



Alfred Lanier

January 5, 2006

Surfside Beach Alfred Eugene Lanier, age 32 of Scottsdale, AZ died Thursday, January 5, 2006 at the home of his sister. Born February 27, 1973 in Mountain Home, ID, he was the son of Peggy King Burgess and the late Alfred R. Lanier. Mr. Lanier was currently attending Scottsdale Culinary Institute. Surviving in addition to his mother of Surfside are brothers, Ray Lanier of Surfside Beach and David McCullar of Atlanta, GA; sisters, Kim McCullar of Hawaii, Marian Willies of Charleston, SC and Lisa Lanier Gary of Surfside Beach and maternal grandmother, Clara King of Surfside Beach. Memorial services will be 4:00, Monday at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel with visitation two hours prior to services.

Tribute Wall



“ Dear Little Brother, Today marks 2 years since you left us. I know you are in a wonderful place but I miss you so much. Not a day goes by that you are not on my mind and today is especially difficult. I know you have to be watching over Mama and me because I can not explain how we are holding ourselves together. Just know I am always thinking of you and you are loved now more than I knew I had the capacity for. P.S.-I know you love the Poppin' Fresh ornaments so stop looking at me ;o I Love You, Lis##imported-begin##Lisa Lanier-Gary##imported-end##

January 05, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Alex brought together three sets of siblings and two distinct families, as only he could. As a lifelong friend of Alex's I was one of the fortunate few who knew him by both his give name of Gene, and his chosen name of Alex. Our story began when he was in first grade and I was in third. Alex was often fond of saying I was "long in the tooth". Alex will always be that golden boy to me who captured the hearts of every person he ever met. He was an incredibly beautiful, extremely intelligent and overwhelmingly talented individual. His charm and wit were his hallmarks. Alex was the most loyal person I've ever known. One he claimed you, you were his forever. He would stand by you, right or wrong. Alex, thank you for allowing me to come along on your journey, it was an honor and a pleasure I shall never forget.##imported-begin##Meira Dozier##imported-end##

January 06, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ You have been gone a year, and it seems so much longer. Yet even with the passing of time it is hard to find the words for the impact you had on so many people. You made us all laugh and think at the same time. We all still find so many ways to keep the times we shared alive, and few days pass that we don't refer to those everyday things that you could make a joke out of, to make us laugh at ourselves. You have and always will be missed by all those whose lives you touched. I am blessed that I was able to have you as my boss, my friend and my family, and to share as much time together as we did. I know you have found peace and that makes me smile. I miss you Al.##imported-begin##Jordyn Heche##imported-end##

January 05, 2007 at 12:00 AM



“ I met Alex in November 1991 when I was hired at ADT.From the beginning it was his personality that just brightened the room. Oh gosh! I could just go on and on about the good times Alex and I had.We would just laugh and laugh at everything under the sun. We use to say we got along so well because we were both nuts. He touched so many of us especially at ADT.I think of him often and just smile to myself because he always brought a smile to my face. God bless his family and every one he touched. I know he is laughing at me now and saying "girl stop rambling". So on that note Alex we love you and keep smiling.##imported-begin##Michelle Peete##imported-end##

March 06, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ To Friends and Family of A. Lanier: Your warm, sharing words recalling your friend in life have helped me to know something of WHY he was a blessing on this earth. Thank you for helping me to know some of why his family adored his spirit and presence so deeply. I've known members of that family since 1950 and have loved and respected them all these years; now, I can help them properly celebrate one of their own and rejoice that God takes care of the eternal lives of those who make a difference for the rest of us here on earth. God bless you, one and all.##imported-begin##Lloyd Blanton##imported-end##

February 12, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ I want to send my condolence to family of Alex. He will be missed. I had worked with him at ADT when he first started there, and he had always brought a smile to my face. He was such a loving caring person. He was always willing to help people, even if it is just to make them smile if they are down. God Bless you Alex, you will be missed and we'll meet again.##imported-begin##Paul Polson##imported-end##

