



Burnis Stafford Todd

December 13, 1948 - July 17, 2020

Burnis "Bubba" Todd, 71, passed away Friday, July 17, 2020 at his home. Born December 13, 1948 in Conway, SC, he was the son of the late Burnis E. Todd and Zelma Sessions Todd. Bubba enjoyed life. He served his country as a Medic in the United States Air Force. He was an accomplished skeet shooter and he loved hunting, fishing and seining. Bubba was an avid NASCAR fan and could tell great stories. He worked with people with special needs and disabilities and took great pride in making a difference in their lives. Surviving are his two sisters Gloria Watford (Jenks) and Julia "Becky" Valentine (Hugh); his aunt Eula Mae Todd; his uncle James Todd; his nieces Lisa Parker (Bill), Rebecca Watford and Laura Burgess (Mike); his nephew Bryan Bowman (Meredith); and his great nephews Beau and Banks Bowman. A Memorial Service will be held at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel, on Thursday, July 23, 2020. Due to CDC regulations attendance is limited; please contact the family for further information.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to St Jude Children's Research Hospital at www.stjude.org or the American Heart Association at www.heart.org.

Please sign the online guestbook at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel is serving the family.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUL **23**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel
606-610 Beaty Street
Conway, SC 29526

Tribute Wall

LF

“ BACK ON MARCH 2,2020 I WAS RELIEVED OF MY JOB THAT I HAD BEEN ON FOR 37 YEARS AND WAS NOT FEELING THE BEST ABOUT LIFE. I HAD BEEN OUT OF WORK SINCE NOVEMBER HAVING TWO KNEES PUT IN MY RIGHT LEG. I DID NOT HAVE A PHONE OF MY OWN SO ANYONE WANTING TO CONTACT ME HAD TO CALL MY WIFE'S CELL . SHE ANSWERS THE PHONE AND TELLS SOMEONE TO HOLD ON. SHE HANDS ME THE PHONE AND SAYS"IT'S BURNIS TODD . BURNIS AND I GO BACK TO THE 70'S WHEN WE LIVED IN THE SAME HOUSE ON LAUREL STREET WHEN I WAS BETWEEN WIVES AND HE WAS BETWEEN CORVETTES. THOSE WERE THE GREATEST ADVENTURES OF MY LIFE . BURNIS WAS A FRIEND TO MY WHOLE FAMILY AND A PALL BEARER FOR MY FATHER'S FUNERAL. BURNIS WANTED ME TO DO SOME REPAIR WORK ON HIS TRUCK SINCE WE USED TO DO THOSE THINGS AS A PAIR . I HAD THE PLEASURE OF SPENDING MARCH ,APRIL,MAY, JUNE, AND THE FIRST OF JULY ON AND OFF WITH BURNIS LOVING IT SOME AND WANTING TO BEAT HIM TO A PULP ON OCCASION ALSO. WE LAID UNDER SEVERAL OLD TRUCKS AT THE JUNKYARD TAKING PARTS OFF TO REPAIR HIS TRUCK AT MY SHOP . WE PUT A NEW GRILL TOGETHER FOR HIS HOME . I GOT A CELL PHONE (YES I DID) JUST SO I COULD GIVE HIM A CALL AND CHECK ON HIM . I HAD HEART TROUBLE 12 YEARS AGO SO WE ALSO HAD A BOND BETWEEN US AGAIN . I WENT OUT TO HIS HOME EVERY DAY OR SO OR CALLED HIM TO CHECK UP ON HIM . I WENT OUT THERE TWO DAYS BEFORE HE PASSED AND SPENT 3 OR 4 HOURS WITH HIM RELIVING THE PAST . I MADE TODD CRY AS I WAS LEAVING BECAUSE I TOLD HIM AS MUCH AS WE FUSSED AND MADE UP AND ALL THE TIMES WE HAD HAD TOGETHER AS FRIENDS AND ENEMIES, I REALLY WANTED HIM TO KNOW THAT I LOVED HIM. THAT WAS THE LAST THING I TOLD HIM BEFORE HE PASSED . I WAS GOING TO HIS HOUSE TO CHECK ON HIM TWO DAYS LATER BECAUSE HE DID NOT ANSWER MY PHONE CALL AND I MET THE POLICE CAR COMING OUT OF HIS DRIVEWAY. BURNIS,

