



Tommy Rowell

December 8, 1943 - June 28, 2025

Conway.... Tommy Earl Rowell age 81, passed away on Saturday, June 28, 2025.

Mr. Rowell was born on December 8, 1943 in Loris, SC, a son of the late Gar Lee and Eva Evelyn Strickland Rowell. An entrepreneur at heart, Tommy was a career route salesman, but also managed his own grocery and general stores. Tommy never met a stranger—his gift for conversation and genuine warmth made everyone feel like family. He was always the first to offer a helping hand, willing to go any distance for anyone in need. He was deeply loved for the kindness he poured into the world, and the love he gave so freely lives on in all who knew him. In addition to his parents, Mr. Rowell was predeceased by his daughter Margo "GoGo" Rowell, three brothers, Jimmy Rowell, Roger Rowell, Jerry Rowell, and three sisters, Eunice Soles, Margaret Herring, and Geraldine Shultz.

Surviving are: his wife of 59 years, Mary Jane Rowell of Conway; two sons, Tracy Rowell (Nancy) of Georgetown, SC and Ryan Rowell of Conway; two daughters, Dr. Angela Rush (Rick) of Mt. Pleasant, SC and Debbie Barnhill (Robbie) of Loris, SC; nine grandchildren, six great grandchildren; and two great great grandchildren; one brother, Dewey Lee Rowell (Sara) of Georgia; one sister, Joyce Ann Buffkin (Wayne) of Chadbourn, NC; and a special niece, Tammy Cox of Green Sea, SC.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 PM Wednesday from Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel with Rev. Myron Pritchard officiating. Burial will follow and will be private.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 1:00 until 2:00 PM Wednesday.

Memorials may be sent to St. Jude's Children's Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or to Tunnel to Towers Foundation, 2361 Hylan Boulevard, Staten Island, NY 10306 or to the Omar Shriners 176 Patriots Point Road, Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464.

Sign an online guestbook at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com

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

Cemetery Details

Twin City Memorial Gardens

1830 Highway 701 North
P.O. Box 1384
Loris, SC 29569

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 2. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel
606-610 Beaty Street
Conway, SC 29526

Funeral Service

JUL 2. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

CH

“ We are saddened to hear of Tommy's passing. CH worked with him for many years and he was always a great friend . CH has had some serious health problems but he still remembers Tommy. God Bless his family ! CH and Gail Hill

CH and Gail Hill - July 10, 2025 at 11:34 AM

CE

“ Cape Endeavors purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Tommy Rowell.



Cape Endeavors - July 02, 2025 at 09:59 AM

KF

“ Kendel, Kim, Chub and families purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Tommy Rowell.



Kendel, Kim, Chub and families - July 01, 2025 at 06:03 PM

KF

“ Kendel, Kim, Chub and families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Tommy Rowell.

Kendel, Kim, Chub and families - July 01, 2025 at 06:03 PM

JO

“ Jose and Bridget Orlandi purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Tommy Rowell.



Jose and Bridget Orlandi - July 01, 2025 at 05:43 PM

KG

“ Kay Graham lit a candle in memory of Tommy Rowell



Kay Graham - July 01, 2025 at 04:37 PM

KG

Indeed Mr. Tommy never meet a stranger. I will always remember the day he helped me unlock my car that I had left running at the Tiger Mart in Conway. My condolences to all who loved him.

Kay Graham - July 01, 2025 at 04:41 PM

JM

“ John Marlowe lit a candle in memory of Tommy Rowell



John Marlowe - July 01, 2025 at 04:21 PM

MC

“ I was so saddened to hear about the passing of your father. My deepest condolences to you and your family. Please know that I'm thinking of you during this difficult time and am here if you need anything at all. Coach Cieri

Michael A Cieri - July 01, 2025 at 12:03 PM

BH

From Billy Hunter
I'm saddened to hear of Tommy's passing.
I was so looking forward to reconnecting with him after 50 years or so .
My heart goes out to Mary Jane whom I was looking forward to meet .
Tommy was an incredible friend to me. Only I could tell the true story of how he enriched my life .
God bless the family for we have lost a treasure of a man .
I knew him since 1962 .Rest in peace my dear friend & I will see you on the other side soon

Billy Hunter - July 01, 2025 at 11:06 PM

SH

“ Mrs Mary, Ryan and dear family,
I remember when I was growing up in MB hanging out at the Pig/Wig store. Wasn't nothing like a Jacks Hi -5's and other Jacks cookies. I also remember Moores Chips . Good man . He will be missed.

Steve Harrington - June 30, 2025 at 10:05 PM

GG

“ Debbie and family. Sorry to hear about your Dad passing. Prayers for you and family. Gene and Pat Gerald

Gene & Pat Gerald - June 30, 2025 at 03:19 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Tommy Rowell.



June 30, 2025 at 01:17 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Tommy Rowell.

June 30, 2025 at 01:17 PM



“ *In Loving Memory of Tommy Rowell
Beloved Father, Father-in-Law, and Friend*

I only had the opportunity to meet Tommy Rowell in person once, when he kindly brought a cake to my house. It was a brief moment that left a lasting impression. He carried himself with warmth and kindness, the kind of quiet presence that speaks volumes.

But it's not just that one meeting that tells me who Tommy was. It's the stories. The ones Angela lovingly shared, filled with respect and admiration for her father. The ones Rick told, often with a smile and a chuckle, that brought Tommy's humor and spirit to life. And the stories Jerry would recount of times shared between brothers, moments that painted a picture of a life rich with character, laughter, and love.

It's clear Tommy lived a life that touched so many others. His legacy lives on in his children, in their strength, their kindness, and in the way they love their families.

Beverley and I are so sorry for your loss. We offer our heartfelt prayers and hope that your memories of Tommy bring you comfort and peace in the days ahead. If there's anything we can do for you or your family, please don't hesitate to let us know.

*With deepest sympathy,
Bill and Beverley Hinson*

Bill Hinson - June 30, 2025 at 01:16 PM



“ Sweet Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Tommy Rowell.



June 30, 2025 at 12:30 PM



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“ Debbie and all the Rowell family, My heart goes out to you. My memories of Tommy will be forever engraved in my heart. As all the 70ish family members know I was Tommy's girlfriend way back when. Our two families were always together especially in the summertime. We all worked hard, played hard and loved hard growing up. My best memories are when we pooled coins so we could buy a gallon of gas for their old light blue Chevy and ride uptown to cruise Main Street. A dozen kids piled in the old car and no one had a drivers license. Jimmy always drove with four of us in the front street. Carefree and happy. As time passed we all grew up and went our separate ways. As adults, I would see Tommy from time to time and he always had a smile on his face; we reminisced about old times. We parted with hearty hug and loving wishes for a happy life. Tommy will always be remembered for his loving ways. Love and prayers to the family 🙏

Sybelia Vidal - June 30, 2025 at 10:43 AM



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“ *Tracy, I'm so sorry to hear of your dads passing , Praying for peace and comfort for you and all your family .God bless 🙏🙏🙏❤️❤️❤️*

Ruby manley - June 30, 2025 at 08:48 AM



“ *I'm so sorry about Tommy. I know your hearts are breaking and I'll keep you in my prayers.*

Doris Boyd Piver



Doris Piver - June 30, 2025 at 08:17 AM

BC

“ I’m sorry Ashley and family! I did not know your grandfather but from what I’ve read about him, he did leave a powerful legacy one of love, kindness, and one of doing unto others. May our Lord’s presence, comfort and peace be with you all during this time of your loss and heavens gain! ❤️🙏🦋 Betty Carr

Betty Carr - June 30, 2025 at 06:44 AM