



Adam Lee Whitley

August 3, 2009

A celebration for the life of Adam Lee Whitley, beloved child of God, who died on August 3, 2009, will be held at 11:00am on Friday, August 14th, 2009 at Kingston Presbyterian Church. The Church is located on 3rd Avenue and Kingston Street in Conway. For more information, please call Kingston Presbyterian Church office at: 843.248.4200 Conway-.Adam Lee Whitley, beloved child of God, died on Monday, August 3, 2009. He is the son of Lester S. Whitley and Barbara C. Whitley and brother of Heather A. Whitley. He was loaned to us by God for 38 years. From his heavenly Father he was given many gifts, all of which he accomplished to the fullest. He was the creative energy behind Crady's Restaurant, designing not only the menus of wonderfully delicious food but the interior of the entire restaurant as well. He was a master gardner who could coax beauty from the scrappiest of plants. He was a master designer who could bring both beauty and order from chaos. He was a man who loved fully, freely sharing his exuberant laugh and engaging smile. We will all remember his generosity of spirit. He leaves behind a sorrowful extended family, all who loved him without reservation, and four cherished cats: Pooh, Beatrice, Cosmo, and T-Bone. At Adam's request, there will be no funeral service. A celebration of his life will be held at a later date. Sign a guestbook at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel is serving the family.

Tribute Wall



“ *for the whitleys: I have been thinking of Adam and you all every day. I am so sorry for your loss. Adam was the greatest...so creative, so smart and so much fun. I will miss him. He makes me smile just thinking of him, always and forever. Please let me know about any future celebrations of life. I wouldnt miss it for the world. sincerely, tara##imported-begin##tara guerard##imported-end##*

September 04, 2009 at 03:01 PM



“ *Dear Les,Barbara,and Heather, We wanted you to know how beautiful and moving the celebration was today for Adam ! He will leave a long legacy of love. We will continue to pray for you on the the journey ahead. Love, Jonathan and Heather##imported-begin##Heather and Jonathan Heath##imported-end##*

August 14, 2009 at 08:18 PM



“ *Dear Les,Barbara, and Heather, I have no words that would make any sense or make any difference, but I know that you know my heart. Hugh##imported-begin##Hugh Strickland##imported-end##*

August 12, 2009 at 06:29 PM



“ To the Whitley Family, I am so sorry to here about Adam. He was one of my favorite people. I met him while he worked in Pawleys many moons ago. He introduced me to Chocolate Chess Pie. I think of him everytime I go out to eat for I ask for this at every restaurant for dessert.I will always remember his smile, his hugs and his friendship to me. Lisa Young###imported-begin##Lisa Young###imported-end##

August 12, 2009 at 10:31 AM



“ I have the fondest memories of Adam from school. He will be missed. I will keep his family in my thoughts.###imported-begin##Felicia Vereen Beaudry###imported-end##

August 12, 2009 at 10:30 AM



“ Adam always had a quick smile and a friendly word whenever I went to Crady's. I have know him since he was a little guy. He did amazing things for Crady's, superb food and beautiful food. He will be missed so much by so many of us in Conway.###imported-begin##Marjory Wells###imported-end##

August 11, 2009 at 10:16 PM



“ Dear Les, Barbara and Heather, Having known Adam was to love and appreciate his creative talents. Your family has truly enriched our lives and those of many others. Your help and support of The Lazy River Cafe will always be special in our memories. Downtown is a very loving and tight family and Adam's passing has touched all of our hearts. May the Lord cradle you all in his arms and may your healing begin with his Peace, Mercy and Grace. Loving prayers, Beverly, Tom and Missy###imported-begin##Beverly, Tom and Missy Ambridge###imported-end##

August 10, 2009 at 09:14 PM



“ To the Whitley Family, My thoughts and prayers are with you. Love, Evelyn###imported-begin##Evelyn Hammond###imported-end##

