



Lukie Watkins

January 24, 1943 - October 15, 2010

Funeral services for Luke E. "Lukie" Watkins, 67, will be held at 4:00 p.m. Monday, October 18, 2010 at New Market United Methodist Church. The Rev. Myrna Westfall and the Rev. Dr. Dora Gafford will officiate with burial in the church cemetery directed by Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home. The family will receive friends Sunday, October 17, 2010 from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the New Market United Methodist Church, 1909 West Old Camden Road, Hartsville, SC 29550 or Hartsville High School Athletics -- In memory of Lukie Watkins, 701 Lewellen Avenue, Hartsville, SC 29550.

Mr. Watkins died Friday, October 15, 2010. Born in Hartsville, SC, he was a son of the late Major Aaron and Julia Mobley Watkins. He was a member of New Market United Methodist Church. He was the owner and operator of Lukie Used Cars for many years. He was a member of the Hartsville Masonic Lodge, the Omar Shrine, the Loyal Order of the Moose, and the End Zone Foxes. He was an avid Gamecock fan and enjoyed any high school and college sport that has a ball named with it. He loved playing golf and going to the beach to ride in his golf cart.

Surviving are his wife, Sue Clark Watkins of Hartsville, SC; son and daughter-in-law, Mark and Melanie Watkins of Hartsville, SC; grandchildren, Cody Watkins, Sarah Watkins. He was preceded in death by his brothers, James Edward Watkins, J. B. Watkins, Lefty Major Watkins, John "Pokey" Watkins.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Deborah S Galloway lit a candle in memory of Lukie Watkins*



deborah s galloway - April 22, 2012 at 10:55 PM

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“ *DEBBY GALLOWAY lit a candle in memory of Lukie Watkins*



DEBBY GALLOWAY - October 19, 2011 at 11:53 AM



“ *My heart is broken knowing we have lost Lukie, but I know he is now in heaven with Daddy playing golf and listening to Mother giving them a hard time. Please know my love and prayers are with you and Mark and I'm always here if you need me.*

Barbara###imported-begin##Mr. & Mrs. Michael L Anderson###imported-end##

November 08, 2010 at 07:04 PM



“ *Sue and family. Bless all of you and stay close to the lord. Dick passed away 2 years November 2008###imported-begin##Delores Thanasse(Dick)###imported-end##*

October 29, 2010 at 01:23 AM



“ Dear Sue,
I apologize for this being so late. I didn't find out until I was at work Monday morning. Lukie was such a joyful treasure. His presence at all those athletic events and following Wil and those boys was more meaningful than you could imagine. He will be missed but his entoxicating smile, friendliness and "jokes" will never die. You and the family are in our hearts and prayers.
sincerely,
Deb, Ricky and Wil Newsome##imported-begin##Deb & Ricky Newsome##imported-end##

October 24, 2010 at 04:56 PM



“ Bobby and I were so sorry to hear about Lukie. We did not know him well but have heard through others what a wonderful person he was. May God give you strength for the coming days and wrap you in His comfort.##imported-begin##Cynthia Smith##imported-end##

October 20, 2010 at 05:29 PM



“ Dear Family;

Although Mr. Watkins face looks familiar, I don't believe my husband and I ever met him. Still, he looks like a person that all others would have fun around. He sounds like a true "people person" who truly benefited his community.

Please continue to reach out to our heavenly Father Jehovah God for comfort(2Cor.1:3,4) and know that for Him, death of our loved ones is not the end(Jo.5:28,29; Acts 24:15). His will is to restore mankind to true and everlasting happiness(Psalms 145:15) and we can have confidence that He will-(Titus 1:2).##imported-begin##Paula Gallery##imported-end##

October 20, 2010 at 03:20 PM



“ We are so sorry for your loss. We thought alot of Lukie and enjoyed seeing him when we were at the beach. Our prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Andy and Shelia Fisher##imported-end##

October 19, 2010 at 08:39 PM



“ Mark & Melanie: I am so sorry to hear about Mr. Lukie. I was out of town and just recently returned to learn of the sad news. Please know that you are in my families prayers now and in the future. We love yall. Lawrence, Tonya, Courtney, Jessie, Tate and Chloe.##imported-begin##Tonya Hawins##imported-end##

