



## Henry Douglas Williams

October 23, 1945 - April 22, 2025

Conway...

It is with deep sorrow that we announce the passing of Henry "Doug" Williams, age 79, who passed away peacefully on April 22, 2025 with loved ones present.

Born in Greenville, SC to Cylda and Mary Williams, Doug lived a life marked by service, devotion, and love for his family and friends. After graduating high school, he attended Clemson University before deciding to enlist in the United States Navy. After being honorably discharged Doug earned his Masters degree in Speech Pathology from Old Dominion University in Virginia. Doug then returned to his hometown to assist his family. It was here that he would meet and marry the love of his life, Raylene.

After the birth of their first child, the family relocated to Conway where Doug took a position with Horry County Schools as the Director of Psychological Services. The family set their religious foundation through Trinity UMC and remained members for over four decades, which also led to Doug's renewed involvement in Boy Scouts of America with his sons. Through this he mentored countless young men to be leaders and patriots, most claiming him as "Mr. Doug". This included all three sons earning their Eagle (just like their Dad). During his tenure with Scouting, Doug was awarded both the Vigil Honor in the Order of the Arrow, Santee Lodge 116, and the Silver Beaver

Award, the highest honor a Council can give to an adult volunteer.

After a change to private clinical practice for several years, Doug returned to public works as Department Chair and a special needs educator at Carolina Forest High School, further impacting the lives of young people for the better. Upon retirement, he worked extensively with the American Legion Post 111 in both participatory and leadership roles, assisting other veterans and embracing that community. He also had more time to passionately support the Clemson Tigers, donning the orange and white to cheer for his "Cardiac Cats" and sharing these moments with his sons.

Doug's legacy of commitment, perseverance, and love for his family will live on in their hearts and in the countless lives he has touched. He will be remembered as a patriot, a leader, a Scout, an educator, and above all, as a beloved husband, father, grandfather, and brother. His was a life well-lived, and he will be deeply missed.

He is survived by his loving wife of over 50 years, Raylene; his brother Bryan (Debbie); his three sons Shawn (Angela), Greg (Amy), and Heath (Hayley); his claimed son Pete Robinson; his six grandchildren Morgan, Nora, Allison, Riley, Zachary, and Rowan; sisters-in-law Sue Ward and Susan (Pat) Marshall; nieces Sherry, Laura, Julia, Stacye, and Ginger; and nephews Chris and Drew. He is preceded in death by his sister Kaye Lunny.

A memorial will be held at a later date. The family would appreciate the sharing of any photos that you have with Doug to [hdwilliamsmemorial2025@gmail.com](mailto:hdwilliamsmemorial2025@gmail.com). Arrangements are being handled by Goldfinch Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests a donation to the American Legion, a veteran's group, the Boy Scouts, your local church, or your local school.

A visitation and memorial service will be held on Sunday, May, 18, 2025 at Trinity United Methodist from 2:00pm to 3:30pm.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 18. 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM (ET)

Trinity United Methodist Church  
198 Long Avenue  
Conway, SC 29526

# Tribute Wall

SB

“ *Marvin and I were so sad to hear of Doug's passing. He was a great neighbor and will be missed in the neighborhood. Sending our love and prayers to the family, Raylene, Marvin is down the street if you ever need him. Marvin and Sharon Burton* ”

Sharon Burton - May 20, 2025 at 12:53 PM

BM

“ *Brenda Murphy lit a candle in memory of Henry Douglas Williams* ”



Brenda Murphy - May 08, 2025 at 02:02 PM

JT

“ *Was so sad to learn of Doug's passing. I really liked him. He was a great neighbor. He will be sorely missed in Nottingham Lakes.* ”

James and Brenda Turner - May 02, 2025 at 02:35 PM

MA

“ *A great Scout, he will be missed.* ”

MaryM - May 02, 2025 at 07:44 AM

DB

*Doug was a great neighbor , a loving husband & my “Mazda “ buddy . He & I talked almost everyday as I passed by on my daily walk, reminiscing about our teaching careers , the seafood we enjoyed & our shared love of Norfolk, Virginia, where I was born & raised & Doug remembered well from his military service & time at ODU . We even pored over old ODU yearbooks together , gossiping about folks we knew & remembered . I'll look forward to expressing my sympathies to his family in person at the upcoming service. Rest in peace Doug - a life well lived ! Deb Breede*

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**Deb Breede** - May 02, 2025 at 05:27 PM

KA

“ Our sincere condolences for the loss of your loved one. May 'the God of all comfort' be with your family at this difficult time. Isaiah 41:10

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**Kathryn** - May 01, 2025 at 05:40 PM

KW

“ Greg, I am in prayer for you and all your family members. Your daddy meant so much to me! I will definitely attend his service to celebrate his going home to Heaven where there will be many Angels welcoming him home.  
Ruthie and Kevin Warren

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**Kevin and Ruthie Warren** - April 30, 2025 at 12:37 PM

BU

“ I met Doug and his boys through Boy Scouts,,,,, he was a good man and he will be missed,,,,,RIP Doug!

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**Bob Urban** - April 29, 2025 at 09:45 PM

DU

“ Lisa and I have been neighbors for 38 years with Doug and Raylene. I Was active duty Air Force when we moved next door. We had great friends and neighbors in the Air Force but our family couldn't ask for better neighbors here in Conway. Raylene Doug and family. We couldn't love you any more. We will miss Doug dearly. We are next door. If we can do anything for yall let us know. God Bless you all and we are praying for all of you!❤️



*Don & Lisa Urban*

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**Donald Urban** - April 29, 2025 at 06:40 PM



*Thank you both for being such incredible neighbors and friends to my dad and family. God truly blessed us when you moved in next door.*

**Greg Williams** - April 29, 2025 at 07:14 PM

DE

“ Doug Edwards lit a candle in memory of Henry Douglas Williams



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**Doug Edwards** - April 29, 2025 at 03:39 PM