



John Thomas Wise

November 29, 1926 - February 16, 2008

Funeral services for John Thomas Wise will be held at 4:00 p.m. Monday, February 18, 2008 at St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church. Father Michael Ridgill and Father Richard Archer will officiate with a private burial in Magnolia Cemetery. Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home is serving the family. The family will receive friends Sunday from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church 103 Campus Drive, Hartsville, SC 29550 or to Agape Hopsice of the Pee Dee, 202 S. Second Street, Hartsville, SC 29550.

Mr. Wise died Saturday, February 16, 2008. Born in Orangeburg, SC, he was the son of the late George Chesley Wise and the late Mary Singleton Wise. John retired in 1989 from Sonoco Products Company where he was a chemist and Research Coordinator for 36 years. While at Sonoco, he was Chairman of the paperboard committee of the testing division of TAPPI (Technical Association of the Pulp & Paper Industry.) John also belonged to the CCTI (Composite Can & Tube Institute) and was largely responsible for helping to develop their test methods. He was a member of the American Chemical Society as well. He was active in several other civic affairs serving as president of the Memorial Library Association and the Lions Club. John received his B.S. from The Citadel and his M.S. in Chemistry from Purdue University. He spent two years in the Army during the Korean War, serving in a surgical research unit and working with burn victims from all over the US.

John's strong faith and gift of service was evident to all who knew him. He was a member of St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, where he served as Junior Warden, vestryman, lay reader and treasurer. He served on numerous diocesan committees and boards. He was lay leader for Cursillo and Kairos weekends and was a member of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. John was truly a man of God and touched many hearts and lives through the years. He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Ann Wise, his children, John Thomas Wise Jr. of Johns Island, SC, Diane Wise of Charlotte, NC, Mary Wise McCarley and son-in-law, Burton E. McCarley of Hartsville. He was the beloved "Pop" to twelve grandchildren, Chris and Jordan Lay of Charlotte, NC, and Shon, Morgan, Mary Kate, Elizabeth, Martha, Ian, Anna, James, Caleb and Patrick McCarley of Hartsville

Previous Events

Service

FEB 18. 4:00 PM (ET)

Saint Bartholomew's Church
103 Campus Drive
Hartsville, SC 29550
(843) 332-8765

Tribute Wall

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“ Robert Andrews lit a candle in memory of John Thomas Wise



Robert Andrews - July 11, 2025 at 08:32 PM



“ Ann and family, I know it is very difficult to say goodbye to those we love. You and John have been a blessing to our lives. We are so thankful to have you 2 a part of our lives. We love you as our brother and sister. We thank God for taking John out of his pain and giving him peace in his eternal home. Our prayers are continually with you all. God bless. Love, Toni & Jed###imported-begin##Toni and Jed Hermes###imported-end##

February 26, 2008 at 06:51 PM



“ Dear Ann,
I was out of the country and just returned today to hear of John's passing. You are in my prayers.
You two were some of the first folks I met when I came to Hartsville 28 years ago.
Love and Prayers,
Sharon###imported-begin##Sharon Moon###imported-end##

February 26, 2008 at 04:42 PM



“ *Mary, Burton and Family,*

I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Mary's Father. I know that you will find strength in each other and your faith. Our family will keep yours in our hearts and prayers.

Sincerely,

Gayla, Tom and Family##imported-begin##Gayla Carle##imported-end##

February 22, 2008 at 08:47 AM



“ *We wish to extend our sympathy to the family on the loss of their loved one. Our prayers are with each and everyone of you.*

Warner DeHart

Tara S. Waddell

Georgia Ross##imported-begin##Darlington County Veterans Affiars Office##imported-end##

February 21, 2008 at 03:35 PM



“ *Dear Diane and the entire Wise Family,*

I am so sorry for your loss. I will keep you in my prayers, asking God to bring you the peace and comfort that only He can bring.##imported-begin##Kay Carver##imported-end##

February 18, 2008 at 10:38 AM



“ *My Precious Friend - I am so sorry to hear of your Father's Passing. I just want you to know you will be lifted up in prayer by our Bible Study Group in the morning...I will be asking God to surround you and your family with the peace that only he can give. You are Loved!*
Brenda Pressley##imported-begin##Brenda Pressley##imported-end##

February 18, 2008 at 09:47 AM



“ *Diane and family,
My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.*

*Love,
Lee Ann##imported-begin##Lee Ann Cooling##imported-end##*

February 18, 2008 at 09:14 AM



“ *Dear Diane,*

I'm sorry to hear about your father. Please know that you and your family are in my prayers.