October 19, 2010 at 11:45 AM



“ Sorry to hear about Lukie. We were classmates(HHS Class of '61). He could always make you laugh. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this time.##imported-begin##Sydney Turnage Powell##imported-end##

October 18, 2010 at 04:59 PM



“ Dear Mark and Melanie, I am so sorry of your loss. I know this has been a long hard day, please know my prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Sandra Simmons##imported-end##

October 18, 2010 at 03:32 PM



“ To a great friend and someone I will miss seeing every Sunday Afternoon.##imported-begin##Wayne Gough##imported-end##

October 18, 2010 at 02:38 PM



“ To the Watkins family. What a great loss to the community. Lukie was a joy to be around and was loved by everyone. You are in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Curt and Cindy Griggs##imported-end##

October 18, 2010 at 01:15 PM



“ Garn and I are so sorry for your loss. We thought so much of Lukie and enjoyed seeing him when we were in Hartsville. Our prayers are with you, that the Lord will ease your sorrow at this time and give you peace of mind.

Love, Patsy and Garn###imported-begin###Patsy Hodge
Capps###imported-end##

October 18, 2010 at 11:18 AM



“ Sue, Mark and Melanie, we are so very sorry for your loss. You have all been in our thoughts and prayers over the last week and will continue to be during this most difficult time. Lukie was a wonderful man and will be greatly missed. We are here if you need anything. Lisa and Wendell###imported-begin###Lisa Clark
Howle###imported-end##

October 18, 2010 at 11:13 AM



“ Mark and Sue,
We are sorry for your loss of such a great Man. The world will definitely be a saddened place without him. Please accept our deepest condolences.

Heath and Tara###imported-begin###Heath and Tara
Sealey###imported-end##

October 18, 2010 at 11:03 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are of you today and in the days to come. Lukie will be greatly missed by many; he was a great guy, such a pleasure to be around.
Sincerely, Terri and Tommy###imported-begin##Terri Woodham###imported-end##

October 18, 2010 at 10:35 AM



“ Dear sue and mark
Our thoughts and prayers are with. Lukie will be missed dearly but we have great memories to hold onto###imported-begin##John and pat and Johnny nresr###imported-end##

October 18, 2010 at 10:23 AM



“ Mark and Melanie
you and your family are in our prayers. Lukie was a great man and father and will be missed alot. He had a lot to be proud of when you look at his family. So may God continue to bless each one of you.###imported-begin##Leslie and Elaine Burr###imported-end##

October 18, 2010 at 10:13 AM



“ On behalf of the staff of Agape Hospice, and the Howard family, please know that we are so very sorry for your loss and want to express our heartfelt sympathy during this time. Remember this earth is not our home, we are only passing through this land as we travel life’s journey! I have mant fond memories of Lukie and our comversations oveer the years! He was an encourager, motivator and supporter! Lukie will be greatly missed.

In His Grasp, John "Bootsie" Griggs##imported-begin##John Griggs##imported-end##

October 18, 2010 at 10:12 AM



“ So sorry to hear about Lukie. He was a great guy, always having something good to say and smiling all the while. We were in grade school thru high school together. Lots of memories. May God take care of you and your family during this very trying time.##imported-begin##Lucia Raines Robertson##imported-end##

October 18, 2010 at 10:08 AM



“ Sue and Mark and Melanie, I am so sorry for your loss. Be comforted by the fact that many will be praying for you. I'll see you later today.
Dora##imported-begin##Dora Gafford##imported-end##

October 18, 2010 at 09:33 AM



“ Sue, Mark and family, We are so sorry. Words cannot express how we feel. Lukie was one of a kind. Always making us laugh. We had some good times. We will hold on to the memories. We will be praying for you - for God to give you the strength to make it through the difficult days ahead. Love, Gina & Tommy##imported-begin##Gina & Tommy Easterling##imported-end##

October 18, 2010 at 09:11 AM



“ We were sad to hear about Lukie. We have been doing business for about 40 years. He was always good for a laugh and he will be missed by all of us at Baker Chevrolet.