January 20, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Dearest Alex, I will never understand why you had to leave me so sudden. But, I will take comfort in knowing how truly blessed I am to have been loved by you. You will always have a special place in my heart. Perhaps in the next life, we can finish what we started. Your "Rose lipped maiden" Gina##imported-begin##Gina Ray##imported-end##

January 20, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Alex was my roommate, he was my family. I feel so priveleged to have had him in my life for as long as I did. His undeniable intelligence and unavoidable humor put smiles on the faces of all those he encountered, especially mine. My favorite times with him were drinking great wine and dancing in the living room, tasting his delicious meals and laughing so hard that our cheeks would hurt. His memory will forever live in my soul and his laugh I will hear for the rest of my days. My deepest sympathies go out to his family and friends. I will miss you terribly. I love you.##imported-begin##Jennifer P Hutkai##imported-end##

January 19, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Gene Alex Lanier was our son, brother, grandson, uncle, and my best friend. Although we may have been separated by miles, our hearts were and still are very much connected. I am not surprised to see so many lives he affected in his short time in this world and know he continues to shine on us all in his afterlife. Our family would like to thank everyone for the kind words, cards, and flowers, and a special thanks to his extended family out west who have been a great comfort to us all during this time. I do not think we could have gotten through this without you all. Sincerely, Lisa Lanier-Gary and Family##imported-begin##Lisa Lanier-Gary##imported-end##

January 19, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Alex was family to me. We worked together down in Tucson where he made a huge impression on me with his eloquence, especially when those awesome sarcastic comments went flying out of his mouth at mach speed! We found that cooking together was a lot of fun - I would show him Indian recipes and he would show me EVERYTHING else. His knowledge spanned so many disciplines my head spun on a daily basis. Shortly after he moved to Phoenix to attend the Culinary Institute, I moved up to the area as well. Of course that only motivated him to throw more stalker jokes into the insane mix... Alex was the most supportive friend and was with me for some of the most important decisions and moments in the time that I have known him. He invited me into his life as if I were family and I will never forget that. He had that amazing ability to make people feel comfortable and special no matter what. I love you and have a feeling that you will always be watching...and quite likely snickering half under your breath in that great way... I will miss you dearly Alex.##imported-begin##Amy N. Bhatt##imported-end##

January 19, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Alex was so special. His smile and his jokes have cheered me up more times than I can count.His presence was nothing but positivity and caring.Alex my love you are and will be deeply missed. To his family my greatest sympathy. Alex we will joke together again.##imported-begin##Katie Haar##imported-end##

January 16, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ I only knew Alex briefly, but as you can tell he touched many many lives. I don't ever want to mourn his death, but instead celebrate his life. I remember when I first started Adt, and they made you feel like if you did anything wrong you would be in great trouble. I asked him to help me with an alarm. He looked at the screen and yelled "Oh my god what did you do". Of course I freaked out, and he bursted out in laughter. He will be greatly missed, but I don't look at it as if it is the end. It's the beginning of another great journey for him. He is an angel in life and death. God bless##imported-begin##Beth Atkins/Good##imported-end##

January 16, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ A light may have gone out, but his glow still surrounds us. Alex was a very good friend and I'll miss the kindness, the sass, and the laughs. Never fear, Alex...I'll keep pointing and laughing for both of us.##imported-begin##Daniel Anderson##imported-end##

January 13, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ I met Alex when we worked together at Cost Plus. From the first day, I loved him, we clicked. The thing about Alex was he could always make me laugh, which is a hard thing to do. He also had the best one liners of any person I've ever met. Alex was a very sincere, kind and wonderful man whom I miss very much. I don't think I'll ever meet anyone quite like him again and I can never forget his great laugh and smile.##imported-begin##Jaimie Waybill##imported-end##

January 12, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ My prayers are with the Lainer family. We will never forget you Alex. See you again someday.##imported-begin##Kevin Gibson##imported-end##

January 12, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ My condolences to all of Alex's family. I met Alex through Gina and knew him for only a short time, but was impressed by his sense of humor and his kindness. Know that he is impressing everyone in heaven with those same qualities.##imported-begin##Sue Van De Berghe##imported-end##

