



## John Lea Sally, III

May 9, 1954 - June 19, 2016

Murrells Inlet....John Lea Sally III

John Lea Sally III, age 62, died Sunday, June 19, 2016 at Tideland's Waccamaw Community Hospital.

Born in Durham, NC, he was a son of the late Betty and John Lea Sally Jr. John loved spending time with his family, working in his yard and snow skiing. He was known for his caring nature and loving heart. His greatest joy was to serve others. He started the Belin Memorial United Methodist Church blood drive and was also instrumental in establishing the children's basketball program, in which hundreds have participated. Each Sunday evening he could be found volunteering as a leader with the youth groups at Belin.

Survivors include his wife, Stephanie Sally of Murrells Inlet; children, John Grayson Lea Sally IV (his wife Mace) and Ian Palmer Sally; sisters, Linda Coats and RuthAnn Marenyi and a brother, Jim Sally. He had numerous nieces, nephews and cousins with whom he maintained close relationships. A memorial service will be held at 3:00 PM Thursday, June 23, 2016 at Belin Memorial United Methodist Church. The family will receive friends from 5:00-7:00 PM Wednesday at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Red Cross: 3681 Renee Drive, Unit 4, Myrtle Beach, SC 29579.

Sign an online guestbook at [www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com/obituaries](http://www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com/obituaries)

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.



# Tribute Wall



“ Goldfinch Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of John Lea Sally, III



Goldfinch Funeral Home - June 22, 2016 at 07:57 AM

JJ

*Dear Stephanie and Family,  
I am so sorry for your loss and hope the family is recovering from this.  
The memorial was wonderful. Best wishes to you and your family.*

Joe Johnson - June 25, 2016 at 08:31 PM

SS

“ Starlene Schafer lit a candle in memory of John Lea Sally, III



starlene schaffer - June 26, 2016 at 11:49 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of John Lea Sally, III.



June 23, 2016 at 10:50 AM

FF

“ Dear Stephanie and Family,

*Fred and I just learned of the loss of John. We both are so saddened and wanted to extend our prayers to you all. He is a memorable, good, intelligent loving personality. I am glad that we knew him.*

*Sincerely, Murph and Fred Fore*

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**Fred and Murph Fore** - June 23, 2016 at 09:21 AM

JS

“ *"Fair Winds and Following Seas"*

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**Jeff Swanson** - June 23, 2016 at 07:21 AM

DI

“ *I met John while through our children. Eric an Grayson wrestled together. I always admired the way he was always such a great example of what a Man should be to the boys....and the other fathers. Later when the Blood Drive started he would always call me to set up a time for me. I enjoyed every time I ever came in contact with him. I can honestly say he is one of the best men I have ever known. My prayers, tears, and love go out to the Sally family and especially to Stephanie and the boys. God must have wanted a favorite Son home for Fathers day.*

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**Don Perry II** - June 21, 2016 at 09:50 PM

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“ As an older cousin, I first knew John as a very handsome child and young man. And since we lived in Virginia as adults, our paths did not cross often. Recently family events have given us the opportunity to know him as an adult. It has been a pleasure to know him, if even a little.

We send our prayers and thoughts to Stephanie, Grayson and Palmer.

Fred, Nancy (Coble), Kate and David Damon

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**Nancy Damon** - June 21, 2016 at 07:31 PM

 Joyce  
Davis  
O'Ryan

“ Stephanie, my heart aches for you and the boys. I am so sorry for your loss. Please know that I will keep your family in my prayers.  
Joyce O'Ryan.



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**Joyce Davis O'Ryan** - June 21, 2016 at 04:43 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of John Lea Sally, III.



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June 21, 2016 at 04:24 PM

LB

“ Dear sweet Stephanie, you and the family are in our prayers. May loving memories carry you through these difficult times. Let us know if there is anything we can help you with. Love and hugs to you,  
Linda and Frank Beckham

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**Linda Beckham** - June 21, 2016 at 03:50 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John Lea Sally, III.



