



Colie Metts

March 9, 1931 - February 24, 2016

Conway

Colie Merle Metts, 84, of Columbia Street, died Wednesday, February 24, 2016 at Conway Medical Center.

Mr. Metts was born in Little Mountain, SC, a son of the late Colie S. and Juanita Watts Metts. He was a 1949 graduate of Little Mountain High School. Mr. Metts was a graduate of SC Highway Patrol Training School and numerous specialized training courses. He served as a State Trooper with most of his service in the North Myrtle Beach and Conway areas of Horry County. Sgt. Metts retired in 1991 after 38 years service. Through the years Sgt. Metts received many commendations for outstanding service. He was a member of South Carolina Troopers Association, Life Member Grand Strand Masonic Lodge #392, 32nd Degree Scottish Rite of Free Masonry. Sgt. Metts was also a member of the Omar Shriners, Omar Chefs, member and Past President of Waccamaw Shrine Club, and Life Member and Past President of MLC Shrine Club. He enjoyed his early childhood experiences on the farm which contributed to his love of gardening, fishing and hunting. One of his greatest joys was spending time at their beach house in Cherry Grove and having fish fries. He enjoyed gardening and sharing produce from his garden with neighborhood friends. Sgt. Metts enjoyed traveling and together with his wife, made many trips throughout the US and because of his love of the water, they enjoyed numerous cruises. He was preceded in death by a brother, Larry W. Metts.

Surviving are his wife of 61 years of marriage, Joyce Aughtry Metts of Conway; two sisters, Jeannette M. Fulmer and husband James B. Fulmer of Prosperity, SC and Deborah M. Crider of Florence, SC; two sisters-in-law, Shirley Aughtry of Newberry, SC and Linda S. Metts of Chapin, SC; and special nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews who loved him dearly.

Funeral services will be held 10:30 AM Saturday at Christ the Servant Lutheran Church with Rev. Richard Weidman, Jr. and Rev. Lee Singleton officiating. Burial will follow in Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church Cemetery in Little Mountain, SC at 3:30 on Saturday.

The family will receive friends from 9:30 AM until 10:30 AM Saturday at the church.

Memorials may be made to Christ the Servant Church, Debt Reduction Fund, 2105 Hwy. 501 E, Conway, SC 29526.

Sign a guestbook at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel is serving the family.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 27. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Christ The Servant Lutheran Church
2105 E. Hwy 501
Conway, SC 29526-9505

Service

FEB 27. 10:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

RM

“ So sorry to hear the passing of our friend and brother in blue.....Retired South Carolina State Trooper Trooper Colie Metts. So proud to have known Colie for many years. I cherish his friendship & all the fond memories of a good man. He was well-liked, respected, a Shriner for many years & served 38 years as a dedicated law enforcement officer. Thanks for your dedicated service to your fellowman & public safety endeavors. He loved his dear wife, Joyce, his Shriner activities, fishing & like me.....his beloved cigars! I will miss him. All who love him can take comfort knowing that now he rests in eternal peace in God's loving care. Thoughts and prayers are with Miss Joyce, his family and his many friends. God bless you all!

Retired NMBPD Captain Fred Morris - February 27, 2016 at 02:49 PM

CJ

Rest in peace. Sounds like he was a great guy.

Charles Johnson - March 01, 2016 at 03:31 AM

WT

“ Joyce,
Our deepest sympathy for your loss. I worked with Colie for many years in Horry County, SC. We shared many leisure times together. He was a great friend. May God bless and comfort you during the difficult days ahead.
W. E. "Ed" & Sybil Thompson



W. E. "Ed" Thompson - February 27, 2016 at 10:58 AM

BS

“ Merle was a classmate of mine at Little Mountain High School. I remember those years with pleasure. He was an interesting character and great friend.
Bill "Billy" Sandel

Bill Sandel - February 27, 2016 at 09:41 AM

SL

“ Joyce, I will certainly miss Mr. Merle! I know how much he loved his gardening & the figs I would bring him every year! I'm always here for you if you need me. I love you & Mr. Merle!! Praying for you... Sandra



Sandra Lewis - February 26, 2016 at 07:57 PM

RA

“ my prayes are with the family. he will be missed for his love of fishing

richard albert - February 26, 2016 at 04:19 PM

WL

“ Colie and I worked together in Horry Co on Highway Patrol. I went there as a rookie and Colie took me under his wing. With his guidance and advice I went in Masonic Lodge and Omar Shrines and retired from Patrol 27 years later. A fine man I know he will be missed.