August 10, 2009 at 09:00 PM



“ Dear Whitley Family: My deepest sympathies go out to you. I got to know Adam through his work as a chef. He helped us cater many events. He was such a delight to be around. He always brought a smile to anyone's face and he was a brilliant chef, not to mention and incredible designer. We will miss him dearly. My prayers and thoughts are with you all.###imported-begin##Charity Keefer###imported-end##

August 10, 2009 at 08:33 PM



“ I was sad to hear of Adam's passing. He was always so funny and indulged me when I came to eat @ the restaurant w/ my picky tastebuds! May God give you peace during this time and always.###imported-begin##Stephanie Phillips###imported-end##

August 07, 2009 at 04:43 PM



“ I will miss Adam's smiling face everytime I saw him. He was a part of my sister's wedding and mine in Murrells Inlet and will be greatly missed. My love and prayers to all his friends and family.##imported-begin##Sallie Tanner##imported-end##

August 07, 2009 at 01:02 PM



“ I am so sorry to hear of Adam's passing. He was such a generous soul who would light up a room as soon as he entered it. I hope that God holds you, Dr. and Mrs Whitley, in the palm of his hand and comforts you during this sad time. Adam will be greatly missed!##imported-begin##Glenn Ritchie Wilcox##imported-end##

August 06, 2009 at 07:35 PM



“ Dear Barbara, Les, and Heather, We are so very,very sad to hear about Adam. You are all in our thoughts and prayers. May The Lord comfort you in your grief.##imported-begin##Gil and Laura Rowe##imported-end##

August 06, 2009 at 06:29 PM



“ I'm still digesting all this. Next week, I may have some great words of wisdom or consolation, but right now, all that I can give you is my love. Matt, Ellie, and I are thinking of you, hoping for you, and praying for you. ". . . The stars are not wanted now; put out every one, Pack up the moon and dismantle the sun . . ."##imported-begin##Cindy Baldwin##imported-end##

August 06, 2009 at 05:31 PM



“ Adam was personified sunshine; when he smiled, his entire face glowed. He had the generous heart of one who enjoyed people, and I felt blessed in his presence. Adam's cooking was the icing on his bountiful talents. I shall miss him always. Deepest condolences to your special family, Barbara, Les and Heather.##imported-begin##Susan McMillan##imported-end##

August 06, 2009 at 05:14 PM



“ To the Whitley's, I am deeply saddened to hear the news about Adam. The more I reflect on him, the more I realize what a great spirit it was that touched our lives. His talents and passion were not only instrumental in creating the finest restaurant on the Grand Strand, but also in contibuting to the many places he worked, including ours. I have been thinking about the Whitley family all week, and my prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Ben Cachila##imported-end##

August 06, 2009 at 05:13 PM



“ Barbara, Les and Heather, Our hearts were sadden to hear of the passing of Adam. What a bright and talented young man. I know your hearts are hurting but please know our thoughts and prayers are with you all. May God keep you in his tender care. Mitch and Nadine Godwin##imported-begin##Mitch and Nadine Godwin##imported-end##

August 06, 2009 at 03:09 PM



“ Dear Barbara, Les and Heather, I am still in shock about Adam. He just made the world better with his friendly personality, talents and big hug! I wish I could make it all better for you all. Love,
Sigrid###imported-begin###Sigrid###imported-end##

August 06, 2009 at 11:46 AM



“ Les, Barbara, and Heather, It is with a heavy heart that I write this note this evening. Since hearing of Adam's passing, I have spent hours reflecting on the memories I have of Adam and of all of you. He was a great friend for many years I will forever remember the time I spent with him in your home. You were always so gracious and loving, even when we were so difficult to deal with. The memories are tremendously vivid. From jumping on the trampoline to playing the "magic" piano, to simply riding bicycles around the neighborhood. The Easter egg hunts, the mischief, the pranks in High School. I have to smile when looking back on those days. Your son and brother will be greatly missed by all, who were blessed by God, to have been Adam's friend. My prayer is that God will wrap his loving arms around each of you and offer you a peace and comfort that only he can give. I hope to see you soon so that I, too, can offer a hug and maybe share a few wonderful memories of your son, Adam. Will Turner###imported-begin###Will Turner###imported-end##

