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Van Townsend '80

Former Teacher And Coach At Baylor School Was Avid Runner

Tuesday, January 13, 2015



Van Townsend

Van Townsend, 56, died peacefully on Monday, January 12, 2015.

Van was born and raised in Atlanta, was a graduate of Westminster School, Williams College and Middlebury's Bread Loaf School of English. During and after his years of teaching and coaching at St. Mark's School in Southborough, Massachusetts and Baylor School, he was an avid runner, a passionate coach, a lover of rock music and teacher of Beat Literature. He leaves behind a coaching legacy. A recent newspaper columnist most aptly described Van as "a punk rock patron saint of local running."

Van is survived by his three children, Oliver, Skylar and Ruthie; brother, Carter; ex-wife, Robin Howe; and stepmother, Elizabeth Townsend.

A memorial service will be held at 1:30 p.m. at the Baylor School Chapel this Saturday. Earlier that morning, Fast Break Athletics is arranging a morning run; please go to Fast Break's facebook page for details.

The service will be available for viewing at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC8XERQF6J1jduVsIS68qC7g>

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Multiple Myeloma Research foundation at: mmrf.org.

Visit www.lanefh.com to share condolences.

Arrangements are by Lane Funeral Home, 601 Ashland Terrace, 877-3524.

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Snyder, Bobbie
 Bobbie Snyder, 82, of Rossville, died on Monday, January 12, 2014 in a hospital in Atlanta. She was a graduate of Central High School and Emory Hospital School of Nursing where she earned ...

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Morse, Sandra L.
 Sandra L. Morse died on Tuesday, January 6, 2015. She was a nurse for over 26 years. She is survived by her devoted husband, Harry, brother, Mike Patty, and grandchildren. Arrangements

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Thompson, James Lebron
 James Lebron Thompson, 59, died on January 14, 2015 at a local hospital. Arrangements will be announced by John P. Franklin Funeral Home, 1101 Dodds Ave., 622-9995. (click for more)