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June 21, 2016 at 12:01 PM



“ I met John 25 years ago while building old south golf links Close to Hilton Head,,, he was selling Golf products and helped us growing in some of the golf course,,, it has been several years since I've seen John, we had a lot of good times and memories that I will have forever,,, I'm sorry for your loss,,, I have never met Johns sons but I am so sorry your father has passed,

Rob Headlee

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Rob Headlee - June 21, 2016 at 09:31 AM



“ Dear Sttephanie So sorry to hear about John WWe have missed him and you at Belin He was too young to die.We used to see him at Belin breakfast He was always verry nice. We sure do miss you.Our choir sure does need your strong voice. You have a beautiful leading voice.Hope your handsome boys are doing good Hope you will continue to come to Church I would love to do something to help you and the family.Are you still at the drugstore? Hope to see you soon.Please contact me. Love Chloie and Ron kinney

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chloie kinney - June 21, 2016 at 09:01 AM

MF

“ I have been out of town and heard this terrible news. Sally I am so sorry for your loss and to your boys. John was always a good friend to me and I will and have miss our long talks. My heart goes out to you and yours during this time.

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**Mark Dean Fitzgerald** - June 21, 2016 at 08:05 AM

OD

“ So sorry Stephenie. I did not know John but know he will be missed. He is now with his heavenly Father. My love and prayers are with all of you.

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**Olivia Dorman** - June 21, 2016 at 07:43 AM



“ John was a gentle soul, and I will remember his passion for the elderly, many of whom became his friends. He adored his sons and enjoyed working in his yard with them. He also loved little children, who gravitated to him. I loved him.

*Pollye Griffith*

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**Pollye Griffith** - June 21, 2016 at 06:45 AM

CC

“ Stephanie, Grayson and Palmer, I am so sorry to hear about John. I know you are devastated by him passing. My heart goes out to you all. I always enjoyed sitting and talking with you guys while our boys were on the soccer field. Those were some good memories. It was a pleasure to get to know your family and I know you will miss the great man he was. Cyrus, Cedric and I extend our love and prayers to you.

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**Chuck Corbett** - June 21, 2016 at 05:38 AM



“ Stephanie, my heart cries for you. What a great loss. I can not even imagine. I am deeply sorry for you loss. Please know you and your family are in my thoughts.  
George McCloskey

George McCloskey - June 20, 2016 at 10:47 PM



“ John was so kind to me during my grief. He arranged food for me during my knee surgery. He was so kind to all the widows in our disciple class. To Stephamie and family I am so very sorry for your loss.

Pat Erdman - June 20, 2016 at 08:30 PM



“ Sally Family reunion 2002



Betsy Mebane - June 20, 2016 at 06:06 PM



“ So many memories! Loved babysitting and watching all the Sally kids - Johnny, Sissie, Jimmy, RuthAnn - grow up. Such a fine family with wonderful parents and children that grew into loving and caring adults. Very proud to call John Sally my cousin!



Betsy Mebane - June 20, 2016 at 05:57 PM

PS

*Stephanie Grayson and Palmer  
We are saddened to hear of your loss of John.  
You are all in our thoughts and prayers.  
Much love,  
The Sweeney's  
Phillip, Linda and Axel*

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**Phillip, Linda and Axel Sweeney** - June 21, 2016 at 04:58 AM

FB

*What an honor to be have been called John's friend; What a gift to have had him by our family's side when life's journey brought hardship; What a treasure to have had his humor, wisdom, and spirituality touch our lives; but most of all, what a joy to know that his dedication to family and friends, his perseverance, and his devout faith in his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, which he so openly shared with us all, have taken him home adorned in peace, grace, mercy, and the greatest love of all.*

*May God be with you all, keep you strong, and bring you peace,  
Frances Bisby*

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**Frances Bisby** - June 21, 2016 at 06:43 AM

MH

*Stephanie, Richard and I are sadden by your loss! You and the boys will continue to be in our thoughts and prayers. John was a dedicated man of God and we will all miss him! Myra Heath*

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**Myra Heath** - June 21, 2016 at 11:01 AM

PV

*Our heartfelt condolences to the entire Sally family. John was deeply admired and respected by all of us at Wells Fargo in Murrells Inlet.*

*Paul, John, Becky and the entire team are deeply saddened and will continue to keep you in our thoughts and prayers.*

*May the peace of God that surpasses all understanding be with you now and always.*

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**Paul Vallee** - June 22, 2016 at 03:37 PM