



## Joseph Ray Hemby, Sr.

July 14, 1947 - October 10, 2010

Funeral services for Joseph Ray Hemby, Sr., 63, will be held at 4 p.m. Thursday, October 14, 2010 at North Hartsville Baptist Church. The Rev. Ladell Humphries will officiate and Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home is serving the family. The family will receive friends following the service. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, 128 Stonemark Lane, Columbia, SC 29210.

Mr. Hemby died Sunday, October 10, 2010. Born in Hartsville, SC, he was a son of the late Joe and Sadie Segars Hemby. He was employed 42 years with Mar-Mac Manufacturing and was the Vice-President of Manufacturing. He enjoyed golf and fishing and especially enjoyed watching his granddaughters dance and play sports.

Surviving are his wife, Debby Sellers Hemby of Wateree, SC; son, Ray (Brandy) Hemby of Hartsville, SC; daughter, Heather Hemby of Hartsville, SC; brother, Dawson (Judy) Hemby of Hartsville, SC; granddaughters, Whitney Hemby, Zoey Hemby, Harley Liles; nephew, Brad Hemby; his little white dog, Chelsea.

# Tribute Wall

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Debby Hemby - October 09, 2013 at 01:53 PM

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“ It will be three years tomorrow. I miss Ray but he gave me the strength through his love to continue in life. He would be proud of his babies and grandbabies. He would be proud that I have continued to live life to its fullest. Ray will never truly die. He will always be a part of me, Heather, Ray and their babies and descendents. So many sweet memories, so much love.

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Debby Hemby - October 09, 2013 at 01:50 PM

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Debby Hemby - August 21, 2012 at 09:47 AM

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“ *Cindy Sellers Isgett lit a candle in memory of Joseph Ray Hemby, Sr.*



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**Cindy Sellers Isgett** - October 10, 2011 at 08:43 PM



“ *Miss you and love you always, Daddy.##imported-begin##Heather Hemby##imported-end##*

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October 18, 2010 at 02:58 PM



“ *Debby,  
We get our subscription to the Messenger late and I was saddened to see in the latest addition this morning that you had lost your husband. I cannot begin to know how difficult this is for you and your family but want to express my sympathy. You are in my thoughts and prayers. I hope that the loss you feel will quickly be filled with memories of all the love and gifts he has given each of you.##imported-begin##Kathy Ray King##imported-end##*

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October 16, 2010 at 11:25 AM



“ *We were so sorry to hear about Ray. He was a great man and we will always remember the good times we all had at the softball field. We will keep your family in our prayers.  
Shirley and Wayne McCutchen##imported-begin##Shirley and Wayne McCutchen##imported-end##*

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October 15, 2010 at 10:36 PM



“ Dear, Deb, Ray Ray, Heather and family. Please accept my condolences on the passing of Ray. Ray was my first boss here at Mar Mac 22 years ago. He had the uncanny ability of transforming the boss-subordinate relationship to a friendship almost immediately. I knew he was my boss, but most importantly, he was my friend. I long for the day to be in heaven and have someone ask me a question and be able to say as we said numerous of times here at Mar Mac...”I don’t know let’s ask Ray”. With love and prayer.  
Gene###imported-begin##Gene Hornsby###imported-end##

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October 15, 2010 at 10:30 AM



“ Dear Deb, Ray Ray, Heather and granddaughters. My most sincere sympathy on the passing of Ray. He was larger than life for many of us who had the pleasure of knowing him. Ray was my mentor for many years here at Mar Mac and I don't believe this company would be nearly as successful without his wisdom and work ethic. I will remember our many times together over the past 25 years with both a smile and a tear. God bless Ray Hemby, and God bless you.###imported-begin##Cort Calk###imported-end##

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October 15, 2010 at 09:40 AM



“ Debby and family we are so sorry to hear about the passing of Ray. Our thoughts and prayers are with you in this great time of loss. Bennie and Celeste Munn Crowley###imported-begin##Celeste###imported-end##

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October 15, 2010 at 07:38 AM



“ Love you and miss you.##imported-begin##Debby Hemby##imported-end##

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October 15, 2010 at 06:10 AM



“ The Hemby family,our hearts pour with sympathy during the most difficult times of your lives. Please know our thoughts and prayers surround you and may they be of comfort to you. Love in Christ, The Tolsons##imported-begin##Alvin and Mary Tolson##imported-end##

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October 15, 2010 at 12:55 AM



“ Ray, Brandy and Whitney - We are very sorry to hear of your loss. We pray that God will wrap his loving arms around you and comfort each of you at this time. May God give each of you the comfort and strength that you need in the days to come.##imported-begin##Kellie and Len Garrett##imported-end##

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October 14, 2010 at 03:59 PM



“ Debby, Please know how sorry I am to hear of Ray's passing. He was such a great guy. If you need anything please let me know. Y'all were like my second parent's during my teen years. He will be missed so much.Love You Lot's.##imported-begin##Melissa Kelly Gallman##imported-end##

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October 12, 2010 at 05:28 PM