Carolyn##imported-begin##Carolyn Barringer##imported-end##

February 18, 2008 at 08:48 AM



“ *Ann and family:*

So sorry to hear of the death of John. May God's richest blessings be with you in this time of sorrow.##imported-begin##Janelle T. Britt##imported-end##

February 18, 2008 at 08:11 AM



“ *To the Wise family: Our thoughts and prayers are with you now and always.##imported-begin##Katie Kissel and family##imported-end##*

February 18, 2008 at 08:03 AM



“ *Dear Mrs. Ann and family: On behalf of the staff of Agape Hospice of the Pee Dee, please know that we are so very sorry for your loss and want to express our heartfelt sympathy durinmg this time. Mr. Wise will be greatly missed. He was always very kind to me and warm. Our staff will miss him visiting him, for he was a wnderful patient and we thank you for allowing us to be a part of your family. Remember this earth is not our home, we are only passing through as we travel life's journey! So many are praying for all of you and should you need me in any way, I am just a phone call away. Sincerely, John Griggs -Agpae Hospice of the Pee Dee##imported-begin##John Griggs##imported-end##*

February 18, 2008 at 07:41 AM



“ This was Sent to me by Patrick Trevanion from the UK.

I was very sorry to hear of John Wise's death.

I have very pleasant memories of him although I can't say I knew him well.

But I was on a technical trip headed by him to Japan which was very enjoyable and interesting.

His wife Ann was along for the trip, and if I remember rightly, the Wise's had entertained a lady from Showa in Hartsville whilst she was on a training visit, and so for them it was a return trip.

I know you will be very saddened, since I guess you worked with him for most if not all of your Sonoco career.

I assume you will be going to the funeral today?

Please would you add my name to a book of condolence if there is one.##imported-begin##Archie Biggs for Patrick Trevanion##imported-end##

February 18, 2008 at 06:47 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you all during this time of letting your loved one go into the arms of his precious Savior Jesus Christ.

Our love to you,

Arturo, Cathy Ann, and Family##imported-begin##Arturo and Cathy Ann Suarez##imported-end##

February 17, 2008 at 11:19 PM



“ Ann, I am very sorry about John. I didn't know about visitation until too late. Thinking of you.

Grace##imported-begin##Grace Thornton##imported-end##

February 17, 2008 at 09:52 PM



“ Dear Ann:

I am so sorry to hear about John. He was a wonderful man and really was passionate about serving his Lord. You know where he is. He is in heaven and in no more pain or suffering.

Please know that I love you and will be praying for you.

Patricia Byrd###imported-begin##Patricia Byrd###imported-end##

February 17, 2008 at 07:36 PM



“ Ann,

I remember John as a soft-spoken gentleman charming and warm with the ability to draw out others in conversation. The St. Bartholomew's community will miss his leadership and example of devotion.

Anne Wallace Smith###imported-begin##Anne Wallace Smith###imported-end##

February 17, 2008 at 10:12 AM



“ Ann, John was the person most responsible for my learning who Jesus really is. He gently but firmly kept after me for the many years that I was "playing church" at St. Bartholomew's. He talked us into attending Cursillo #38 in 1984 and my life was changed that weekend. My prayers are with you all, I will never forget my brother John. I am so very glad that I got to see him and talk to him last month, it was God's blessing to me.

Archie###imported-begin##Archie Biggs###imported-end##

February 17, 2008 at 08:12 AM



“ Dear Ann,

Our thoughts, prayers and our hearts are with you and your family at this time.

May God comfort and sustain you with His loving peace.##imported-begin##Reggie and Stephanie Pennington##imported-end##

February 17, 2008 at 07:19 AM



“ Mrs. McCarley, Mary Kate and family, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Please know that we are covering each of you with prayer. Taylor, Sammie and Ann DuBose Coates##imported-begin##Taylor Coates##imported-end##

February 16, 2008 at 04:57 PM



“ To the Family, I am sorry about your loss. Rest assured that God's Angels will comfort you during this difficult time. You will be in our thoughts and Prayers. God bless all of you##imported-begin##Grady Leon O'Neal--Harts Offc Agape Hospice/Pee Dee##imported-end##

February 16, 2008 at 03:49 PM