

By: Senator(s) Harkins, Barnett, Butler  
(38th), Caughman, McDaniel

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 29

1 A RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE CONDOLENCES OF THE MISSISSIPPI  
2 SENATE TO THE BEREAVED FAMILY OF VETERAN CANTON LAW ENFORCEMENT  
3 OFFICER CARL LARRY SAXTON, SR., AND COMMENDING HIS LEGACY OF  
4 SERVICE TO HIS COMMUNITY.

5 WHEREAS, it is with sadness that we mourn the passing of  
6 Veteran Canton, Mississippi, Law Enforcement Officer Carl Larry  
7 Saxton, Sr., who died on January 28, 2022, at the age of 79; and

8 WHEREAS, Larry served as a Sergeant with the Canton Police  
9 Department and served the Madison County Sheriff's Department as a  
10 Deputy Sheriff and an Investigator for over 33 years; and

11 WHEREAS, Larry's friends and family affectionately called him  
12 "Big L." However, his favorite names to be called were "Daddy"  
13 and "Pawpaw"; and

14 WHEREAS, Larry gave his life to Christ at an early age and  
15 was a member of Grace Fellowship Baptist Church in Canton. He was  
16 elected Deacon in 1985 at Calvary Baptist Church in Canton and at  
17 the time of his death, he was a Deacon at Grace Fellowship Baptist  
18 Church; and



19 WHEREAS, Larry was a 32nd Degree Master Mason at the Canton  
20 Masonic Lodge, and he was also a Shriner; and

21 WHEREAS, Larry was preceded in death by his father, James  
22 Calvin Saxton; mother, Nancy Gladys Saxton; brother, James Arthur  
23 Saxton; and sister, Odene Saxton McKay. He is survived by his  
24 wife of 60 years, Carolyn Haynes Saxton; sons, Larry Saxton, Jr.,  
25 (Tammye) and Jimmy Saxton (Missy); daughters, Nancy Saxton and  
26 Stacey Coffey (Mike); nine grandchildren; and six  
27 great-grandchildren; and

28 WHEREAS, his legacy is a strong community and for this and  
29 for a lifetime of selfless service, a grateful state thanks him:

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
31 MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby extend the condolences of the  
32 Mississippi Senate to the bereaved family of Veteran Canton Law  
33 Enforcement Officer Carl Larry Saxton, Sr., and commend his legacy  
34 of service to his community.

35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be presented to  
36 the surviving family of Carl Larry Saxton, Sr., forwarded to the  
37 Madison County Sheriff's Office, and made available to the Capitol  
38 Press Corps.

