



Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie

June 11, 1946 - June 2, 2012

Graveside services with Masonic rites for Fred Alexander Cromartie, 65, will be held at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, June 5, 2012 at Prospect United Methodist Church Cemetery. The Rev. Patricia Warden will officiate and Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home is serving the family. The family will receive friends Monday, June 4, 2012 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the residence, 1140 New Market Road. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Shriner's Hospital for Burned and Crippled Children, 950 W. Faris Rd., Greenville, SC 29605.

Mr. Cromartie passed away Saturday, June 2, 2012 after a short illness. Born in Hartsville, SC, he was a son of the late George and Laurie Ryon Watkins Cromartie. He married his high school sweetheart, Ann Gainey Cromartie, on June 11, 1965. He was a 1964 graduate of Hartsville High School and graduated Magna Cum Laude from Limestone College in 1984. Fred was employed by Sonoco Products Company for 37 years and retired in 2001. He was a lifelong resident of Hartsville and was involved in the Hartsville Jaycees and was a past president of the Hartsville Chapter. He was a member and past Worshipful Master of the Hartsville Masonic Lodge # 173, and was also a member of the Red Fez, Jolly Jeepsters, and Omar Shrine Club. For all that knew him, he had a love for cooking, traveling, restoring classic cars, and giving to anyone that needed a helping hand.

Surviving are his wife, Ann Gainey Cromartie of the home; daughters, Kim (Kenny) Andrews of Hartsville, SC, Carmen (Al Dean) Davis of Florence, SC;

grandchildren, Logan Andrews, Xander Davis, Maddox Davis, Isabella Davis; sister, Patsy Douglas; brother, William (Judith) Watkins; mother-in-law, Myrtle Gainey and a host of nieces, nephews and their spouses. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Jimmy Watkins; brother-in-law, James Douglas; father-in-law, Nolen Gainey.

Cemetery Details

Prospect Methodist Church Cemetery

740 Prospect Church Road
Hartsville, SC

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 4. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

the residence, 1140 New Market Road
1140 New Market Rd
Hartsville, SC 29550

Service

JUN 5. 11:00 AM (ET)

Prospect Methodist Church Cemetery
740 Prospect Church Road
Hartsville, SC

Tribute Wall

SM

“ *Ann and Family,
We are so sorry for your loss. We will keep your family in our
prayers.
Shirley and Wayne McCutchen*

Shirley McCutchen - June 16, 2012 at 09:00 PM

JL

“ *My deepest sympathies in your loss. Fred will be greatly missed.*

Joe Lavender - June 07, 2012 at 10:53 AM

LJ

“ *My deepest sympathies in your loss... I work
with Mr Fred's son-in-law Kenny
@(A.O.SMITH) and I have eaten many, many
good chicken bogs that he has cooked. I will
keep your family in my prayers...*



Libby Johnson - June 06, 2012 at 08:10 PM

LE

“ *You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Linda and Grady Edwards

Linda edwards - June 06, 2012 at 07:43 PM

BC

“ *Belinda D Copeland lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie*



Belinda D Copeland - June 05, 2012 at 05:11 PM

BC

To all of the family: May God surround you with His love during this time. Lifting you up in thoughts and prayers.

Belinda D Copeland - June 05, 2012 at 05:12 PM

LH

“ *Dear Ann and family, I am so sad about Fred...He was such a wonderful man. I have so many fun memories of our days in Jaycees together. My prayers and thoughts are with all of you.*
Linda Hyman

Linda Hyman - June 05, 2012 at 02:28 PM

JT

“ *Jenni And Nelson Tart lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie*



Jenni and Nelson Tart - June 05, 2012 at 01:35 PM

JG

“ *Johnie & Ann Graham lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie*



Johnie & Ann Graham - June 05, 2012 at 11:44 AM

LP

“ *Linda Price lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie*



Linda Price - June 05, 2012 at 09:56 AM

WH

“ *Carmen, Kim, Ann, I am thinking of you and praying that God will comfort you.*



Wendy Howard - June 05, 2012 at 09:37 AM

AG

“ *Angie Gainey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie*



Angie Gainey - June 05, 2012 at 09:34 AM

AB

“ Mrs. Cromartie, Kim, and Carmen,
I am very sorry to hear about Mr. Cromartie. I will keep your family
in my prayers.
Angie Bateman-McLaughlin

