



## Dennis A. Drake M.D.

May 27, 1946 - January 5, 2024

Myrtle Beach...Dennis A. Drake, MD, age 77, passed away Friday, January 5, 2024.

Dr. Drake was born May 27, 1946 in Birmingham, AL, a son of the late Earney Lee Drake and Inez Parks Drake. He retired as an anesthesiologist from Conway Medical Center where he worked from 1985 until 2005. Prior to 1985, he helped establish the Pediatric Emergency Room at Childrens Hospital in Knoxville, TN where he worked as a pediatrician. Dr. Drake was loved and respected by his colleagues. He loved to read, listen to music and loved all animals. He was a member of the Army Reserves and was very passionate about politics. Dr. Drake was predeceased by a brother, Terry Drake.

Surviving are his loving companion, Charity Herring, four children, Casey Drake Coffey (Ken), Brandy Drake Kim (Chin), Asa Drake and Brooke Buonomo (Dan), ten grandchildren, one brother, Ron Drake (Nancy), one sister, Cyndie Lawson (Vernon), his loving cat, Mikey and many nieces, nephews, cousins and other family members.

No local services are planned at this time.

Memorials may be sent to the Grand Strand Humane Society, online at <https://www.grandstrandhumanesociety.com/how-you-can-help/planned-giving/> Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

# Tribute Wall

KW

“ How do you describe the love I have for you, the man that truly saved my life? You were so much more than my Dr, you meant everything to me, outside of my own Mom. You gave me away at my wedding, you cared about me, you were such a great, wonderful and caring Dr. My heart is broken that you are gone but I know that you are healed and will never be in pain again. I will see you again and I love you so very much. Karren Covington Welborn.



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**Karren Welborn** - August 10, 2024 at 01:17 AM

 Asa  
Drake

“ I love you, dad. I always have. So very thankful I made this clear before you were gone. You have always and will always be missed.  
Your son

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**Asa Drake** - January 24, 2024 at 11:01 PM

VS

“ Uncle Bo to me, I will always cherish the childhood memories I have of you and be grateful for the times, although few, we were able to reconnect and spend time with you in Myrtle Beach. I'm so glad you were happy and at peace when the Lord called you home. His timing is perfect, even though for those you left behind it is so difficult and sad to now have to adjust to your (physical) absence and my prayers will continue to be with them at this sad time. I love you Uncle Bo!

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**Vicki Sanford** - January 16, 2024 at 12:39 PM

PW

“ *Charity, I offer my condolences in the loss of Dennis. I hope you find comfort in knowing others care and are praying for you during this difficult time. The Lord knows how much your heart is hurting.*

*Condolences to the family and friend.*

*Patsy Wightman*

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**Patsy Wightman** - January 11, 2024 at 05:57 PM

CH

“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



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**Charity Herring** - January 11, 2024 at 12:37 PM

BK

“ *3 files added to the tribute wall*



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**Brandy Kim** - January 10, 2024 at 05:48 PM

BD

“ *Dennis, I hope you are Resting in Peace and pain free. Thank you for everything you did for Brooke and myself during our years together. You will certainly be missed by many people that were touched by your kindness.*

*Beverly Drake*

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**Beverly Drake** - January 10, 2024 at 06:50 AM

PS

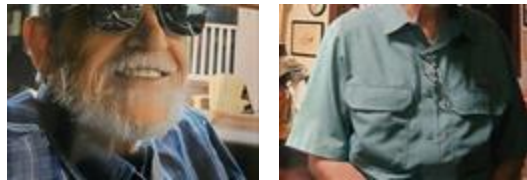
“ *Dennis was a kind gentle soul. I always enjoyed his calmness and his wit. May God be with his family.*

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**Pebbles Stewart** - January 10, 2024 at 12:01 AM

CH

“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



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**Charity Herring** - January 09, 2024 at 09:20 PM

JL

*Good Pictures of Dennis! So sad, he was such a thoughtful, generous man! He had one of the biggest hearts to anyone who knew him. 😭😭!*  
*Judy Livesay*

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**Judy Livesay** - January 09, 2024 at 10:15 PM

CH

“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



Charity Herring - January 09, 2024 at 09:11 PM

BB

“ 9 files added to the tribute wall



Brooke Buonomo - January 09, 2024 at 08:49 PM

BK

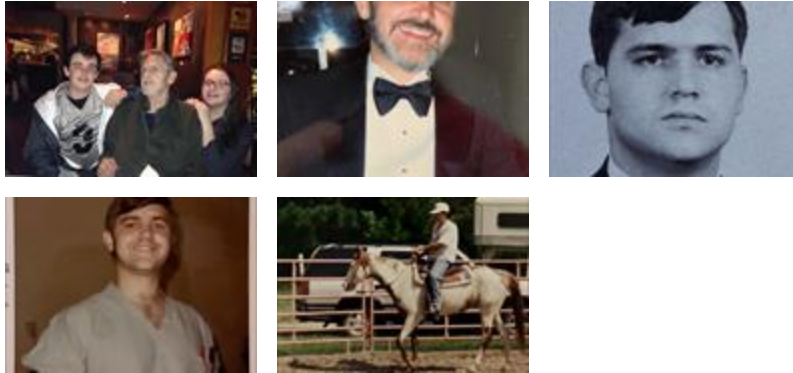
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Brandy Kim - January 09, 2024 at 08:31 PM