Fred Baker##imported-begin##Fred Baker##imported-end##

October 18, 2010 at 08:45 AM



“ Sue:

*Over the years that I have known Lukie through my Dad as a child, and had the pleasure of knowing you both, a an adult, sharing many great times at dances and during USC trips, times at the Golf Club eating and socializing, and asking about your precious son, Mark, and his great golfing abilities as a young man, I cherished the friendship. Never knowing that we would become family... You and Lukie raised a remarkable young man and I know how much you all love one another. I am heartbreak for your loss. There is a lot to be said by how many lives a person touches and Lukie has certainly touched a multitude in such positive ways! I told Mark on Saturday night that Lukie was the type person that no matter what trouble you were enduring, he had the ability to make you smile and laugh and take a break from those troubles and that is a blessing! I see him in Cody and Sarah and eagerly await the birth of your newest grandchild (as I become a grand aunt again) to come. You have all the love of my family and we are here for you in any way you may have need. Continuing to lift you and Mark up in prayer... Love, Rebecca & Family
(Ben & Glenn love thier "Aunt Grandma Sue" and "Uncle Mark")###imported-begin###Rebecca Skinner-Fulmer###imported-end###*

October 18, 2010 at 04:26 AM



“ Sue, Mark and family, I just can't tell you how sad I am to learn of Lukie's passing. Your whole family was among the first to make me feel at home in Hartsville. That was over 30 years ago and I always look forward to our times together. We will all miss Lukie! Take care of one another and I will pray for each of you. Love you, Peggy###imported-begin###Peggy Lineberger###imported-end###

October 17, 2010 at 10:23 PM



“ *Mark, Melanie and Mrs. Watkins we are so sorry for your loss! Our hearts go out to you at this very sad time. Ya'll will be in our thoughts and prayers!##imported-begin##Ray Rivers and April James Smith##imported-end##*

October 17, 2010 at 10:00 PM



“ *Dear Watkins Family,
We were so sorry to hear of Lukie's passing
Please know that we are praying for all of
you and will keep your whole family in our
thoughts, with love and sympathy.
Tony and Cindy##imported-begin##TONY AND CINDY
THOMPSON##imported-end##*

October 17, 2010 at 09:13 PM



“ *To the Watkins Family, our entire family has you in our prayers and will miss Lukie!##imported-begin##Family of Ronald Martin Sr##imported-end##*

October 17, 2010 at 09:02 PM



“ Mark an Family, I am truly sorry for your loss, Lukie was such a happy spirit He lived his life like we all should to the fullest, I'm so gonna miss him coming in at Northside an mixing him touch-ups an He always called me Blondie, an we had some good laughs an talks about sports He will be truly missed. He always made me smile an that I'll never forget! I'm so glad I knew him an can call him my Friend. May god bless you an all your family. You guys are in my thoughts an prayers.##imported-begin##Stacey Johnson##imported-end##

October 17, 2010 at 07:26 PM



“ I have known Lukie all my life and was a friend of mine. He and I had a conversation at Northside Auto Parts Wednesday a week ago and we were talking about our next class reunion. He was looking forward to it. My thoughts and prayers go out to you the family. Dick Brown##imported-begin##Dick Brown##imported-end##

October 17, 2010 at 07:17 PM



“ I just learned of Lukie's passing from another Hartsville High classmate, and I am so sorry. Lukie was a friend from the old school days that I usually saw only at class reunions, but he somehow seemed unchanged over the years - always enjoyable to be around, and always bringing up good memories. I know what a loss he is to you all, his family, as well as a loss to his classmates. My thoughts are with you all. Woody##imported-begin##Woody Goodson##imported-end##

October 17, 2010 at 01:39 PM



“ SUE AND MARK, I WANT YOU TO KNOW I AM THINKING OF YOU. KNEW LUKIE ALL MY LIFE. WE HAD SOME GOOD TIMES TOGETHER. WILL MISS HIM. IF YOU NEED ME JUST CALL. MILLER##imported-begin##MILLER MARSHALL##imported-end##

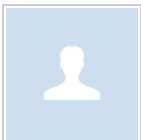
October 17, 2010 at 11:06 AM



“ Mark, I am so sorry to hear about all of us losing Lukie. He had such a love of life. Back in the late '50s he coached my farm team baseball team when I was not chosen for a little league team. We were the Sparrows and he taught me the game of baseball, and I went on to a successful "little league career" because of him.