August 05, 2009 at 11:18 PM



“ My dear friend Heather, Mama Barbara & Daddy Les, my heart aches for your pain and your sorrow but I know, without a doubt what our God promises - that if we call on him for our strength, He will get you through this time to a place of peace and even joy...joy that comes from the wonderful memories of your awesome son and the talents and love he shared with so many, and with you. We'll continue to pray for God to wrap his loving arms around you. Love and hugs from Todd, Jack, Tanner and myself.##imported-begin##Jill Jemison##imported-end##

August 05, 2009 at 11:18 PM



“ Dear Heather, Barbara, & Les, I am extremely sorry for your loss and sadness. My prayers and thoughts are with all of you at this time. May you find peace and comfort from the precious memories you have of Adam.##imported-begin##Gail Alexander##imported-end##

August 05, 2009 at 10:19 PM



“ Dear Heather and Mr. and Mrs. Whitley, Adam was so very special. His smile, laughter and talents will be missed by all. Our prayer for all of you is that God will wrap his arms around your hearts in these dark and difficult times.##imported-begin##Sharyn McNair Albini & Mark Albini##imported-end##

August 05, 2009 at 10:14 PM



“ Adam will be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.##imported-begin##Donna Baxley##imported-end##

August 05, 2009 at 09:46 PM



“ He was the sunshine on the rainiest of days. I will miss that warmth.##imported-begin##Dalane Stewart##imported-end##

August 05, 2009 at 07:57 PM



“ Barbara, my deepest thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this time.##imported-begin##Sandra Causey##imported-end##

August 05, 2009 at 07:31 PM



“ Heather, Mr. and Mrs. Whitley, I just want to express how very sorry I am for your loss. I wish I knew the words....but of course...there are none. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers and that my heart is broken for you at this difficult time.##imported-begin##Eve Lambert Taylor##imported-end##

August 05, 2009 at 06:54 PM



“ We are so sorry for your loss. Your family will remain in our thoughts and prayers throughout the days ahead.##imported-begin##David and Phyllis Nye##imported-end##

August 05, 2009 at 06:34 PM



“ So sorry for your loss. I will truly miss Adam's playful spirit and silly grin. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Lyndel Myers##imported-end##

August 05, 2009 at 06:05 PM



“ Whitleys, Our thoughts and prayers go out to you. I've always enjoyed experiencing Adam's creativity at CRADYS. He was an Artist! He was such an interesting guy and I always enjoyed sharing a laugh with him. Please take care. We love you, The Skinners (Curt, Rebecca, Matilda and Ballou)##imported-begin##Curt Skinner##imported-end##

August 05, 2009 at 05:13 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with you and the family...##imported-begin##Katherine Saunders##imported-end##

August 05, 2009 at 04:58 PM



“ Mr. & Mrs. Whitley & Heather, I wish I could be with you right now and wrap my arms around you. All My Love Renae##imported-begin##Renae Guyon##imported-end##

August 05, 2009 at 04:34 PM



“ We are so sorry to hear of your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Roger ans Sandy Jacobs##imported-end##

August 05, 2009 at 02:40 PM



“ Dear Heather, I was so sorry to hear of Adam's death. I truly know how hard it is to lose someone you love so much and my thoughts and prayers are with you and your parents. May God wrap his loving arms around you and give you peace. With love,
Mary###imported-begin###Mary Limehouse###imported-end##

August 05, 2009 at 02:31 PM



“ I will cherish the many great memories from my childhood with my neighbor, Adam. From the homemade peanut butter, to playing marbles and kick-the-can, to riding bikes, and swimming at the pool. Always positive, always upbeat and smiling with the BIGGEST of hearts! Amazed at the "magic" he worked in making Crady's what it is today (love it every time I visit)! Adam will be missed greatly, and his family is in our constant prayers.###imported-begin###Terrilyn Healy###imported-end##

