



James L. "Boot" Shoemake

July 11, 1931 - June 15, 2009

Funeral services for James Leslie "Boot" Shoemake, 77, will be held at 3:00 p.m. Wednesday, June 17, 2009 at North Hartsville Baptist Church. The Rev. Ladell Humphries and the Rev. Dr. Richard Bailey will officiate with burial in Westview Memorial Park Cemetery. Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home is serving the family. The family will receive friends Tuesday, June 16, 2009 from 5-7 p.m. at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, 128 Stonemark Lane, Columbia, SC 29210 or to North Hartsville Baptist Church, 1117 Patrick Hwy., Hartsville, SC 29550.

Mr. Shoemake died Monday, June 15, 2009. Born in Darlington Co., SC, he was a son of the late Jesse William and Rebecca Hall Shoemake. He was a member of North Hartsville Baptist Church and an honorable member of the Hartsville Rescue Squad. He retired from Morrison Oil Company after many years of service. Boot enjoyed watching professional wrestling, singing in the choir and going to gospel singings.

Surviving are his wife, Letha Mae Shoemake of Hartsville, SC; sons, James Mitchell (Carolyn) Shoemake of Hartsville, SC, Tommy (Donna) Shoemake of Jefferson, SC; stepdaughters, Brenda (E.J.) Gainey of Hartsville, SC, Wittie (Rick) Waldron of Hartsville, SC; stepson, Van Chapman; sister, Mae (Charles) Griffiths of Hartsville, SC; sister-in-law, Thelma Blackwell of Hartsville, SC; 10 grandchildren; 13 great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his stepdaughter Deloris Waldron.

Previous Events

Service

JUN 17. 3:00 PM (ET)

North Hartsville Baptist Church
1117 Patrick Hwy
Hartsville, SC

Tribute Wall



“ Tom, Donna, Blake,
Sorry to hear of your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers

Tim##imported-begin##Tim Knight##imported-end##

June 20, 2009 at 08:20 AM



“ LETHA MAE WAS SORRY TO HEAR OF BOOT PASSING.HE
WAS A GREAT MAN WHO I THOUGHT ALOT OF. YOU ARE IN
MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS. MAY GOD KEEP HIS LOVING
ARMS AROUND YOU. LOVE YOU LEO OUTLAW##imported-
begin##LEO OUTLAW##imported-end##

June 20, 2009 at 12:21 AM



“ Dearest Mitchell, where have the years gone. I remember so many
great things about your dad from so many years ago. What a
wonderful, Christian dad you had. He will live forever in your heart.
May GOD bless you and your family and if I can do anything at all,
please let me know...Love, Roberta##imported-begin##Roberta
Driskell-O'Steen##imported-end##

June 19, 2009 at 07:34 PM



“ Just wanted to say that I am remembering your family in my
thoughts and prayers. To "Grandma" - you have always been and
will always be a very special lady..pray that God will hold you in His
care in the days ahead.##imported-begin##Linda Howell
Weatherford##imported-end##

June 18, 2009 at 04:31 PM



“ you may not know me by name but my grandfather was Edward Shoemake.. i am very sorry to hear about your loss.. your family are in my prayers..god bless u all in your time of loss..##imported-begin##BROOKE FREEMAN##imported-end##

June 18, 2009 at 10:23 AM



“ We offer our heartfelt condolences to Tom, Donna, Blake, and the entire Shoemake family during this difficult time in your lives. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you all.##imported-begin##Scott and Suzi Sprague##imported-end##

June 18, 2009 at 08:14 AM



“ I have known Boots for 28 years since I first joined Hartsville Rescue. We have had many wonderful conversations at our squad functions and at church. I imagine Boots and Perk sitting up there looking down at us all, planning a Heaven rescue squad. He will be missed, and was dearly respected and loved by us all!##imported-begin##Beth Hampton##imported-end##

June 17, 2009 at 11:50 PM



“ We were so sorry to hear Boot's death. We were out of town. We will be praying for you. Love, Bobby and Dianne##imported-begin##Dianne Edwards##imported-end##

June 17, 2009 at 11:15 PM



“ I just want to say Mr. Boot will be greatly missed by all. He was such a loving and caring man. He always had such a sweet smile when you talked to him. I always loved my hugs I always got from him. It's one thing to just hug someone but it means so much more when you feel the LOVE from those hugs, that's when you really know the hug is truly from the heart. I pray that the LORD will comfort your whole family and just cradle you in his sweet loving arms. Just know Mr. Boot is in a Beautiful Place and he's not hurting anymore. I'm sorry I didn't get to the sitting up or the funeral but I just found out tonight in church. I do want you to know I Love You All and I'll be praying for all of you. One more thing Just imagine Mr. Boot in HEAVEN dancing around the throne having a grand old time. He's home with the LORD and if we keep serving the LORD we'll see him one day real soon. Love Jackie###imported-begin##Jackie O. Amerson###imported-end##

June 17, 2009 at 09:05 PM



“ Mary and I are thinking about and praying for y'all, Tom, Donna, and Blake. Tom, keep the good memories of your Dad in your thoughts and be happy in them.###imported-begin##Tom "Winger" Cissell###imported-end##

June 17, 2009 at 08:50 PM



“ Tom, Donna, Blake, and the Shoemake family please accept our deepest sympathies at this time of loss, you all are in our thoughts and prayers.###imported-begin##Dan & Allison Palmer###imported-end##

June 17, 2009 at 06:18 PM



“ Tommy, Donna, Blake, and the Shoemake family, accept our condolences during this difficult time in your lives. Our prayers and thoughts are with you##imported-begin##Steve and Susan Knaebe##imported-end##

June 17, 2009 at 05:56 PM



“ Tom, Donna & Blake,

My thoughts and prayer are with you today. Hold to all the fond memories.
Love and Hugs,
Ann Marie (Sportstergirl)##imported-begin##Ann Marie Maubach##imported-end##

June 17, 2009 at 12:23 PM



“ Heartfelt blessing to the family. Mr. Shoemake is in a better place watching over all of you.
May you find peace in this time of sorrow. GOD bless YALL.