Later, I always enjoyed seeing him at the golf course and him watching us play. He especially loved following you out there. I'll sure miss Lukie even though I have not seen him in long time. Just knowing he is not in Hartsville and enjoying life saddens me. Our prayers and thoughts are with you during this time.##imported-begin##Allen Burr##imported-end##

October 17, 2010 at 10:14 AM



“ May God continue to bless you throughout this and at all times. You are in my prayers.##imported-begin##Lil Blakney##imported-end##

October 17, 2010 at 09:47 AM



“ Aunt Sue And Family,
We were so sorry to hear that Uncle Lukie had pass away you are in our thought's and pray's . I know he love any kind of game he was a real Red Fox Fan and very devoted. if you need someone to talk to please feel free to call us .We will miss him but now he will be watching over you from the heaven's above.Just know you may not be able to see are touch him now but he will always be right there watching over you all.

Aunt Sue You are a very special person we love you

GOD BLESS

Richard & Lori & Alyssa###imported-begin##Mr & Mrs Richard Clark & Alyssa###imported-end##

October 17, 2010 at 08:18 AM



“ DEAR SUE,MARK AND FAMILY,
I AM SO SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT LUKIE,IF THERE IS ANY THING I CAN DO,JUST LET ME KNOW, NOW HIM AND CHARLIE CAN STILL TALK ABOUT THEM RED FOXES--YOU ALL ARE IN MY PRAYERS###imported-begin##Patty Gainey###imported-end##

October 17, 2010 at 08:05 AM



“ Sue and Mark, my family and I are sad to hear of Lukie's passing. I know my Dad will miss seeing him at the beach. You are in our prayers.###imported-begin##Wes Smith###imported-end##

October 17, 2010 at 05:02 AM



“ Lukie was one of the greatest guys I've ever know. He and Sue were loved by my parents and family and were dear friends. They spent alot of time together and had alot of fun. They were always there when you needed them. Lukie will truly be nmissed. All our love & prayers go out to Sue and Mark.##imported-begin## Mike & Barbara Anderson##imported-end##

October 16, 2010 at 11:51 PM



“ Sue, Mark, and the rest of the family,

We are very sorry to hear about Lukie. He will truly be missed, he was a very special individual. We want you all to know that you all will be in our thoughts and prayers. The best RED Fox Fan that ever lived! We will miss him greatly.

Ron & Carole Howard##imported-begin##Ron & Carole Howard##imported-end##

October 16, 2010 at 10:48 PM



“ Dear Sue, Mark and Family,

We are so sorry to hear about Lukie. He was one of kind and he will be greatly missed. Always enjoyed getting to talk with him at the shop or giving him a ride back when he dropped off a car. We always had nice talks. We know this is a difficult time but hope you know that thoughts and prayers are with you. May God Bless and keep you close.

Love you all,

Crystal Danny Cameron and Danielle Minnehan##imported-begin##Crystal Talbert Minnehan##imported-end##

October 16, 2010 at 10:21 PM



“ Sue, Mark and Melanie....
We are so sorry for your loss. Lukie was one of a kind - and will be missed by all who knew and loved him. Your family will be in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Johnny & Susan Goode##imported-end##

October 16, 2010 at 09:32 PM



“ I feel lucky to be able to have called Mr.RED FOX my friend. There was never a dull moment at a Red Foxes football or baseball game when Lukie was there. Thank God we have those memories. Ms. Watkins and family I hope you can find some comfort knowing that alot of people loved and will miss Lukie. My thoughts and prayers are and will continue to be with you during this trying time. Rest in peace Mr.RED FOX##imported-begin##Kent Funderburke##imported-end##

October 16, 2010 at 07:50 PM



“ TO WATKINS FAMILY, WE HAVE YOUR FAMILY IN OUR PRAYERS. SO SORRY TO HEAR OF YOUR LOSS. ANYTIME YOU NEED US LET US KNOW.##imported-begin##TUB AND CAROL BEASLEY##imported-end##

October 16, 2010 at 07:48 PM



“ Watkins family, we are sorry to learn of the loss of Lukie. He was a true Red Fox fan. He touched the lives of those he came in contact with. Our prayers are with you during this difficult time.##imported-begin##Wayne & Edna Sims##imported-end##

October 16, 2010 at 07:40 PM



“ Sue, Mark and family: We are so sad for you but know that many people have such fun memories of Lukie. I know we both can never forget some of his tales at the ballgames. He was a card! Our hearts go out to you as we think of you and pray for God to give you strength.