January 11, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Alex's Bright Smile and Witty personality will be missed. I enjoyed working with him at ADT Security in Kansas City. God apparently had a vacancy that need to filled and Alex had done all that was requested of him on earth. May GOD and all the ANGELS in HEAVEN take care of Alex, his friends and his family... Today, Tomorrow and Always.##imported-begin##Juanita Farr##imported-end##

January 11, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ i worked with alex at adt for a few years and remember him as a helpful and friendly co-worker. he was always willing to share a joke and a smile as quickly as he would help you at work. alex struck me as a very helpful and loving person.my condolences to his family and may god bless and keep you at this trying time. bob c.##imported-begin##bob curran##imported-end##

January 11, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ My deepest sympathy goes out to the family & friends of Alex. I met Alex in the early 90's working with ADT & he was one of the most hilarious people I know of to this day ! He was such an intelligent,well spoken & fun person to be around. I think everyone who worked with him on Harrison has very special memories with him & I will always think about our conversations in between phone calls ! Thank you Alex for all the wonderful memories ! You definately made our world a better place & may God give you peace & comfort.##imported-begin##Shannon Warstler##imported-end##

January 11, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Mr Lanier was my boss years ago at ADT. I remember that he always had a smile on his face and I am deeply saddened by his death but know that he is in a much better place. He will be missed##imported-begin##Kara Murray##imported-end##

January 10, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with the family of Alex at this time. My greatest memory of Alex is when I 1st moved to KC back in "97" he was one of the funniest people I had ever met and made moving to a strange city a little better.##imported-begin##Brian Davis##imported-end##

January 10, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ I am really sorry to hear about the passing of Alex. I started working with Alex at ADT in Downtown Kansas City, MO back in the 1990's. I really enjoyed working with him. He always made me laugh. I will truly miss him!###imported-begin##Rhoben d. Burnes###imported-end##

January 10, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Alex touched alot of people during his short stay on this earth. I greatly appreciate getting to know him. He had great outlook on life. And that rubbed off on everyone he touched. I also want to express my condulances to the Lanier family. Alex thanks!###imported-begin##Brian Porter###imported-end##

January 09, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Peggy, I was so sorry to hear about your son.I know this must be a very difficult time for you, and no words can convey the sympathy myself, and all those you work with feel.We want you to know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. Please let me know if I can help in any way. Ron###imported-begin##Ron Engel###imported-end##

January 09, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ There are so many memories that Alex and I shared, some can be shared with others, and some I'll always cherish in my heart. May God Bless your family and friends who will miss you also. Until we meet again, I'll savior the memories. Thank you for being a part of my life. Love Always "Evie"###imported-begin##Yvonne Burrell###imported-end##

January 09, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Alex was a great person, who had a love of life, and a vocal opinion about just about everything. He was funny, and smart, sensitive and kind with an acerbic wit. Many will miss him.##imported-begin##H. KAY SOULIS##imported-end##

January 09, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Our sympathy and prayers are with your family at this time. Alex brought joy and passion into everything he did. He will be remembered fondly by those he touched. God Bless.##imported-begin##David Knack##imported-end##

January 09, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ You will be missed.##imported-begin##PJ Owens##imported-end##

January 09, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ I remember meeting Alex shortly after I moved to Kansas City. He was a pleasure to work with, intelligent and dedicated, with a great and unique sense of humor. He will surely be missed. My sympathies, thoughts, and prayers for God's comfort and grace are with his family and friends at this difficult time.##imported-begin##Martin Reiffer##imported-end##

January 09, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ My fondest memory of Alex is his laughter. Alex could brighten a room, just by entering. That laughter, his love for life, & his presence in this world will be missed. He was a friend, a mentor, a colleague, & I will miss him terribly. Rest peacefully in God's loving hands, knowing that you made this world a better place.##imported-begin##Erika Saccardi##imported-end##

January 09, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Alex, you were charming & witty. You made work a pleasure. You'll be missed.##imported-begin##Lisa Grunick##imported-end##

January 09, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Alex You will be missed and loved. I will remeber the good times and the FUN times most of all!!!!##imported-begin##Samantha Hernandez##imported-end##

January 08, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ You will be missed Alex.##imported-begin##Holly Cummings##imported-end##