CC

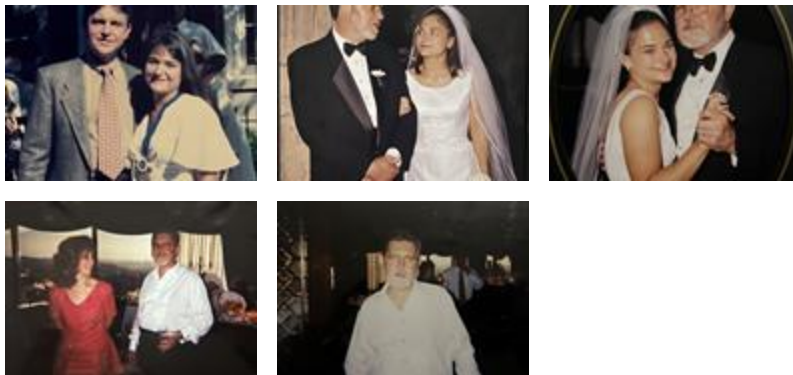
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Casey Coffey - January 09, 2024 at 08:29 PM

BK

“ 10 files added to the tribute wall



Brandy Kim - January 09, 2024 at 08:25 PM

RD

“ So many fond memories of late nights with you. No one could match your charm. We will meet again Sunshine!

Robin Reeves Day - January 09, 2024 at 11:36 AM

PK

“ *My sweet Dr. Drake-Thanks for the many years of fun & laughter! You always made call nights a little more tolerable with your silly side (even though we had to come wake you up in your office half the time). Haha! I hope you find peace & love in heaven amongst the angels!*  
*Pam Klisures*

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**pam klisures** - January 09, 2024 at 09:07 AM

RB

“ *Rhonda Butler lit a candle in memory of Dennis A. Drake M.D.*



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**Rhonda Butler** - January 08, 2024 at 07:58 PM



“ *Dr. Drake was one of the smartest, funniest men I knew! He was always teaching us things and making us laugh! He will truly be missed!*

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**Vicki Ward** - January 08, 2024 at 05:23 PM

JG

“ *Dr. Drake was a kind, caring person. As a nurse at CMC, when an anesthesiologist was needed, I was always glad to see Dr. Drake. My deepest sympathy to Charity and Dr. Drake's family.*

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**Judy Gladson** - January 08, 2024 at 03:19 PM

CH

“ My heart is broken. Thank you for the joy and happiness you brought in my life. I will love you forever and hold you in my heart forever. I am so grateful for all that we shared. You are my miracle. May Jesus keep you in His arms. You showed me how to find true love for the second time when we needed each other the most. Your Christmas angel, Charity

Charity Herring - January 08, 2024 at 01:00 PM

BB

A very good anesthesiologist who cared about his patients. He will be missed

Barbara Bryant - January 08, 2024 at 09:19 PM

TJ

Such a wonderful person and awesome anesthesiologist. It was always a joy to work with him. He will be dearly missed. Prayers for Charity and his family.

Teresa Johnson - January 08, 2024 at 10:11 PM



Dr. Drake was an excellent doctor and anesthesiologist. He was so smart, and shared his knowledge and humor with all who worked with him. He was kind and caring to his patients. As a nurse at Conway Hospital, I worked with him a lot, and he was an excellent teacher. He will be greatly missed. My prayers go out to Charity and his family.

Frances Thomas - January 08, 2024 at 10:55 PM

RB

Dr. Drake was a wonderful doctor. He was a joy to work with at CMC. Prayers for Charity and the entire family.

Rhonda Butler - January 09, 2024 at 09:47 AM

RD

My heart breaks hearing this. Dr. Drake you were so good. It was such a joy to work with you. So long Sunshine!

Robin Reeves Day - January 09, 2024 at 11:30 AM

GC

*Dr. Drake was a wonderful doctor. He truly cared for his patients. I worked with him at CMC for many years and always respected him. My prayers for Charity and his family.*

**Glynes Canady** - January 09, 2024 at 12:52 PM

TC

*Dr Drake was such a wonderful doctor, humanitarian. He really cared about his patients. I was a nurse at CMC but also his pt. His sense of humor was contagious. Charity and family, may God comfort you.*

**Terri Cooper** - January 09, 2024 at 01:24 PM

BR

*Dear Dr Drake, Thanks for taking time and care teaching me as a PACU newbie. It was always a pleasure to work with you especially on call. You were never far away. Praying for my dear friend Charity and Dr. Drakes family. May God comfort you and give you peace.*

**Beth Edwards, RN** - January 09, 2024 at 04:45 PM

DR

*I have fond memories of many laughs from your jokes and remarks especially when on call in the OR. You were a kind, compassionate physician who took pride in his work, and enjoyed teaching others. My condolences to Charity and your family.*

**Dawn Lyles, RN** - January 13, 2024 at 04:35 PM