August 05, 2009 at 01:35 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with each of you.###imported-begin###Charia Harris###imported-end##

August 05, 2009 at 12:01 PM



“ To the Whitley family, My prayers are with you. Adam and I knew each other since elementary school. I wish you strength and love during this time period.###imported-begin###Curtis Richardson###imported-end##

August 05, 2009 at 11:15 AM



“ Les, Barbara and Heather, Our prayers and thoughts are with you during this time of sorrow. Adam touched so many lives and will be missed by all who knew him. Keep his memory alive in your hearts forever. May the love of friends and family carry you through your grief. With love, Roger and Kim###imported-begin###Roger and Kim Lovin###imported-end##

August 05, 2009 at 10:37 AM



“ Les, Barbara, & Heather, Our sympathy and prayers that God will sustain you are with you at this time. Mona & Mickey Wilson###imported-begin###Mona & Mickey Wilson###imported-end##

August 05, 2009 at 10:14 AM



“ Adam was a truly talented soul that will be dearly missed. May God give everyone comfort from this loss.###imported-begin###Melanie Murdock###imported-end##

August 05, 2009 at 10:08 AM



“ I was so sad to hear about Adam. His smile, creative presence and culinary skills were amazing. He will be missed terribly. My thoughts and prayers go out to Barbara, Les and Heather.###imported-begin###Jennifer Ray Parker###imported-end##

August 05, 2009 at 09:44 AM



“ Les, Barbara and Heather, we sorrow with you in Adam's death. In these times, our greatest comfort is the comfort of our Heavenly Father, "who comforts us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort those who are in any trouble, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God" (2 Corinthians 2:3-5). Randy & Judy Riddle##imported-begin##Rev. & Mrs. John R. ("Randy") Riddle##imported-end##

August 05, 2009 at 09:40 AM



“ We were so sad to hear of Adam's death. The world was a much better place with him in it. We will never forget how he made a simple party in our home a wonderful event! We will miss him!##imported-begin##Derrick and Sue Mozingo##imported-end##

August 05, 2009 at 09:37 AM



“ Dear Whitley Family, We are saddened by the loss of Adam. We can only imagine how difficult this is. We hope you will find comfort in your memories, your family and the love you have for one another. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers. Lamar and Kathryn Lewis##imported-begin##Lamar and Kathryn Lewis##imported-end##

August 05, 2009 at 08:50 AM



“ Dear Heather and Dr. and Mrs. Whitley, We are so sad to hear of the news of Adam's passing. Our prayers and thoughts are with you throughout this time of loss. God will pull you through this valley of life. Keep your faith in him. Adam always had a smile everytime we saw him whether it be at the restaurant or some other place. He was a truly gifted young man that will be missed by many. Treasure all the sweet memories of him as those will live in your heart forever. We love you!! John and Donna###imported-begin###John and Donna Williams###imported-end##

August 05, 2009 at 08:09 AM



“ Dear Heather, There are no words.....I was so saddened to hear about Adam. I thought the world of him and admired his wonderful culinary talents and his contagious laughter and "presence." He was a wonderful man and he will be sorely missed. My GOD wrap his arms around your parents and you so you may feel his his strength and peace during this most difficult time. Know I will continue to keep you close in thought and prayer....###imported-begin###Katrina Jones###imported-end##

August 05, 2009 at 07:53 AM



“ Dr. and Mrs. Whitley, Adam had such a strong presence. Warm, gregarious, funny- and his huge array of talents was truly mind boggling (as was his odd propensity for incredibly miniscule vehicles). I have so many lovely memories of Adam. Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers.###imported-begin###Laurie Wood###imported-end##

