



## Mr. Edwin "Ed" McNeely Guest III

September 23, 1945 - February 3, 2017

A celebration of the life of Mr. Edwin "Ed" McNeely Guest III, 71, will be held at 2 o'clock on Monday, February 6, 2017, at St. Luke United Methodist Church. The Rev. Gene Feagin will officiate, and the family will receive friends in the fellowship hall following the service. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the St. Luke United Methodist Church Mission Fund, 302 Dunlap Drive, Hartsville, SC 29550.

Mr. Guest died peacefully on Friday, February 3, 2017. Born in Charlotte, NC, he was the first born son of the late Edwin McNeely "Mac" Guest Jr. and Winston James Guest. He attended public schools in Laurinburg, NC and was an active member of First United Methodist Church. After receiving an Industrial Arts degree from N.C. State Univ, he taught school for a few years. During this time, he joined The National Guard. Following this he went to work for Fieldcrest Cannon Mills, where he was traffic manager for their truck fleet. This was a job he truly loved.

At the end of his career, he returned to Laurinburg to care for his elderly parents. It was during this time, that he and Anne rekindled their high school romance. They married in 2005 and settled in Hartsville. Ed was an extremely active member St. Luke United Methodist Church. He was in the chancel choir, played in the mountain dulcimer group and the chancel hand bells. He thoroughly enjoyed helping with Vacation Bible School and always liked to

donate several pints of his zucchini relish to be sold at the annual barbecue bake sale. Ed was always doing something at St. Luke. He once filled in as the church secretary for two months while the secretary's parents were ill, working five days a week. He also helped make school bags for UMCOR relief.

Ed LOVED Hartsville and everybody he talked to knew it. He couldn't say enough good things about the town and the people living there. He threw himself into helping others everywhere he went. He was one of Santa's helpers at the YMCA and Morrell's Nursing Home. He was very active in RENOFEST until his recent illness. He was active in too many areas to mention. Ed was everywhere and knew everybody. He loved people and loved making people happy.

Ed was a devoted father to his son, Neel and loving grandfather to Max. With his marriage to Anne, he gained another family who adored him: children Kevin, Molly and Patrick and granddaughters, Georgia and Charlotte. He always bragged on his family and how this "blended" family all got along with each other. They all loved Ed and will miss him every day. He was a good example of what a "good man" should be. He was kind, fair and affectionate. You knew when Ed loved you and he loved many.

Ed Guest will be missed by so many. God Bless you, Ed. May you rest in peace. Well done, my good and faithful servant.

He is survived by his loving wife, Anne Andrews Guest of Hartsville, SC; sons, E. M. "Neel" (Colleen) Guest IV of Raleigh, NC, Kevin (Clarissa) Vaughan of Charlotte, NC, Patrick (Melissa) Vaughan of Spruce Pine, NC; daughters, Molly (Ron) Kinney of Star, NC; brother, Fairley James (Joy) Guest of Laurinburg, NC; grandchildren, E. M. "Max" Guest V of Raleigh, NC, Charlotte Kinney of Star, NC, Georgia Kinney of Star, NC.



# Previous Events

## Service

FEB 6. 2:00 PM (ET)

St. Luke Methodist Church  
302 Dunlap Dr.  
Hartsville, SC

# Tribute Wall

AW

“ Anne, I am so sorry to hear about Ed's passing. He was a great guy and always had a smile. We will miss him. Al and Pam.

Al Williams - February 09, 2017 at 07:37 AM

RB

“ Dear Anne & family,  
So sorry for your loss. Our thoughts & prayers are with all of you.  
Richard & Dianne Brown

Richard & Dianne Brown - February 08, 2017 at 12:41 PM

MJ

“ Mark And Amy Johnson lit a candle in  
memory of Mr. Edwin "Ed" McNeely Guest III



Mark and Amy Johnson - February 06, 2017 at 08:10 PM

MT

“ I am truly saddened to hear about Ed's passing, he was such a nice man. I got to know him when I worked for a local pharmacy, so I saw him often. He always was happy and smiling and we had many good conversations. I love to talk and find peoples stories interesting, especially those who aren't originally from Hartsville so Ed and I had lots to talk about. The family will be in my thoughts and prayers.

Mandy Tyner - February 06, 2017 at 07:21 AM

RS

“ So sorry to hear about Ed's death. I knew him during our Fieldcrest days. The family will be in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Richard Strawhorn** - February 05, 2017 at 04:55 PM

JR

“ Anne and family, I am sorry to hear about ED. I worked with Ed at Fieldcrest. He was a good friend and a friendly working associate to all that met him during his time at Fieldcrest. He was always so happy and polite to everyone he met. My prayers are with you and your family.

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**Jim Riddle** - February 05, 2017 at 12:47 PM

PM

“ Anne, Neel and family,  
We are saddened to learn of your loss. We worked with Ed in Eden and will always remember him as a dedicated employee and friend to all. Our sincere sympathy to each of you.  
Pat & Don Matheson  
Greensboro, NC

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**Pat Matheson** - February 05, 2017 at 11:14 AM

PR

“ I had the pleasure of attending church with Ed in Eden. We played handbells in the same choir. He was always smiling and so giving. A truly great person. He will be missed but I know he is in heaven with Betty Penn planning what bell pieces to play.  
Deepest sympathies to his family at this time.

