible for many of our past seniors being able to walk across the graduation stage and every student saw on his face just how proud he was of them. So many students have remarked that if it wasn't for him they would not have graduated.*

*As a colleague, he was a source of encouragement. He was always willing to lend a helping hand. His positivity made me feel like anything was possible. He would notice when I was feeling overwhelmed and anxious and would always reach out to see if I needed help. Many times, his simple words of encouragement were exactly what I needed.*

*I admired him as an educator, not just in the care he showed the students, but in his ability to teach, as well. He instilled in his students many tools for the future through his economics and personal financial literacy classes so that they understand the world they are entering as adults and work for a stable financial future.*

*He planted seeds in the hearts and minds of so many students to hope and work for a better future, to never give up. I have planted 3 memorial trees in his honor. May these trees grow as a symbol of the lives he touched and the impact he will continue to have on those fortunate enough to know him. As they grow, so his influence will continue to live on in our hearts and minds.*

*Even though he is gone, he will always be a part of our Pirate family. Once a Pirate, always a Pirate.*

*Rest Easy, knowing that by positively changing the lives of your students will changed the world.*

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Hannah Dunn - September 13, 2023 at 09:41 AM



“ A grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ozzie Harrell Jr..

September 13, 2023 at 08:57 AM



“ Mr. Harrell was an AMAZING person. As an educator he was passionate about the success of all students, not just the students in his class. He cared about them and their success in school and beyond. He left a mark on them they will never forget. As a colleague, he always brought high energy and a positive attitude. I enjoyed working with him, he was a great motivator. No task was unattainable, nothing was impossible, he always spoke positivity into any situation. He was an all around great guy. I will truly miss him and his robust energy. Thank you...I won't forget. Now you rest well, Harrell....your job here is done.

Kendyia - September 13, 2023 at 08:49 AM



“ I will always remember how Mr. Harrell jr. would ask me "how is your day going, do you need anything and have a nice day with a radiant smile that could light up a dark room. ". He was such an inspiration to all that he came in contact with. He showed great leadership with every project he touched. Mr. Harrell jr. will be missed, but most of all the joyful spirit he brought to everyone that illuminated lives will be missed. I would like to also extend my condolences to the family, for without them, Mr. Harrell jr. would not be the man he was " A bright Beacon of Hope for our seniors" Rest Mr. Harrell jr., your work on earth is done.

Dr. Barbara Stringer - September 13, 2023 at 08:46 AM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Ozzie Harrell Jr..*



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September 13, 2023 at 08:28 AM



“ *Ozzie you were a great man. You also made people feel welcomed and accepted whenever you met them. You had a lasting impact on the students at SMHS and the staff. Your smile always lights up a room and you will be missed brother. I'll miss the advice you've given me over the years from being a coach to being my co-worker/mentor. You gave me confidence in my ability to be a leader and a mentor to the future generations. We love you brother and I'll miss talking ball and life with you everyday in school. Stone Mountain will not be the same and it is hard to walk into the building knowing you will not be there next to me talking about crazy football and life stories. We love you man! Make sure you talk ball with God and we will see you again.*

*My Condolences to the family as you grieve and heal. You all are in my prayers daily and nightly.*

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**Javontae Smith** - September 13, 2023 at 08:20 AM



*I miss your smile walking down the hallway. Rest in Peace*

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**Jacqueline SIBLEY** - September 13, 2023 at 09:03 AM

MW

“ Coach Harrell, thank you for accepting me on your staff this year. It was a short ride but lasting impression! You were welcoming from the day we met during my interview in the spring until you transitioned. Carver Football know you are keeping an eye on us from up top now. Prayers to your family & friends 🙏👍👊

Max Wynn - September 13, 2023 at 07:50 AM

JG

“ Praying for your family during this difficult time. Will keep you all lifted up in my prayers. My deepest condolences to you.  
Love.

Jill S Gaither  
AT&T Risk Management (Claims)

Jill Gaither - September 12, 2023 at 11:21 PM

MF

“ Ms Mae, Kenneth and the Holmes Family purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Ozzie Harrell Jr..



Ms Mae, Kenneth and the Holmes Family - September 12, 2023 at 08:23 PM



“ Vivid Recollections was purchased for the family of Ozzie Harrell Jr..



September 12, 2023 at 03:57 PM