January 08, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ I would like to say my prayers are with the family of Alfred Lanier at this sad time.##imported-begin##mary Kelley##imported-end##

January 08, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ When we came to ADT in Kansas City in 1997 from outside Detroit Michigan, it was Alex, Linda, and Meira who treated my wife and I like family, and made us feel welcome and wanted here. Alex was a Unit Mgr. here at ADT, and the gang of us would go out for a meal and conversation over a wide variety of topics-and while gathered there had many wonderful, enchanting discussions, but it was ordinarily Alex, with his great stories and "over the top" sense of humor that kept us all in stitches, and just about falling out of the restaurant booths and chairs we were sitting in at the time. The funniest story ever though, that I recall Alex relaying to us, was based on his own experiences as they so often were-Alex had no problem laughing at himself!, when he learned the importance of using the hold button instead of the mute button! He had taken an escalated complaint call, and after hitting the mute button, proceeded to tell the other Managers gathered in his office for a daily meeting, in a uniquely outrageous Alex type of comment, just what kind of jerk did this customer think he was, when the customer responded back, "What did you say?" Alex spent the next 10 to 15 minutes convincing the customer that he had not been talking about him which of course he had been!, and getting things calmed down and resolved, and actually sending the customer away satisfied and contented with what Alex and ADT had done for him-just one more example of Alex's charm and ability to resolve any situation! Alex, you've gone too soon-which the truly good ones always do. Thanks for being you-when I think of you, I know I won't be able to do so without a smile and beginning to chuckle and laugh-YOU'LL BE MISSED BY US ALL!###imported-begin##Greg Smith##imported-end##

January 08, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ I worked with Alex for two years at ADT. He was both my trainer and my first manager. I remember him as an energetic hilarious guy who really enjoyed life. Alex had an amazing sense of humor and there were many nights I left with my cheeks burning from laughing at him. I remember Alex had this saying he used, "don't make me stop this car" and even though it's been many years since I've seen him, to this day everytime I hear someone use that phrase, I think of Alex. He was missed when he left ADT, he will be missed now that he's left this world and he will remain in our hearts forever.##imported-begin##Jennifer Leonard/Johnson##imported-end##

January 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Alex, May you rest in peace. I will forever remember the times shared at ADT. May God forever watch over you and your family and friends whom you have left behind.##imported-begin##Jacki Mister##imported-end##

January 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Alex was my roommate and my best friend. We had so many funny memories together. Like the first time I saw him in his Halloween costume. He was America's Next Top Model and he wore a hideous royal blue bathing suite embelished with gold fringe. When I saw him come out of his room, I fell out of my chair and laughed so hard that I hyperventilated! Even though Alex was the validictorian at the Scottsdale Cullinary Institute and a world class chef, the best meal he ever made for me was hamburger helper, frozen cauliflower and pilsbury biscuits. He made such a profound impact on my life. I am just so grateful for the time I had with him. He made such a profound impact on not only my life, but everybody who met him. He was loved by all. My thoughts and prayers are with his family and all of his friends. I love you Alex Lanier!###imported-begin##Jennie Young###imported-end##

January 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ As i stare at this guest book in utter disbelief and devestation,I can still hear Alex laugh. That was the beauty of Alex, he had the ability to bring out the best in every person and situation. I can not even begin to describe in words what Alex has done, been and continues to be in my life. He was more than a friend, he was my brother. With that said I invite all that were fortunate to know him to truly celebrate his life and existence. I will always love and miss you Alex. Thank you for being you.###imported-begin##Joan Wissing###imported-end##

January 07, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Alex, I speak for Erika, Jennifer W. and others who have worked with you at ADT-KC. You were our trainer and taught us to love and live life to the fullest. Thank you for sharing your life and knowledge with us.##imported-begin##Amy Sybert Blonde##imported-end##

January 06, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ Through the years there are those who make profound impacts in our lives. They are the ones who add flavor to an otherwise bland existence. Alex was such a man and he is missed. My prayers are with all who knew him and experienced the zeal of life which he had. God Bless him his family and all of his friends.##imported-begin##Rev Ed Stevenson##imported-end##

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