Angie Bateman-McLaughlin - June 05, 2012 at 09:31 AM

LH

“ Larry Huggins lit a candle in memory of Mr.
Fred Alexander Cromartie



Larry Huggins - June 05, 2012 at 09:26 AM

KB

“ Mr Fred was one of the sweetest people ever. He and Mrs Ann did
alot for our community. Much love from all of us at Carolina Printing
& Trophy, the Shriners will never be the same without our
FAVORITE Jeepster!

Kristin S. Bumgarner - June 05, 2012 at 09:15 AM

TI

“ Tanya Isgett lit a candle in memory of Mr.
Fred Alexander Cromartie



Tanya Isgett - June 05, 2012 at 09:10 AM

SM

“ There is no doubt that Fred will be missed for a long time. He loved being around people and people loved being around him. He and Ann made such a good couple. They were good team leaders and were always there when needed.

Sam and Fran Masters

Sam and Fran Masters - June 05, 2012 at 08:36 AM

BB

“ *Beth Billingsley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie*



Beth Billingsley - June 04, 2012 at 09:19 PM

AF

Just heard about Fred. So sorry for you. My thoughts and prayers are with you and the girls.

Annn Fulcher - June 05, 2012 at 04:00 PM

LM

“ *Lock McKinnon lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie*



Lock McKinnon - June 04, 2012 at 09:14 PM

ML

“ Dear Ann, Ms. Myrtle, Kim, and Carmen, I know your hearts are heavy with the sadness of your loss. Fred was a natural leader and will be greatly missed, not only in your family, but also in our community. It will take the combined efforts of many men to attempt to fill the shoes of Fred Cromartie.
Your family will be in our thoughts and prayers. God Bless you all.

Love,
Mel and Melissa Lloyd

Melissa Lloyd - June 04, 2012 at 08:13 PM

JG

“ I am so sorry to hear of Mr. Fred's passing. He always had a smile for everyone. Praying for all of you at this sad time.

Joanne Gainey - June 04, 2012 at 08:04 PM

MH

“ Ann, I am so very sorry for your loss. I know how your heart is breaking, but know that Fred is resting peacefully in the arms of God. My thoughts and prayers are with you, Kim and Carmen, and your family.

Marilyn Hyman
Rock Hill, SC

Marilyn T. Hyman - June 04, 2012 at 07:55 PM

IJ

“ Irene And Woody Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie



Irene and Woody johnson - June 04, 2012 at 07:54 PM

HM

“ Harry And Paula L Murph lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie



Harry and Paula L Murph - June 04, 2012 at 07:31 PM

DK

“ Don And Judy Norwood Knight lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie



Don and Judy Norwood Knight - June 04, 2012 at 07:14 PM

DK

Ann, and girls, we were so sorry to hear about your loss. I will be praying for you. Judy

Don and Judy Norwood Knight - June 04, 2012 at 07:15 PM

CJ

“ Calvin, Regina, Danielle & Dana Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie



Calvin, Regina, Danielle & Dana Johnson - June 04, 2012 at 06:30 PM

JB

“ Ann&Girls my heart aches for you,oh Fred was such a joy to know. He will be missed by all that knew and loved him. I am lifting all up in prayer.
Jill



Jill Beckham - June 04, 2012 at 04:49 PM

RA

“ R.L. And Judy Andrews lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie



R.L. and Judy Andrews - June 04, 2012 at 02:09 PM

MR

“ Ann and family, Fred was a truly great person! My life has been enriched by knowing him thru the Jaycees. We shared many laughs! May God touch each of your hearts knowing how many hearts Fred touched. Mike Rast

Mike Rast - June 04, 2012 at 01:16 PM

CS

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Fred was a great and thoughtful man, who cared about everyone around him. You are in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Chris Swett

Chris Swett - June 04, 2012 at 01:08 PM

WS

“ Mrs. Ann & Family, I am so sorry for your loss. Fred was a great man who trained many younger folks how to be a better Jaycee and person. I'll always remember seeing him at conventions or sitting and chatting after coming to Hartsville to pick up plaques. You all are in my thoughts and prayers!