Wayne Luther - February 26, 2016 at 03:17 PM

AW

“ Joyce, So sorry to hear of the passing of your husband. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Anne M. Whelan

Anne Matthews Whelan - February 26, 2016 at 12:14 PM

DC

“*Joyce, fond memories of our times shared. When the milestone is complete, the journey ends swiftly.* Doris C. Johnson

Doris C. Johnson - February 26, 2016 at 07:26 AM

JC

“*Joyce,
I am so sorry for your loss. May God comfort you during this difficult time.
You are in my prayers.
Jean Clemmons, Myrtle Beach, SC*

Jean Clemmons - February 26, 2016 at 12:46 AM

HB

“*Joyce, You and Colie have been like family to Don and me, making your careers in law enforcement and education, just as we have. We will always cherish that bond.*

The Wampee-Little River Class of '65 wrapped their arms around you tonight for peace and comfort. We had a scheduled dinner at Horry's Restaurant and shared our funny, sweet, thoughtful, and respectful memories of Colie, one of a kind and loved by all.

Harriet Stevens Blanton - February 26, 2016 at 12:14 AM

NM

“ I'm very sad to hear of Mett's passing!! He & Mrs Joyce were good friends of my late parents, Cloye & Eloise Gause!! I hope Ms Joyce can read this & knows our prayers are with her!!! Mett's was a great man with a heart of gold!! Can see him with his cigar in Heaven!! Condolences to all his friends/family!!



Nancy Gause Morris - February 25, 2016 at 09:55 PM

WI

“ William E. Gore III lit a candle in memory of Colie Metts



William E. Gore III - February 25, 2016 at 09:04 PM

JA

“ Colie assisted me several times in 1977 when I was Potentate of Omar Shrine Temple--He was a special friend to me and our fraternity--I extend to his family my most sincere wishes for comfort and peace during this traumatic time--God Bless !!!

Judge Jim Aycock - February 25, 2016 at 08:16 PM

Ron Bourne

“ Enjoyed the laughs camaraderie with Colie at the MB Shrine Club. I can hear him laughing now after one of us telling a joke. Rest In Peace Colie.

Ron Bourne - February 25, 2016 at 08:06 PM

BG

“ *My dad was a Highway Patrolman who worked with Metts. Always had good things to say about him. Keeping the family in my prayers.*

Barbara (Bobbie MCLAURIN) Graham

David MCLAURIN's daughter (Mr. Mac)

barbara graham - February 25, 2016 at 08:01 PM

 Jamie
Hawes

“ *Mr. Metts and his wife lived across the street from me since I was 8 years old...He was a great man with a "unique" sense of humor! I will miss him...Jamie Hawes*

Jamie Hawes - February 25, 2016 at 08:00 PM

HC

“ *My wife and I would like you to know we are thinking of you, Ms Joyce. The years I worked with and around Collie cannot be forgotten, he holds lots of good memories.
May the blessing of the Good Lord comfort you and help you now.
Henry and Teresa Cumbie*

Henry Cumbie - February 25, 2016 at 07:37 PM

DH

“ *MR. Metts was a kind and friendly man. He was friends with my granddad Ward and was always ready to share stories with me. Always a smile, we will miss you!*

Dianne Ward Hickman - February 25, 2016 at 07:36 PM

PM

“ *What can you say, but everyone loved and respected him. There is no better legacy to leave. Thinking of you, Joyce at this difficult time.*

Pam Heustess McLaughlin - February 25, 2016 at 07:16 PM

KT

“ *Colie was a good friend and I enjoyed working with him on the Patrol. My thoughts are with Mrs. Joyce and we all will miss Colie.*

Ken Thrasher - February 25, 2016 at 06:53 PM

MP

“ *The Pryor family extends sincere condolences in the passing of Mr. Metts, he was a beloved neighbor. We have nothing but fond memories of kindness shown to us, before his health failed he always shared items from his garden or if he went fishing we all had fish. May you find comfort knowing that the life he lived speaks for him. Mary and James Pryor*

Mary Pryor - February 25, 2016 at 06:34 PM

TW

“ *Colie You will be missed by us. Many Good times as personal friends, Police officers. Thoughts are with Joyce.*

Terry & Wanda White - February 25, 2016 at 06:16 PM

IV

“ *Iris Vereen lit a candle in memory of Colie Metts*



iris vereen - February 25, 2016 at 05:40 PM

BK

“ Prayers and love to Mrs. Metts and family. Love Barbara Keelyn and Terry Johnson.

Barbara Keelyn - February 25, 2016 at 03:58 PM

WJ

Sending prayers and thought to you. I know Mr. Merle will be missed. Love always, Wanda Jordan

Wanda Jordan - February 25, 2016 at 06:29 PM

JC

I have so many memories of Mr Metts.He was a friend to everyone. First and only Police officers to every stop me. No ticket.Love Mrs Metts when she worked at Wampee Little River School.Praying for you .Judy West Carter

Judy W Carter - February 25, 2016 at 08:50 PM