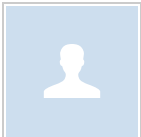
Billy and Gayle###imported-begin##Billy and Gayle
McDonald###imported-end##

October 16, 2010 at 07:30 PM



“ Sorry for your loss your family will be in our thoughts.
Johnny and Tammy Morrison###imported-begin##Johnny and
Tammy Morrison###imported-end##

October 16, 2010 at 07:11 PM



“ Sue, Mark and family, just want to let you know we will miss
Lukie. Our thoughts and prayers are with you now and always. His
sense of humor and crazy laugh will never be forgotten!!###imported-
begin##Shannon Watkins Lyerly###imported-end##

October 16, 2010 at 02:59 PM



“ Our hearts are just broken! Lukie always made us smile and he
always called me "Sugar". We have so many memories of our times
together. Sue and Mark, you are in our thoughts and prayers. We
love you!

Carolyn###imported-begin##Rick and Carolyn Atkinson###imported-
end##

October 16, 2010 at 02:53 PM



“ Sue, Mark and family. Jimmy and I just wanted you to know that we are praying for you during this sad time. We will miss Lukie but we all have good memories. May God give you the strength to get through this, if you need us for anything just let us know. ##imported-begin## Rita White ##imported-end##

October 16, 2010 at 02:06 PM



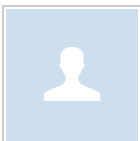
“ Though no words can really help to ease this loss, just know that you are very close in every thought and prayer. ##imported-begin## Maxine Haywood and Family ##imported-end##

October 16, 2010 at 01:24 PM



“ I will miss you Mr. Red Fox. Always see you and speaking with you about the Foxes and the GameCock's.
Bought my first of many Fords from you, back in 1976.
My God bless you and your family.
Thanks for being a friend. ##imported-begin## David Perkinson ##imported-end##

October 16, 2010 at 01:14 PM



“ Mrs Sue and Mark and Family

All of you are in my thoughts and prayers.

I pray that God wraps his loving arms around you and gives you the strength and comfort you need during this difficult time. ##imported-begin## Chellie Hunt Atkinson ##imported-end##

October 16, 2010 at 12:29 PM



“ Sue, Mark and grand-children - I am so very sorry for not only your loss, but Hartsville's loss. As you know, Lukie was a classmate (HHS Class of '61). We could always depend on Lukie to help with and attend our class reunions. I can still see him "cutting loose" and "twisting" in front of everybody at our 25th! I know you will miss him as a husband, father and grand-father. We will miss him as a dear classmate and friend. He was a true Red Fox.##imported-begin##Wayne Stratton Wallace##imported-end##

October 16, 2010 at 12:06 PM



“ Mark, Melanie and Sue, we are thinking and praying for you at this time. Lukie was special to a lot of people in many different ways. He always picked at me about how Cash would be a future Red Fox player, I'll miss that!##imported-begin##Glenda & Bogan O'Neal##imported-end##

October 16, 2010 at 11:30 AM



“ My heart is broken. I always looked forward to seeing Lukie at the Red Fox games. He would occasionally bring me boiled peanuts for the game. If he could not find me he would slip them in my car and when I would see them I would know they were from Lukie. Lukie not only was an avid football and baseball fan, he was a Red Fox Fan. He was at volleyball, track, tennis, softball and even some middle school games. During basketball season, I would always pull up a chair so he could sit on the wall even though I was breaking the rule of no one standing or sitting against the wall. He asked me if he would have a good sit in the new gym. I told him it would be the best in the house. I will keep that promise and will think of him every time we play a game in our new gym. I am going to miss Lukie. The Red Foxes have lost one of our greatest fans and I have lost a buddie. Sue and Mark, you are in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Phyllis Griggs##imported-end##

October 16, 2010 at 10:43 AM



“ Please except our condolences. Your family will be in our thoughts and prayers.

Jennifer & Gene Chapman
& family##imported-begin##Jennifer & Gene Chapman##imported-end##

October 16, 2010 at 10:37 AM