



William Richardson

August 4, 1947 - August 3, 2014

Conway...Reverend William Alan Richardson, 66, of 5980 Highway 65 in Conway, passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, August 3, 2014.

Reverend Richardson was the son of Wilma Cooper Fitch and the late C.P. Richardson. The founder of Good Hope Apostolic Church, he worked tirelessly to promote and encourage the growth not only of Good Hope Apostolic Church, but also to spread The Gospel of Jesus Christ worldwide. Rev. Richardson is survived by his wife, Lana George Richardson, four children, Mary Elizabeth Cole (John) of Center Ossipee, New Hampshire, Melissa Richardson Sanders (Joey), Dixie Richardson Porter (Monty), and William Alan Richardson, Jr. (Kecia) all of Conway. His loving eight grandchildren include Amanda Nealey Coker, Melissa-Karoline Johnson (Caiden)), David Landon Jones, Savannah Jane Porter, Charleston Marie Porter, Kennedy Nichole Richardson, Elizabeth Alan Richardson, and Lily Faye Richardson; his four great-grandchildren are Trevor, Anna Joy, Mattox, and Melissa Sloan. Also surviving Reverend Richardson are his brother Carl Preston Richardson and niece Carla Richardson. Additionally, he is survived by his step-children, Darla George-Draper (Randy), and Douglas George (Tiffany), and seven step-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife of forty-four years, Jane Hardee Richardson.

Alan enjoyed life to the fullest. He enjoyed all aspects of God's wonderful world and found himself most content when involved with the things he loved most; his family, his farm, and his horses. He was a true man's man; he

thrived on the physical labor involved with his farm. Whether it was plowing the farmland with his mule, riding the tractor, or cutting wood to provide warmth for his family, Alan took advantage of every opportunity to live life. His farm and home were well-known as a favorite gathering place among friends; it was a rare day when he didn't have a neighbor or friend to visit with, laugh, and share stories. Alan consistently welcomed people from every walk of life into his heart, and that love was reflected on all who had the opportunity to know him. When his bright smile beamed, his blue eyes twinkled, and his rich voice said, "Praise the Lord," no doubt existed that one was definitely in the presence of the genuine Alan Richardson - because there will only ever be one. He was a true man of God.

A funeral will be held for Reverend Richardson at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, August 6, 2014, at Good Hope Apostolic Church on Highway 65 in Conway with Pastor Earl Chavis officiating. Burial will follow at the family farm.

The family will receive friends Tuesday evening from 6:00 - 8:00 PM at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel. Memorial donations may be made in loving memory of Rev. Richardson to Good Hope Apostolic Church, 5980 Highway 65, Conway, SC 29526.

Sign a guestbook at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com

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

Cemetery Details

Family Farm

Previous Events

Service

AUG 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

Good Hope Apostolic Church
6205 Hwy 65
Conway, SC 29526

Tribute Wall

CB

“ I am so sorry for the loss of Alan. He was a wonderful person alone with Jane. Loved them both. They were very both very special people. What a shock! God Bless you all.

Charlie Brown - August 19, 2014 at 01:41 PM

HH

“ I am always here for the family I love yall bunches Karen and heather are here for u always.

heather hardee - August 07, 2014 at 01:38 PM

KA

“ Wilma, Carl and family, we are so sorry for your loss of Alan. He was a good man and very friendly. He will always hold a dear place in our hearts.
The Bill Skipper Family

karen - August 07, 2014 at 11:50 AM

DJ

“ Dear Carl & Wilma, So sorry to hear about Alan. My thoughts are with you and I hope u know he is in heaven. Tell all the family I care. Love you and hope to see you sometime.
Doris Jenkins

Doris Jenkins - August 07, 2014 at 10:14 AM

EH

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you. May the Lord bring you comfort in the passing of Rev. Alan.
Lovingly,
Evelyn Hammond*

Evelyn Hammond - August 07, 2014 at 08:56 AM

MB

“ *I extend my heartfelt sympathy to the Richardson family. May those precious memories of your dear love one William be foremost in your hearts and minds along with this wonderful promise that Jesus made at John 5:28,29. Again, my sincere condolences.*

M B - August 07, 2014 at 07:37 AM

RJ

“ *Prayers to you Carl & Wilma I am sorry to hear of Alan's passing he was always fun to be around always had a blast & enjoyed the people around him and most of all the Lord Jesus Christ. I had not seen Alan in quiet sometime but he was always a favorite first cousin as is Carl we had a lot of fun as kids & I will always cherish those memories. I love you all and pray for his wonderful family. I know he is not sad but looking down with the Lord with a smile on his face & a twinkle in his eye. He will be missed by everyone he touched. I love y'all*

Rick Jenkins & Family

Rick Jenkins - August 06, 2014 at 09:21 PM

J.