August 05, 2009 at 07:01 AM



“ To The Whitleys, I feel so deeply for you at this terrible tragedy. My mother also died 08/03/09. I will keep you in my prayers and will talk with you in the coming days. Mama's funeral is tomorrow, 08/06/09. She was 91. She and Adam were very much alike, not in physical terms, but in their love of food, cooking, beautiful things, and in their love of family. I will cherish my memories of both of them. Love,
Linda###imported-begin##Linda Harrelson Gainey###imported-end##

August 05, 2009 at 06:29 AM



“ Adam was a wonderful man, talented, funny, great sense of style, could tell if a house had "good bones" in minutes, he had an innate talent for interior design, he could make dirt taste great and I would have eaten it. I will miss my friend of 18 years. My grief is palpable, but he left me with such wonderful memories throughout my entire home, he picked out everything, paint colors, furniture, light fixtures etc. He was so talented. He may be gone, but he will never be forgotten. My prayers are with all of you.###imported-begin##Patricia Borosky###imported-end##

August 05, 2009 at 01:34 AM



“ Mr. & Mrs. Whitley, I am truly sorry for your loss. Adam and I were classmates. I remember Adam as thoughtful, fun to be around and he always shared the most beautiful smile to brighten his peers' days. I had not seen Adam in years, but I thought of him often and missed him at the 20 yr. class reunion we had in July. You all will remain in my thoughts and prayers. May God bless and keep you and your family. Sincerely, Lenetta Southern(Rhems) c/o 1989###imported-begin##Lenetta Southern (Rhems)###imported-end##

August 04, 2009 at 11:43 PM



“ So sorry to hear this. I remember Adam from my school days, though I hadn't seen him since High School. Deepest condolences##imported-begin##Geoffrey Barnett##imported-end##

August 04, 2009 at 11:28 PM



“ We are deeply saddened by your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you every day.##imported-begin##Jesse and Addie Lint##imported-end##

August 04, 2009 at 11:26 PM



“ DearBarbaraandLester, I will be praying for you all and family. Brenda Allen##imported-begin##Brenda Allen##imported-end##

August 04, 2009 at 11:15 PM



“ Dear Les and Barbara, I remember Adam as a child when he used to come to the Health Dept. when Les worked summers with me back in the early 1980's. He would sell homemade Peanut Butter. I always bought some from him and it was delicious. He had such a sweet manner about him. I am so sorry for your loss.##imported-begin##Debbie Martin##imported-end##

August 04, 2009 at 10:55 PM



“ We are so sorry to hear about Adam. I remember the crazy stories Heather would tell us about Adam. She really liked him and well as everyone. It is hard to believe that he is gone. We are thinking about you during this trying time.##imported-begin##Creola and Stoney Harrelson##imported-end##

August 04, 2009 at 10:45 PM



“ Adam was a wonderful friend/brother to my sister Trish. I am so sorry for your loss, but you will see him again. I think when someone is in pain and a prayer is uttered off of someone's lips, or lifted from their heart, it goes up to God who gives it to the Holy Spirit. It is turned into strength and comes back to rest on the shoulders of those who need it and that is how we get through. The Holy Spirit will send you strength. You're all in my prayers.##imported-begin##Cynthia Borosky Bowlin##imported-end##

August 04, 2009 at 09:53 PM



“ Adam was a special student way back in second grade. He was kind and thoughtful to me and all of his classmates. Recently, I enjoyed seeing him at Crady's. Marshall and I are thinking of you often and praying for your family.##imported-begin##Marsha Sasser##imported-end##

August 04, 2009 at 08:50 PM



“ Ned and I were so shocked to hear about Adam. Even thou I did not get to see him often I felt loved by him everytime I saw him and he always asked about Edward and his family. He was such a kind person. He will missed by us all. It's hard to understand why people are taken from us, but find comfort in knowing you were a special part of such a well-lived life. Barbara. Les and Heather we will keep you all in our prayers. Sincerely, Faye and Ned Hickson###imported-begin##Faye and Ned Hickson###imported-end##