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**Pat Routh** - February 05, 2017 at 10:49 AM

FM

“ Dear Ed,  
I was surprised and saddened to hear of your passing. I just wanted you to know that the many co-workers and friends you made when working for Fieldcrest-Cannon in Eden NC will never forget you. You were smart, humble and kind to all and would go out of your way to help anyone. The last time I saw you and Anne was at the Martinsville VA racetrack several years ago and I was so glad to see you so happy. Anne and the family, please accept my condolences and may God accept Ed into his arms and bless us all.  
Fernard Moore, Eden, NC

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**Fernard Moore** - February 05, 2017 at 06:02 AM

LH

“ Larry Huggins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edwin "Ed" McNeely Guest III



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**Larry Huggins** - February 04, 2017 at 07:50 PM

BS

“ I was truly saddened to hear of Ed's passing. He is a great man who truly loved his Family and kept his friends close to his heart. I met Ed at Ocean Isle Beach where my Family formed a close bond with Ed and the entire Guest Clan. During those summers, I can remember sailing, fishing and playing horseshoes with Ed as we laughed and had fun on the beach, Those fond memories will be forever burned in my soul. To Ed, Neel, Anne and the rest of the Guest Family, prayers are flowing from the Spence Family. Rest in Peace Ed. We will all be together again some day!

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**Bill Spence** - February 04, 2017 at 05:01 PM

BS

“ *Blake & Jennie Sellers lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edwin "Ed" McNeely Guest III*



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**Blake & Jennie Sellers** - February 04, 2017 at 04:53 PM

PS

“ *Phil And Sara lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edwin "Ed" McNeely Guest III*



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**Phil and Sara** - February 04, 2017 at 04:23 PM

PS

*Anne, we are saddened by Ed's passing and know that the coming days will be difficult. Also know that our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

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**Phil and Sara** - February 04, 2017 at 04:26 PM

MK

“ *Neel praying for you and your family. In His love- The Koski Family*



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**Marcie Koski** - February 04, 2017 at 02:48 PM

BG

“ *Betty B Gainey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edwin "Ed" McNeely Guest III*



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**Betty B Gainey** - February 04, 2017 at 11:15 AM

BA

“ *I am so saddened by Ed's passing, yet I am so joyful that he is now with his Lord to whom he offered so much praise through his work with the St. Luke choir, his life, and his love for his fellow man. I will miss his humor and occasionally odd view of life. He was always so humble yet so encouraging of others. We loved him like a brother, and as John Donne once said a piece of our island has disappeared. May he rest in peace in God's arms while singing joyful songs of praise with the angels.*

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**Bob Abbott** - February 04, 2017 at 09:33 AM

WW

“ *These were two loving and much-loved members of our community. No matter where you saw them, they were always smiling and had a kind & personal word for everyone. I especially enjoyed working with them for years at RenoFest. The town of Hartsville will miss this gentle man in our presence & in our hearts. Anne, our prayers & love go out to you and all the family. We're here, should you need us.*

*Wayne & Harry Wallace*

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**Wayne S. Wallace** - February 04, 2017 at 08:49 AM

JB

“ Jeff & Carol Bryant lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edwin "Ed" McNeely Guest III



Jeff & Carol Bryant - February 04, 2017 at 08:39 AM

VN

“ Vern & Nancy lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edwin "Ed" McNeely Guest III



Vern & Nancy - February 04, 2017 at 08:15 AM

FC

“ Anne, just learned of Ed's passing. So sorry for your loss. Prayers and thoughts for you over the days ahead. Love you, Freida.

Freida Collins - February 04, 2017 at 07:41 AM

DD

“ Dink, Chris & Debbie lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edwin "Ed" McNeely Guest III



Dink, Chris & Debbie - February 04, 2017 at 07:23 AM

AW

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**ANDY WILLIAMS** - February 03, 2017 at 09:24 PM

AW

“ *Ed Guest, my beloved friend and friend to many in Darlington County, died this morning, after a brief but wicked illness. His wife Anne (on the left), texted me this morning with the news, and we have since talked by phone a couple of times. Ed Guest had absolutely no reason at all to love and support me, but he did. He went out of his way to be an encourager of mine, because God simply asked him to. I talked to him 3 weeks ago by phone, and we were laughing about my love for IGA lard and about something I had written on Facebook about Dollar General. He loved my page, and thought I was nuts....he was right. What do you say about a couple of great people that helped Andy Williams get to today, but thank you. So, to Anne I say thank you for sharing Ed with so many of us. Ed was Jesus Christ on parade, with suspenders and a husky laugh about life. I will miss him. He taught me a lot. He was loyal. He loved Hartsville. He loved people.....all people. He was good, just plain good. Life goes so damn fast. Darn it. See you again soon, Ed. ~ ANDY WILLIAMS*

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**ANDY WILLIAMS** - February 03, 2017 at 09:23 PM

Martha  
Seagle

“ *Martha Seagle lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edwin "Ed" McNeely Guest III*



Martha Seagle - February 03, 2017 at 09:10 PM

LN

“ *Laura And Ted Newman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edwin "Ed" McNeely Guest III*



Laura and Ted Newman - February 03, 2017 at 09:01 PM

RS

“ *Rebecca Skinner lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edwin "Ed" McNeely Guest III*



Rebecca Skinner - February 03, 2017 at 06:14 PM

RS

*The boys and I thought a lot of this gentlemen! He was such a blessing to my sons and to me at S. Luke and I am proud to have known him. Our thoughts and prayers are with you, now and I the days ahead. Love in Christ,  
Rebecca*

Rebecca Skinner - February 06, 2017 at 10:56 PM

TS

“ *The Sturdivants lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edwin "Ed" McNeely Guest III*



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**The Sturdivants** - February 03, 2017 at 05:26 PM

6C

“ *60 Minute Cleaners lit a candle in memory of Mr. Edwin "Ed" McNeely Guest III*



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**60 Minute Cleaners** - February 03, 2017 at 05:21 PM