“ Debbie and family, Ray was such a special person. When walking through the plant he always stop and talk about his family and always had a smile on his face. He will be dearly missed. Heavenly Father, I know that when you allow sadness into our lives, You still loves us. The quiet joy of your love ia always with us. Heal the family's hearts Lord and wrap them in your tender loving arms. My thoughts and prayers are with you. ##imported-begin## Pam Smith ##imported-end##

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October 12, 2010 at 02:28 PM



“ The Hemby family will be in our prayers in the coming weeks. Ray always had a smile and kind word wherever you saw him. May the Lord comfort and give you the strength in the days ahead. ##imported-begin## Lynn & Faye Jackson ##imported-end##

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October 12, 2010 at 02:11 PM



“ Super guy-will always remember him pitching no-hitter in state play-offs.  
Good friend for over 50 years-where does time go? Debra Jane and kids will keep you in my prayers. ##imported-begin## Glenn Odom ##imported-end##

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October 12, 2010 at 01:00 PM



“ Debbie, our deepest sympathy is with you and all of your family. Ray was a very special person and had such a great outlook on life and family. We feel fortunate to have shared the past several years with you both. Our prayers are with you. ##imported-begin## Tom & Cathy McDonald ##imported-end##

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October 12, 2010 at 10:16 AM



“ Ray and Brandy,

*Our deepest condolences are with you and your family. May God bless you, and provide you with strength and comfort.##imported-begin##Penske Florence##imported-end##*

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October 12, 2010 at 09:12 AM



“ To all of the Hemby Family:

*We were saddened to hear about Ray's passing. May God keep you close and give you the strength to help you through your time of loss. You are all in our prayers.  
Hettie and Buck##imported-begin##Buck and Hettie Blackwell Wilkerson##imported-end##*

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October 11, 2010 at 10:29 PM



“ hemby Family, my deepest condolences to all. may God bless each of you during this sad time. ray was a good person, and a hard working person. my thoughts and prayers are with you.##imported-begin##ronnie watford##imported-end##

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October 11, 2010 at 09:13 PM



“ Deb, Ray, Heather, I am so sorry for your loss. I will miss my friend and will always remember and cherish the time we had working together and fishing. All of you are in our prayers.##imported-begin##Ed Wright##imported-end##

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October 11, 2010 at 08:42 PM



“ *Debby, I'm so sorry to hear about Ray. My mom and Ray are first cousins (Aunt Sadie and my grandmother were sisters)I remember great times when all the cousins visited Great-grandmother Segars in Pine Ridge on Sundays. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Kathy & Rodney McFarland##imported-end##*

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October 11, 2010 at 07:30 PM



“ *To my dear friends the Hemby family...words cannot express how sorry I am. I love you all, you are all like family to me. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Please let me know if I can do anything. I will always remember the family beach weekend and the weekend on the lake that you allowed me to enjoy with Mr. Ray and your family. May God comfort and bless you all.##imported-begin##Nicole Cameron##imported-end##*

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October 11, 2010 at 06:47 PM



“ *Debbie and family,  
We are so sorry to hear of Ray's passing. He was a good man and we know you will miss him. May God bless and comfort you in this sad time.##imported-begin##J.M. and Dale Hill##imported-end##*

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October 11, 2010 at 06:20 PM



“ *Debbie, Dawson and family members:  
Remembering with you...  
...the life of someone so dear.  
...so many times childhood memories allow me to reflect on the  
times spent with Ray, Dawson, and their parents.  
...such happy and carefree times.  
...my thoughts are with you all.  
With Sincerest Sympathy,  
Polli##imported-begin##Polli Seegars Vaughn##imported-end##*

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October 11, 2010 at 04:49 PM



“ *Dear Family, we are so sorry for your loss. We will keep you all in  
our thoughts and prayers. May God comfort you during this time as  
only he can. We are here if you need us.##imported-begin##Evelyn  
and David Talbert##imported-end##*

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October 11, 2010 at 01:53 PM



“ *I am so sorry to hear of Ray's passing. He was a great person and  
will be dearly missed. I will always remember is smiling face and  
kind words of his grand children and family. May God bless you  
during this difficult time and may the wonderful memories and faith  
see you through.  
God Bless.##imported-begin##Denise Williams##imported-end##*

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October 11, 2010 at 12:42 PM



“ Dear Hemby Family,  
Betty Sue and I offer our deepest condolence's. Ray was a lifelong friend. Just the other day I told him he needed a haircut. He said "yeah it's getting agravating".  
Please know that our prayers are with Ray and all of your family. May he now rest in the peace promised to us all.  
Our heartfelt sympanthy to all,  
Jack and Betty Sue Rhoad###imported-begin##Jack and Betty Sue Rhoad###imported-end##

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October 11, 2010 at 12:19 PM



“ Debby, Heather, & Ray,  
I'm so sad to see this obituary. It's seems like only yesterday that I worked for him. He was always good to me. I know that God will watch over you all and you will be in my prayers.  
Fondly, Martha###imported-begin##Martha Kirkley King###imported-end##

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October 11, 2010 at 12:11 PM



“ Deb and Family,  
  
My deepest sympathy to you and the kids. You were a great friend when we worked together at Sonoco. Camilla & Jimmy Stewart###imported-begin##Camilla Stewart###imported-end##

