



Richard Singleton

February 6, 1924 - August 6, 2011

Richard Grant Singleton, Sr., died August 5, 2011.

He was born on February 6, 1924, at Conway SC, the son of the late Samuel G. Singleton and the late Florence Augusta Edwards Singleton. He was predeceased by his wife of 55 years of marriage, Elizabeth Goldfinch Singleton; his brother, Joseph Edwards Singleton of Myrtle Beach SC; and a sister, Elizabeth S. Richardson of Orangeburg SC.

He is survived by his three children: Elizabeth Choate of Columbia SC, Richard G. Singleton II of Myrtle Beach, and David F. Singleton Sr. of Myrtle Beach, and by their spouses, David Choate, Margaret Bathen Singleton, and Mary Page Smith Singleton, respectively; and by his grandchildren, Genevieve Elizabeth Choate of Columbia; Erin Elizabeth Singleton, Margaret Eileen Singleton, and Richard Grant Singleton, III, all of Myrtle Beach; and David F. Singleton Jr., and Jewell Singleton McCoy, and their respective spouses Emily Huffman Singleton and O'Neil McCoy, all of Myrtle Beach.

He attended Clemson University until he volunteered to serve in the U.S. Air Force during World War II. During World War II he served as a 2nd Lt. in the U.S. Air Force, earning his wings as fighter pilot and his wings as a flight engineer. After World War II he attended the University of South Carolina and the University of S.C. School of Law and New York University School of Law. He obtained a Juris Doctor degree, cum laude, from USC School of Law in 1949 and a Master of Laws degree from NYU School of Law in 1951. He was a member of the Wig and Robe Legal Honor Society, the S.C. Bar

Association, the Horry County Bar Association, the American Bar Association, and the International Bar Association.

In 1952 he and his brother created the law firm of Singleton & Singleton, opening an office in Conway SC, and a few years later an office in Myrtle Beach SC. He retired from the practice of law in 1983 after 35 years. Since that time he has continued to be active in numerous business ventures.

He was a member of the Myrtle Beach First United Methodist Church and formerly a member of the First United Methodist Church of Conway SC, where he served as a member of the Board of Trustees and the Administrative Board and served as Church School Superintendent.

He served his community and his country in numerous capacities, among them, Chairman of the Conway Grammar and High School boards, member of the Horry County Development Board, member of the Horry County Airport Commission, member of Horry County Library Board, Horry County attorney, member of the Horry County Legislative Committee, member and chairman of the Horry County Planning and Zoning Commission, President of the Conway Kiwanis Club, Lt. Gov. of the 10th Division of the Carolinas Kiwanis District, member of the Ocean View Memorial Foundation Board, member of the Horry-Georgetown Technical College Foundation Board, member of the Winthrop University Board of Visitors, member of the Coastal Carolina University faculty, President of the Coastal Carolina University Educational Foundation, member of the S.C. Advisory Council of Higher Education, member of the S.C. Commission on the Future of South Carolina, and member of the initial South Carolina Coastal Council. He was a member of the Dunes Golf and Beach Club in Myrtle Beach SC.

In his later years he applied his talent as a portrait and landscape artist and as a sculptor in composite bronze and stone.

A memorial service will be held Tuesday, August 9, 2011, at 11:00 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Myrtle Beach. The family will receive guests at the church following the service.

It is suggested that any memorials be sent to the Summer Camp Endowment,

First United Methodist Church, 901 North Kings Highway, Myrtle Beach SC
29577.

Please sign a guestbook at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

Previous Events

Service

AUG 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

First United Methodist Church of Myrtle Beach
901 North Kings Highway
Myrtle Beach, SC 29577
(843) 448-7164
<http://www.fumcmb.org>

Tribute Wall

BH

“ Rich, my thoughts are with you and the family. I admired your dad, and I know Mom thought the world of him. Another Horry County original has passed.

Bill Hamilton - August 14, 2011 at 02:08 PM

MM

“ Although we only met Grant last October on a European cruise, we became fast friends with him and Muriel. While most of our group was ahead of us touring the sites, we lagged a bit behind with Grant and Muriel who told us stories and kept us laughing all the way. We met many wonderful new friends on this trip, but we continued to talk about Grant and all of his talent, wisdom and love of life. Our brief friendship with Grant has left an indelible print on our lives that will motivate us forever to make the most of what God has given us and the time with which we have to use it. Thank you Grant, we will miss you.

*Mike and Beth Marcis
Myrtle Beach*

Mike and Beth Marcis - August 08, 2011 at 08:01 PM

DL

“ David & Mary Page (& family),
Gary and I are so very sorry to hear about Mr. Singleton. He and your mother were very kind and special people. Please accept our most heartfelt sympathies for your loss and know that our thoughts are with you and your family during this difficult time. May your heart and soul find peace and comfort during this time.

*Love, dglong@sccoast.net
Gary & Debbie Long*

debbie long - August 08, 2011 at 11:35 AM

MH

“ *Richard,
We were so sorry to hear of your father's death. We know that he
was a beloved part of your family. Our sympathy goes to you,
Margaret, Erin, Meg, Grant, and the rest of your family.
Sincerely,
Molly & Bill Halasz*

Molly Halasz - August 08, 2011 at 05:32 AM

PA

“ *Betsy, I am so sorry to learn of your father's passing. My mom and
dad join me in expressing our condolences to you and your
brothers. I will have the fond memory of Mama and me stopping by
last summer, visiting with your dad briefly and seeing his
extraordinary art pieces. What an enormously talented man! He
seemed to be doing so well. Our thoughts and prayers will be with
you now and in the coming days. Your parents lived their lives well
and will be fondly remembered by all who knew them.
Paula Vaught Adams*

Paula Vaught Adams - August 07, 2011 at 11:40 PM

DS

“ *Grant was our beloved friend forever. We will miss him dearly. Love
to Betsy, Richard and David.*

Birdie and Ed

Dr. and Mrs. Edward L. Proctor, Sr - August 07, 2011 at 03:17 PM

JM

“ Grant was always there and willing to share with our many friends from Russia. He attended so many parties at our house and opened his own home to share his art with the Russian students who were here for the summer. My fondest memory is staying at Victor and Tatiana's home in Russia and the wonderful cruise that we had together from Moscow to St. Petersburg. Grant, you added another dimension to our lives and we will miss you so much. Thank you for sharing yourself.
Jim and Ginny Simmons and Margaret Gill



James and Virginia Simmons and Margaret - August 07, 2011 at 10:59 AM

PC

“ Mr. Singleton was the best dressed Attorney in Myrtle Beach. He served me, my family and our businesses on many occasions. We have known and appreciated the friendship for over 30 years. Our condolences go out to his family.
Pana

Pana Christopher - August 07, 2011 at 07:52 AM

WG

“ grant i wil miss our talks, u said u hoped you would be remembered for something you did and you will always be remembered in my heart, i will always cherish those talks and the knowledge you shared with me. i am so lucky to have you in my life if only for a short time

wanda gunsallus - August 07, 2011 at 07:41 AM