Wes Spurrier - June 04, 2012 at 12:56 PM

RD

“ Steve and I were so sad to hear of Fred's passing. You all are in our prayers. He was always laughing and joking. He will be missed very much. Steve has many memories of his and Fred's "Sonoco" days.

Robin Duke - June 04, 2012 at 11:12 AM

WG

“ Fred Cromartie was a great man who will be missed by many. He was a very caring and devoted man who loved his family and friends. The sunday night group will miss you dearly, but we will never forget you. Ann we will be praying for you and your family. I will see you later my friend!

Wayne Gough

Wayne Gough - June 04, 2012 at 10:46 AM

FB

“ Fred and I were classmates in High School and friends all 66 years of our lives, and he is one of the few people I have know without an enemy. Always smiling, always outgoing, he serves as a perfect example of what a true friend and gentleman should be. You will be missed Fred.

Fletcher Biggs - June 04, 2012 at 10:38 AM

SF

“ Ann and family, we are very sorry for your loss. We will keep you all in our thoughts and prayers.
Shannon and Will Floyd

Shannon Floyd - June 04, 2012 at 10:34 AM

JR

“ Jeff Rhodes lit a candle in memory of Mr.
Fred Alexander Cromartie



Jeff Rhodes - June 04, 2012 at 10:11 AM

RC

“ A truly great man! I'm sorry I didn't get to say goodbye Uncle Fred.
Ron Copeland

Ron Copeland - June 04, 2012 at 10:07 AM

SG

“ *Sherry & Breanna Griggs lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie*



Sherry & Breanna Griggs - June 04, 2012 at 09:52 AM

CG

“ *Connee Grantham lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie*



Connee Grantham - June 04, 2012 at 09:42 AM

CG

Ann and family - my thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time

Connee Grantham - June 04, 2012 at 09:43 AM

RA

“ *Randal & Jean Atkinson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie*



Randal & Jean Atkinson - June 04, 2012 at 09:30 AM

BH

“ Bobby And Linda Hayden lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie



Bobby and Linda Hayden - June 04, 2012 at 08:54 AM

MG

“ Mike And Cynthia Gardner lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie



Mike and Cynthia Gardner - June 04, 2012 at 08:40 AM

VL

“ Ann, Kim and Carmen-I am so sorry to hear of Freds's passing. I remember so many good times over the years, especially the Christmas Eve family get togethers. I can only imagine the Heavenly reunion of Fred, Jimmy and Mrs. Cromartie. Anne, I especially feel for you as I just recently went trough the same loss of my highscool sweetheart 9 days before our anniversary. God bless you all and hold you close during this most difficult time. Vickie McLean Lide

Vickie McLean Lide - June 04, 2012 at 08:35 AM

RT

“ Rhonda Tedder lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie



Rhonda Tedder - June 04, 2012 at 08:32 AM

CM

“ Crystal Danny Minnehan sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie



Crystal Danny Minnehan - June 04, 2012 at 08:30 AM



“ Tod Mary Easterling lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie



Tod Mary Easterling - June 04, 2012 at 08:26 AM

SH

“ Stephanie Howle lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie



Stephanie Howle - June 04, 2012 at 08:11 AM

PS

“ Pam And Jerry Sansbury lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie



Pam and Jerry Sansbury - June 04, 2012 at 08:10 AM

RW

“ Ron J. Wall lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie



Ron J. Wall - June 04, 2012 at 08:04 AM

PH

“ Phyllis Hicks sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie



Phyllis Hicks - June 04, 2012 at 08:01 AM

JK

“ Jim, Melissa And Jared King lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie



Jim, Melissa and Jared King - June 04, 2012 at 07:53 AM

DH

“ Dear Ann- I am so sorry for your loss - I pray that God will hold you close during this difficult time.



Delores Hickey - June 04, 2012 at 06:42 AM

SC

Ann, I am so sorry to hear. I unfortunately know what you are going through. God has a plan...hold him close in your heart. My thoughts are with you.