Randy Dent##imported-begin##Randy Dent (Scamp)##imported-end##

June 17, 2009 at 12:11 PM



“ Tom, Donna & Blake. You all and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. May God bless you and be with you all during this time.
DOGZ##imported-begin##Mike Powell##imported-end##

June 17, 2009 at 11:40 AM



“ I was so saddened by Boot's death. So sudden. He touched my life by being my choir buddy. He sang behind me in the choir. He had a beautiful voice. He will be greatly missed. If there is anything I can do for the family, I am just a phone call away. My prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Trudy Stamey##imported-end##

June 17, 2009 at 10:43 AM



“ Blessings on you all as you go through this time of grief. tomo##imported-begin##Tom and Susan Bringle##imported-end##

June 17, 2009 at 08:34 AM



“ Tom, Donna and Blake.
Your are in out thoughts and prayers.
May the Good Lord Bless and watch over
you during this time. And all the days to follow.

Longhair and Kitten##imported-begin##Rodney & Karen
Mullen##imported-end##

June 17, 2009 at 08:33 AM



“ Letha Mae, you are in my thoughts and prayers during this time.##imported-begin##Kenny Lynch##imported-end##

June 17, 2009 at 08:11 AM



“ I'm sorry to hear about your loss. My prayers are with you always and especially during this difficult time.

Ozzie##imported-begin##Kelly##imported-end##

June 17, 2009 at 08:10 AM



“ Dear Shoemake Family, Mae and Charles,

Just wanted your family to know that you are in my thought and prayers at this time. God bless you all.

Maxine M. Haywood##imported-begin##Maxine Haywood##imported-end##

June 16, 2009 at 10:31 PM



“ Mrs. Mae I'm sorry to hear about the loss of your brother. May the Lord wrap his arms around your family during this time. I will keep you & your family in my thoughts & prayers. Love Andy & Terri Huggins##imported-begin##Terri Huggins##imported-end##

June 16, 2009 at 11:22 AM



“ I was sad to find out about Mr. Shoemake's death. I met him in 2005 when I became his neighbor and he was always a joy to talk with. He reminded me of his half brother Lucas Shoemake who I also thought a lot of. He had such a great attitude and pleasant personality and could always tell a funny story. I will keep the family in my prayers.##imported-begin##Phil Whittle##imported-end##

June 16, 2009 at 01:21 AM



“ Dear Shoemake Family, I am very sorry to hear of Mr. Boots passing .I have a lot of fond memories of him. I will keep you all in my prayers. Betty##imported-begin##Betty Dietz##imported-end##

June 15, 2009 at 11:06 PM



“ Mrs. Shoemake and family, Our hearts go out to you at this time.May God bless and comfort each of you. Mr. Boot was a good man and we will miss him. You are in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Steve & Elaine Riley and children##imported-end##

June 15, 2009 at 10:26 PM



“ I'm really sorry for your loss. I remember Mr. Shoemake when I was a member of the Hartsville Rescue Squad. I am also an honorary member.##imported-begin##Amanda Chiles##imported-end##

June 15, 2009 at 08:56 PM



“ I wanted to say he will be misse alot. There was times I don;t know what I would have done without him,I know I did not come to see as often as should, but I did think about him alot. You will now be with Nanny and Billy Ray which I know he will be glad to see you tell him I Love Him and miss him ALOT!!!!. Love Renee Hill (CHAPMAN).##imported-begin##Renee Hill##imported-end##

June 15, 2009 at 08:50 PM



“ Uncle Boot today the lord called u home to be with him and the rest of the Shoemake family.Uncle Boot you will be greatly missed. We know that you are in a better place and there will be no more suffering. To aunt Letha Mae and the rest of the family you are in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Jason Shoemake##imported-end##

June 15, 2009 at 06:52 PM



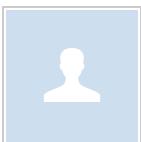
“ Dear Mrs. Mae, and other family members. I am very sorry about the passing of your brother/loved one. We are keeping you in our thoughts and prayers.
In Christ,
Sherrie & Kenny Cassidy##imported-begin##Sherrie Johnson Cassidy##imported-end##

June 15, 2009 at 06:46 PM



“ Ms. Shoemake, James and family, I am sorry to hear about your loss. "Boot" was a great person and was always smiling. My thoughts and prayers are with you and the family during the days ahead that God will comfort all of you and give you the peace you need. God bless. Grady##imported-begin##Grady O'Neal##imported-end##

June 15, 2009 at 02:17 PM



“ Letha Mae, We have so many good memories with you and Boot. We're praying for God's comfort during this time. God bless. David & Bee##imported-begin##David & Beverly Byrd##imported-end##

June 15, 2009 at 02:15 PM



“ I very fond memories of my papa. He taught me how to drive a tractor, pick figs, harvest squash and okra, etc.. Everyday I was rewarded with an ice cold Red Pop out of the drink machine beside his shop. There are many childhood memories that didn't involve him and my grandmother. He will be missed.##imported-begin##Brandy Wilkes Zeller##imported-end##

June 15, 2009 at 12:05 PM