“ Dear Richardson family, I was shocked and saddened to learn of the death of my classmate, Alan. We didn't see each other often, we would always enjoy talking to each other when we did meet. He always had a smile & laughter with a glow on his face if you talked about the Lord. Alan, he was truly a man's man and a man of God. Our thoughts and prayers will be with each of you in the days ahead. We hope you find comfort in knowing the number of lives that have been enriched because of Alan. He was truly a very special one of a kind man.
I pray that God will shower the family with His blessings as you go through this difficult time.
J.W. and Linda Suggs

J.W.Suggs - August 06, 2014 at 08:56 PM

PM

“ Understanding the loss of a family member but oh the rejoicing in heaven.

Patty Martin - August 06, 2014 at 09:57 AM

KC

“ So sorry to hear of your loss. Will be praying for the family.

Kevin and Nicole Capps - August 05, 2014 at 08:07 PM

NT

“ Preacher Alan was truly one a man that reflected God's Joy to each and every person he met. My prayers go to the family for comfort and peace during this time.

Nikki Tritle - August 05, 2014 at 07:17 PM

AF

“ So sorry to hear of your lost !!!! Preacher Allen was a very nice man to my family and I as a matter of fact , he was just praying for us the other Sunday !!!! I really am going to miss thAt man God has taken the perfect angel home to be with him !!!!!

Amy Huggins & family - August 05, 2014 at 04:45 PM

JA

“ Dear Richardson family, I was shocked and saddened to learn of the death of my classmate. Although we didn't see each other often, we would always catch up with each other quickly when we did meet. As the obit. so eloquently described Alan, he was truly a man's man and a man of God. May God add His blessings as you go through this difficult time.

Johnny C. and Rachel Allen - August 05, 2014 at 04:18 PM

SM

“ Sue McClellan lit a candle in memory of William Richardson



Sue McClellan - August 05, 2014 at 01:05 PM

CK

“ Our loss is heaven's gain and just one more reason to make it to the other side in peace with Jesus God bless Sister Lana and all the family.

Pastor Charles Krewson
Safe Harbor Apostolic Church

Charles Krewson - August 05, 2014 at 11:45 AM

SR

“ I have known Alan most of my life, grew up as teenagers together, went to Conway High School together. He was a wonderful man and i feel honored to have known him. I think he would have helped anyone who needed him. I know he is in the presence of the Lord now and is rejoicing to be home, He will be missed by everyone who had the privilege to have known him.

Shirley Richardson - August 05, 2014 at 11:13 AM

TS

“ OUR BEST MEMORY OF BRO. RICHARDSON ARE THE MANY TIMES WE WERE INMANY CHURCH SREVICES WITH HIM AND THE JOY WE HAD WHEN HE CAME TO VA. TO VISIT WITH HAZEL COMBS AND HER FAMILY. BRO RICHARDSON WAS A FIND BRO. IN THE LORD, WE ALL LEARNED TO LOVE AND APPERICATE HIS KINDNESS AND THE WORSHIP IN CHURCH WITH HIM. OUR THOUGHT AND PRAYERS SO TO HIS LOVING WIFE AND HIS FAMILY . THE RAMSEYS, STRAINS AND THE WILLS. (FAMILY OF HAZEL COMBS)

THE RAMSEYS FAMILY SINGERS - August 05, 2014 at 07:46 AM

JM

Preacher Alan, was a dear friend to me and my family. Remembered best with his overalls and smile that would illuminate a room. Preacher Alan was indeed a hard working, family man with a great love for the Lord as well as others. Prayers lifted for the family.

Jacque Medlin - August 05, 2014 at 05:16 PM

LW

“ *Lynda White lit a candle in memory of William Richardson*



Lynda White - August 05, 2014 at 07:28 AM

RI

“ *Rev. Ian Brander (Australian & former ALJC missionary to Japan) , I am saddened by the news of our Brother's passing from this temporal physical life into the eternal life. And am reminded in 1 Thessalonians 4:13 that we are not to sorry for those that sleep in Christ as we sorry for them that have not hope. So in saying that I will rejoice and thank God for the opportunity that our LORD gave both myself & Brother Peter Rastal to visit his church & family with Rev. Tom Fritchey .*

I was blessed to have been able to preach in his church and have fond memories .

Our brother invited us both to come and do some hunting and fishing and camping with him and his Indian friend . Assuring us that we would not forget our experience !