Susan Ciotti - June 04, 2012 at 08:26 AM

AW

“ Anna Williams lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie



anna williams - June 04, 2012 at 06:31 AM

RO

“ ROBERT OAKLEY lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie



ROBERT OAKLEY - June 04, 2012 at 05:52 AM

GB

“ Dear God, Please be with the Cromartie Family. In the Name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

Gerald E. Brock - June 04, 2012 at 05:51 AM

DJ

“ *Dennis Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie*



Dennis Johnson - June 04, 2012 at 12:36 AM

KG

“ *Kent And Linda Gainey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie*



Kent and Linda Gainey - June 03, 2012 at 10:21 PM

KG

Ann and Family we will keep you in our thoughts and prayers Kent and Linda Gainey

Kent and Linda Gainey - June 03, 2012 at 10:24 PM

BS

“ *Blake And Jennie Sellers lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie*



Blake and Jennie Sellers - June 03, 2012 at 09:49 PM

BS

Ann and family, You are all in our thoughts and prayers. Always enjoyed seeing Fred when he delivered legend plates to the shop. Light conversation, smile on his face and kind words. May you all feel the presence of God and his loving arms around you during this time.
Blake & Jennie Sellers

Blake & Jennie Sellers - June 03, 2012 at 09:59 PM

GB

“ *Gerald And Phyllis Braddock lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie*



Gerald and Phyllis Braddock - June 03, 2012 at 09:45 PM

MW

“ *Fred was a great friend and made some of the most beautiful trophies for us at Dance World. Knowing Fred and Ann all my life has been a pleasure and we will be praying for the family that God will grant you peace during this time.*
Margie L. Watkins

Margie L. Watkins - June 03, 2012 at 09:30 PM

AB

“ *Dear Mrs. Ann & Kim & Carmen,*
Our heart broke when we heard of Fred's passing. He was such a special man. We will miss his great BBQ pork chops & chicken bog, his smiles and his hugs. We will miss him greatly. We love you Mrs. Ann, Kim & Carmen. Our prayers are with you all. May God bless you with strength and His grace during this difficult time.

Bill & Anne Braddock

Anne Braddock - June 03, 2012 at 09:27 PM

AB

“ Anne Braddock lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie



Anne Braddock - June 03, 2012 at 09:14 PM

JF

“ Ms. Ann, Kim, Carmen & family,
So sorry to hear of Mr. Fred passing. My thoughts and prayers will be with each of you during this time of sorrow but may God comfort each of you and guide you through. Please let me know if I can do anything.



Jennifer Curtis-Chapman & family - June 03, 2012 at 09:12 PM

CI

“ Coker E. Jones II lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie



Coker E. Jones II - June 03, 2012 at 09:00 PM

LT

“ *Ann and Family: I was saddened to hear of the death of Fred. I got to know him when we worked together at Sonoco when he worked in the Cone Dept. He was such a kind and likeable person and a great friend. May God give you peace and comfort in the difficult days ahead. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*



Linda Thompson - June 03, 2012 at 08:33 PM

EC

“ *Eric And Dawn Calhoun lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie*



Eric and Dawn Calhoun - June 03, 2012 at 07:54 PM

CG

“ *We are so sorry for your loss! Your family is in our prayers.*

Curt and Cindy Griggs - June 03, 2012 at 07:53 PM

DW

“ *Ann and Family: My deepest condolences for the loss of your wonderful husband, father, grandfather, son-in-law and friend -- the world was a better place because of Fred. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers.*

Dee Welsh - June 03, 2012 at 07:28 PM

CN

“ Sorry to hear of Fred passing away. He was a good man and always had a smile. I always looked forward to talking to him at the Lodge and enjoyed his cooking. He will be missed by all. Rest in peace my brother.

Chris Norton

Chris Norton - June 03, 2012 at 07:10 PM

CN

“ Sorry to hear of Fred passing away. He was a good man and always had a smile. I always looked forward to talking to him at the Lodge and enjoyed his cooking. He will be missed by all. Rest in peace my brother.