August 04, 2009 at 08:07 PM



“ Our hearts just break for you! We are so sorry for this terrible loss. Please know that you are all in our prayers. In Christ's Love, Drew & Melanie Watson###imported-begin##Melanie Watson###imported-end##

August 04, 2009 at 07:57 PM



“ Words cannot express the depth of my shock & sorrow at learning of Adam's transition. I join all your family & Adam's friends in mourning our loss. Adam was certainly a child of God & a special member of our earthly family. I shall miss his beautiful smile & mourn the loss of seeing his beautiful talents come to further fruition. May God be with all of the Whitley's & know that you are always in my thoughts & prayers. With love, John###imported-begin##John Fulmer###imported-end##

August 04, 2009 at 06:28 PM



“ Dear Whitley family, Our deepest sympathy to you all at this very difficult time. May you find some comfort knowing Adam is sitting with our Lord and smiling down on you all. God Bless Adam and your family. Bonnie & Steve Hughes###imported-begin##Bonnie Hughes###imported-end##

August 04, 2009 at 06:27 PM



“ Adam's bright light will be greatly missed. We have lost one of the truly special souls that made this earth a better place. May peace be with his family and friends.###imported-begin##Debbie Clement###imported-end##

August 04, 2009 at 05:40 PM



“ I am so sorry to hear about Adam. I thought so much of him, his talents, and his humor. He and I discussed food, design, and laughed at such silly things. I had not seen him in some time, but will always treasure his kindness. With sincerest sympathy, Anne Hartis###imported-begin##anne hartis###imported-end##

August 04, 2009 at 05:38 PM



“ Terry and I will always remember your family fondly as you were the first people that we met when we moved to Conway. I remember Adam as a good natured child who was the same age as our younger son, Jason. We left Conway shortly after Jason and Adam graduated from high school, but we have fond memories of our time spent there and Adam figures prominatly in our memories.###imported-begin##Terry & Cheryl Barnett###imported-end##

August 04, 2009 at 05:25 PM



“ Mr. and Mrs. Whitley and Heather, I am sorry to hear of the loss of Adam. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. During the few short years that I have known him, I grew fond of him and his excellent skills as a chef. He always made me feel like a special customer and friend during my visits to Crady's.##imported-begin##Erica Rowe Haddock##imported-end##

August 04, 2009 at 05:03 PM



“ I feel like I've known Adam for my entire life. Sunday school at KPC, working at B&C during the summer, high school and college. He always made me laugh. He was such an awesome chef and friend. I hope he is at peace. My prayers are with his family.##imported-begin##Jessica Sasser##imported-end##

August 04, 2009 at 04:40 PM



“ We will miss Adam's smile and laughter in our office and at the restaurant. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Dr. Joshua Hudson and staff##imported-begin##Kingston Village Dentistry##imported-end##

August 04, 2009 at 04:39 PM



“ To the Whitley Family: As I am trying to process the loss of Adam, I have many fond memories of him from our high school days. He always made me laugh or calmed my nerves before a big exam saying "Don't worry, it's just a test". I will miss his smile and his loving personality. In God's hands you rest now my fellow 89 Tiger, to Shine so bright until we meet again! My Love and Prayers to all of you! Robin Goff Conway Class of 1989###imported-begin###Robin Goff###imported-end##

August 04, 2009 at 04:37 PM



“ Adam was so talented and gifted whether he was cooking or being an interior designer which was his passion. His style was very hip and refined. We will miss him greatly.###imported-begin###Barry West###imported-end##

August 04, 2009 at 02:32 PM



“ I am so saddened by the news of Adam's death. He was a great friend of mine in high school, college and after. He was always fun to be around. He will be greatly missed and the Conway community has suffered a great loss in his passing.###imported-begin###Sara Millus Tyler###imported-end##

August 03, 2009 at 05:14 PM