And both Brother Peter Rastal and myself often talk about our great desire to do just that. And the only sadness that I do genuinely have is now not having an opportunity to spend some more time with him and sharing some more good memories.

I guess we will have to wait for the resurrection of our bodies to once again have some fellowship sweet with our LORD and brethren.

Well done brother Richardson,

Sent from Newcastle , New South Wales Australia in the ' Deep South ' .

Brother Ian Brander

Rev. Ian - August 05, 2014 at 03:47 AM



“ *A New Sunrise Spray was purchased for the family of William Richardson.*



August 04, 2014 at 09:24 PM



“ *Alan was a true friend to me and a prayer warrior for me and my family. I will miss him dearly. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.*
Ronnie Cook

Ronnie Cook - August 04, 2014 at 06:47 PM



“ *Alan was a very special person and we are so sorry to hear this news. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you all.*
Ronnie and Candy Fowler

Candy Fowler - August 04, 2014 at 06:14 PM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of William Richardson.*



August 04, 2014 at 02:19 PM

FH

“ WE ARE SO SHOCKED AND SAD TO HEAR OF ONE OF OUR FOREVER FRIENDS PASSING..WE HAVE KNOWN HIM FOR SO LONG I CAN;T REMEMBER WHERE WE MET HIM. WE ALWAYS ENJOYED SO MUCH HIM STOPPING BY TO CHAT . HE WAS ALWAYS SO HAPPY WITH LIFE AND WITH OUR LORD. HE WAS SO VERY VERY VERY GOOD.. HE WILL BE MISSED BY MANY ..SUCH A LOSS TO GOD'.S WORK HERE ON EARTH. GOOD BY OLD FRIEND WE WILL SEE YOU IN HEAVEN FREDA AND JERRY HARDEE

FREDA HARDEE - August 04, 2014 at 01:01 PM

BG

“ *Brenda & Greg lit a candle in memory of William Richardson*



Brenda & Greg - August 04, 2014 at 09:44 AM

BR

We were honored to share time with Alan and Lana last month. A true man of God! "Loved hearing him pray."

Brenda - August 04, 2014 at 09:47 AM



“ I want to thank Rev. Alan for always opening the doors to his church and his heart. I was a guest several times at Good Hope and truly enjoyed the service and fellowship while I was there and being recognized outside of the church walls as well. I always felt the spirit of God even before entering the church. My heart goes out to his family and his still new bride. To Mrs. Richardson I hope you know the joy you brought and the void you filled in his life! . May God be with you all and bless you the remaining of your days here and find comfort in knowing that Rev. Alan is at the feet of our Father God!

Joe Ann Edge - August 04, 2014 at 09:31 AM

RG

“ Robin Goff lit a candle in memory of William Richardson



Robin Goff - August 04, 2014 at 09:27 AM

GJ

“ Dixie and family!
So shocked and saddened to hear about your Dad. You and your dear family are in our thoughts and prayers!



Glenda & David Johnson - August 04, 2014 at 09:01 AM

GI

“ George Oliver III lit a candle in memory of William Richardson



George Oliver III - August 04, 2014 at 07:35 AM

GI

*Our deepest sympathy to the Richardson family.
From everyone at Oliver's Restaurant, and
George III , Dawne , Carly, Mattison, Oliver, and
George Oliver, Jr.*

George Oliver III - August 04, 2014 at 07:44 AM

RF

“ *The family did a great job describing Alan in his obituary. I remember meeting him and Jane as a young boy with Joe Frank Hardee. We always looked up to him. He taught Joe Frank how to trick ride a horse. I didn't have as much gumption as they did~ Alan was amazing doing that! We camped out at one of the old farm houses as boys and played fox and hound around the campfire. He had a magnetic personality and was always an upbeat person. Several years ago, I saw him at the store. Him being from the old fashioned ways, I asked him if he had an old remedy for gnats! He thought a minute, looked at me, and said, "swat 'em~" I know you'll all miss him. He was such an anchor for your family. He could take practically nothing and make something good out of it. I believe he would say, just hold on to your memories, to each other, and the good Lord. We'll see our friend again soon. We love you all.*

Robert / Melda Ford - August 04, 2014 at 07:16 AM

BT

“ Sorry to hear about your lost, you all are in my thoughts and prayers.



Brenda Tyler - August 04, 2014 at 04:16 AM

BS

“ I am so sorry for your lost. God bless you and give you strength thru this time that has happen to your family , my heart is sadden because he touch all our life we miss him to.
love to you all. Barbara Stocks

Barbara Stocks - August 03, 2014 at 05:04 PM