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October 11, 2010 at 11:43 AM



“ I,m very sorry for your loss. My prayers are for the family. God bless###imported-begin##Hattie Smith###imported-end##

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October 11, 2010 at 11:28 AM



“ *Debby and family - Praying for each of you during this difficult time. Ray will be missed very much by myself and countless others at MarMac. I am so glad I got to know him and call him friend. May God wrap his loving arms around you and give you strength in the days ahead. Love, Paige Smith Webster*###imported-begin###*Paige Smith Webster*###imported-end##

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October 11, 2010 at 11:05 AM



“ *Ray,  
We are sorry for your loss. I pray that God will bring your family comfort and peace. If we can do anything please let us know.*###imported-begin###*Leavern and Angela Jordan*###imported-end##

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October 11, 2010 at 11:00 AM



“ *Dear Debby, It's often too sad that friends don't keep in touch as often as they should, then we see a passing of a loved one and we realize how long it's been since we've talked. I am truly sorry to hear of Ray. I remember him and his entire family when I worked in McBee many years ago. They were all great people to know. My thoughts are of you and your family today and in the days to come.*  
*Terri*###imported-begin###*Terri Woodham*###imported-end##

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October 11, 2010 at 10:40 AM



“ Ray, Brandy, and Whitney:  
Kel and I are saddened to hear of the loss of Big Ray. He was a great man who always treated us with much respect. Please know that you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers at this time. Love you guys.##imported-begin##Chris Lloyd##imported-end##

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October 11, 2010 at 09:14 AM



“ Debbie, Heather, Zoey and Harley, So sorry to hear about the loss of such a wonderful man. Your greatest strength during this difficult time of loss will come from God, each other and memories of the man you love. Our prayers are, you will find a peace beyond understanding, strength for the days ahead, and a hope for the future.##imported-begin##Dianne and Angel Woodle##imported-end##

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October 11, 2010 at 09:03 AM



“ Praying for the family. Mr. Ray was a wonderful, kind soul that will be missed. I pray God will wrapped his loving arms around you and fill your hearts with peace.##imported-begin##Ann Sams##imported-end##

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October 11, 2010 at 08:39 AM



“ Debbie,Ray, Heather,Brandy, & Whit, My thoughts and prayers are with you in your time of grief. May your memories bring you comfort.My heart goes out to you at this time and in the days ahead. May God wrap his arms around you. We are here for you if you need anything. Love Andy & Terri Huggins##imported-begin##terri.huggins@hilexpoly.com##imported-end##

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October 11, 2010 at 08:34 AM



“ Ray and family, sorry for your loss. May God be close to you during this time. Praying for you!##imported-begin##Will McManus ##imported-end##

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October 11, 2010 at 03:18 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you during your loss. Ray was a true friend and will be missed.##imported-begin##Joe and Julie Middleton##imported-end##

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October 10, 2010 at 10:04 PM



“ Ray & Heather, really sorry to hear of Ray's passing! He was a real special man. He will be greatly missed! My thoughts & prayers are with your family.##imported-begin##Tammy Watkins Blackwell##imported-end##

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October 10, 2010 at 09:50 PM



“ HEATHER I WAS SORRY TO HEAR OF YOUR DAD'S PASSING BUT PUT YOUR HANDS IN GOD'S AND HE HELP YOU THROUGH THIS DIFFICULT TIME AND KEEP YOUR DAD IN YOUR YOUR HEART AND YOU WILL ALWAYS HAVE A SMILE IF YOU NEED ME FOR ANYTHING GIVE ME A CALL OR JUST COME OVER I AM HERE FOR YOU ANYTIME OF THE DAY OR NIGHT.  
LOVE YA,  
JACKIE##imported-begin##JACKIE WATFORD##imported-end##

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October 10, 2010 at 07:10 PM



“ Heather and Ray, So very sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Love you both.##imported-begin##Kelly Gardner##imported-end##

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October 10, 2010 at 05:05 PM



“ Aunt Deb I am so sorry to hear about Uncle Ray. Mom called me this morning and right time I heard her voice I knew something was wrong. Atleast all of the suffering is over and he can go hang out with Mama. I was his lost little kitten and used to love to pull on his beard. Even when I grew up first thing I would do was pull on his beard. He didn't like it much, but I didn't care. I love you so much, and you are in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Amy Smith##imported-end##

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October 10, 2010 at 04:22 PM



“ DEBBIE, HEATHER AND RAY WE ARE SO SORRY ABOUT RAY'S PASSING. HE FAUGHT A HARD FEIGHT. OUR PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU ALL.##imported-begin##Kenny Sr & Judy Brooks##imported-end##

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October 10, 2010 at 03:21 PM



“ *Ray, Brandy and Whitney*

*We were shocked to hear the news at lunch today about Big Ray. Just remember God is with you and your family and will watch over you during your time of sorrow. We will keep you and your family in our prayers and thoughts. If you need anything just let us know.*

*Sherry, Chuck & Breanna##imported-begin##Sherry  
Griggs##imported-end##*

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October 10, 2010 at 03:20 PM