Chris Norton

Chris Norton - June 03, 2012 at 07:10 PM

BG

“ *Billy Gainey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie*



Billy Gainey - June 03, 2012 at 06:53 PM

SA

“ *Sheila Atkinson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie*



Sheila Atkinson - June 03, 2012 at 06:47 PM

CS

“ *Carroll Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie*



Carroll Smith - June 03, 2012 at 05:52 PM

SG

“ *Ann and Family, I am saddened with this news I just saw on facebook. I saw all the cars, but thought Fred was cooking and had help. We had such good times back in the Jaycee-Jaycee-ette years, and Buster and I will cherrish them for the rest of our lives. May God be with you during this time.*

Sandy and Buster Gaskins - June 03, 2012 at 05:49 PM

AD

“ *And Ryann Davis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie*



and Ryann Davis - June 03, 2012 at 05:32 PM

JD

“ *Johnny, Melinda, Kera, And Luke Davis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie*



Johnny, Melinda, Kera, and Luke Davis - June 03, 2012 at 05:30 PM

ML

“ Ann & Family,
Fred & I Had had alot of good times ; I always
got his opinion before reaching mine.He was
my mentor in the Masonic Lodge & in all the
Shrine functions, Fred always new what was
going on. He was a Good Man & LOVED by
all.Fred left very deep footprints that will never be filled.I will cherish
our memories forever.Melissa & I are saddened by the passing of
this GREAT MAN & share your pain .May "GOD" send us comfort &
LOVE as we move foward. Mel & Melissa Lloyd



Mel Lloyd - June 03, 2012 at 05:00 PM

JW

“ Ann and family,you are all in our thoughts and prayers.May God
give you peace and comfort during this time of sorrow.Fred was a
good friend and will be missed by many.

Jimmy and Rita White - June 03, 2012 at 04:50 PM

JL

“ Jennings Mel Lloyd lit a candle in memory of
Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie



Jennings Mel Lloyd - June 03, 2012 at 04:37 PM

MM

“ Keeping the family in my thoughts and prayers.

Melode Manuel - June 03, 2012 at 04:29 PM

DB

“ Dick Brown lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie



Dick Brown - June 03, 2012 at 04:25 PM

DB

Fred and I have known each other since high school and also at Sonoco for several years and we shared some good times together at the shop when he would be rebuilding an automobile. He was a good man and I have lost a good friend.

Dick Brown - June 03, 2012 at 04:28 PM

MJ

“ I worked with Fred in the Hartsville Cone Department in the early 70's. He taught me a great deal and only occasionally laughed at my bumbling efforts. We played some low-stakes poker every now and then with some friends. The next morning at work he would always say "I'll buy the coffee out of my poker losings." He was a very smart, hard working, good man. My condolences to all of his family.

Michael Johnson

Michael Johnson - June 03, 2012 at 02:44 PM

JM

“ John And Tammy McCarn lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie



John and Tammy McCarn - June 03, 2012 at 02:42 PM

LD

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Fred was such a wonderful and caring person. My thoughts and prayers are with your family.

Lynn DeWitt - June 03, 2012 at 01:40 PM

SG

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Fred was one of a kind... such a good man.... and will be sorely missed. Sending all our Love, Thoughts and Prayers to the entire family.

Johnny & Susie Goode

Susan Goode - June 03, 2012 at 01:27 PM

LF

“ Luke Perdue And Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie



Luke Perdue and family - June 03, 2012 at 01:09 PM

LF

The family of Fred is in our thoughts and prayers.

Luke Perdue and family - June 03, 2012 at 01:10 PM

MW

“ We're are so sorry for your loss. You are in our prayers. Love, Bruce & Marissa Walters

Marissa Walters - June 03, 2012 at 12:46 PM

TB

“ TUB AND CAROL BEASLEY lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie



TUB AND CAROL BEASLEY - June 03, 2012 at 12:40 PM

TL

“ Tommy And Jean Lee lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fred Alexander Cromartie



Tommy and Jean Lee - June 03, 2012 at 12:27 PM

HM

*Dear Ann and family,
Our thoughts are with you at this time. What a wonderful man Fred was and the world is a better place for it. You can rest knowing he is in the arms of our loving Lord and that you will see him again, on the other side. Love to you,
Harry and Paula L Murph*

Harry and Paula L Murph - June 04, 2012 at 07:30 PM