YOU WILL ALWAYS BE WITH ME IN MY MIND UNTIL I AM WITH YOU AND OUR SAVIOR, JESUS CHRIST, IN THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN . GODSPEED, MY FRIEND

Larry W. Fullwood - September 09, 2020 at 08:52 PM

WG

“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



William Goswick - August 03, 2020 at 07:25 PM

BF

“ *My husband and I found Burnis while on vacation several years ago. I had not seen him since living at Myrtle Beach from 1961 to 1963. We met and had a great visit reminiscing about those times and catching up on our lives . Living at the beach was exciting having moved from Oklahoma but the best memories was meeting the Todd family. Brenda Goswick Fears.*

Brenda Goswick Fears - August 03, 2020 at 09:14 AM

WG

“ I met Burnis and his Dad at their gas station in Myrtle Beach, SC in early 1961. I was an Airman stationed at Myrtle Beach Air Force Base. The Todd family was extremely nice to me, and made my 2 1/2 year stay at Myrtle Beach very pleasant and memorable. I took Burnis to his first NASCAR race at Charlotte, NC to see the World 600 race in 1962. Burnis was like a son to me. We had great times together. We reconnected a few years ago, and kept in touch by telephone and email. I was very saddened and shocked to hear of Burnis' passing. I will miss him greatly. Rest in eternal peace, Buddy.

SSgt Bill Goswick, USAF (ret'd), Tulsa, Oklahoma.

William E Goswick - August 03, 2020 at 12:21 AM

BG

“ My heart is so heavy at the loss of my friend. I meet Burnis in 1984 when I started working at Vocational Rehabilitation. We were good friends and always enjoyed laughing and joking about something. Rest in peace my friend. In my heart, you will always be "my baby daddy".

Bonita Gore - July 31, 2020 at 12:34 AM

SE

“ So sorry to hear about mom's neighbor ,He was a very nice guy.

Sandra Evans - July 24, 2020 at 10:16 AM

MM

“ So sorry to hear Burnis passed. He was a good friend. I have lots of great memories of bream fishing in the rice fields and little Pee Dee with Burnis even though I knew we had to wash the boat every time. Now I do it to my boat. He taught me how to shoot a shotgun the “right” way. He was with me when I shot my first straight 25 at the skeet field. That’s a memory I will always love and never forget. I’ll miss you Todd.

Matthew Martin - July 23, 2020 at 08:39 PM

BM

“ I enjoyed working with Burnis for several years at Vocational Rehabilitation. He always had a joke or funny story to share with everybody. I will never forget the Monday morning at work when Burnis was wearing a wig after he had wrecked his green Corvette over the weekend. Another funny story happened on a Monday morning when Burnis was telling in complete details how he, Sonny Harper, and Herman Breedlove were arrested and ended up in jail after shining a light at some deer in a soy bean field. Sonny and Herman will have to give you the complete details of this story. I will also never forget the expression on Burnis’ face when he was telling us how someone had stolen his red Chevrolet Silverado truck in broad daylight at the corner of 4th Ave. and Hwy. 378 where he parked it everyday in hopes that someone would call in response to his for sale sign. In closing, let it be known that Burnis was determined that Herman Breedlove would never catch more fish than he did. Burnis, Rest In Peace. We will miss you.

Bob McIntyre

Bob McIntyre - July 22, 2020 at 08:23 PM

RA

“ Oh my! I'm just reading about "Little Burnis" as mama called him. Shocked, especially since he is almost my neighbor. As a matter of fact, Johnny and I were just talking about him last week. Gloria and Becky, you and your family are in your prayers. Please also give our regards to Eula Mae and James a/k/a Sookie (phonetic spelling) and Nunkey. Due to COVID19 we probably won't see you but you all are in our thoughts and prayers.

Rachel and Johnny Allen - July 21, 2020 at 07:29 PM

AF

“ Sharing this silly memory always makes me smile. It was 1964 or 65, Becky and I were spending a Saturday afternoon lazing around. In comes Bubba. He has an idea and decides that if Becky and I ironed his shirt and pants...maybe polish shoes, he would take us to the Hickory House which was the local drive-in hangout. Say no more, we jumped on it! Soon after we were cruising down Kings hwy with the Hickory House getting closer little did we know that you could drive around the H.H. in eleven seconds. It was so fast we couldn't even see who was there or be seen. We said "Bubba we thought we were going to the H.H." He smiled, and said "you did". Back to the Lucky Strike we went without a hamburger or a pink lady. Even so, the short ride with Bubba was fun. He was a mess! My deepest sympathy to Becky, Gloria and families. Much love.

-Angie Fowler and family

Angie Fowler - July 21, 2020 at 07:25 PM

PM

“ I was sad to learn of Burnis passing and have fond memories of him and his professional contributions to the SC Vocational Rehabilitation Department. Rest In Peace my Friend!

Paul Mears - July 21, 2020 at 06:33 PM

SH

“ My condolences to the entire Todd family! We worked together for 33 yrs in Vocational Rehab. There was fishing, especially seining, skeet shooting, and hunting trips enjoyed! Good memories to never be forgotten.

Sonny Harper - July 21, 2020 at 08:55 AM



“ One of my favorite Todd's! We all loved him and could always count on him to show up when he heard any of us needed him. Daddy was especially grateful for his visits and loved him. I enjoyed sitting for hours and trading stories. He will certainly be missed! Love to you all and continued prayers. He was so proud of his family!

Christian Sichertano - July 20, 2020 at 11:51 PM

ST

“ Burnis was always my friend in high school and later in life I became his “aunt” when I married his uncle. We always laughed together and had fun. He loved life, his family, and his many friends. He always had a funny story to tell and he described simple things and made them hysterically funny. I will miss you forever Burnis. You were a true friend and I loved you.
Becky and Gloria you were blessed with the sweetest brother ever. I know your hearts are broken and please know I am here for you.
Sherrie

sherrie todd - July 20, 2020 at 02:46 PM

HB

“ It is with great regret that I learned of Burnis's passing. I worked with him for eight years at Vocational Rehab and he was a great friend and fishing buddy. We spent many hours on the river together, and after I moved back to North Carolina, we remained in touch. Each year I would come down two to three times and spend a week with Burnis and we would fish the river and cook. I had a good phone conversation with him on Monday, July 13th, and I'm so thankful for that. I will have a lot of good memories of our times together. Rest in peace, my dear friend - you will always be remembered.

*Herman G. Breedlove
Henderson, NC*

Herman G Breedlove - July 20, 2020 at 11:25 AM

WU

“ Thanks for your service Airman !!!
*Wayne Williams
United States Marine Corps*



Wayne Williams - USMC - July 20, 2020 at 10:47 AM

RG

“ I am so saddened to hear Burnis passed away. He was a special friend. I have known Burnis since 1976 when we worked at Vocational Rehabilitation together. Over the years I truly enjoyed fishing or just visiting with him. I will never forget his sense of humor and wit. He will surely be missed.

Randy Gore - July 20, 2020 at 08:25 AM

JH

“ *Gone but never forgotten*



Justin Hughes - July 19, 2020 at 10:29 PM

MK

“ *I am so shocked to read of Burnis' passing. I worked with him at Voc Rehab for 33 years. I know he loved his sister's and their families very much!! I would like to go to his memorial service, if possible*

Mona King - July 19, 2020 at 09:01 PM