



Rory Alan Graham

March 28, 1955 - April 6, 2008

A celebration of life for Rory Alan Graham, 53, will be held from 5-8 p.m. Saturday, April 12, 2008 at the residence, 2635 Tomahawk Rd. Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home is serving the family. Memorials may be made to the McLeod Hospice, 555 E. Cheves, Florence, SC 29506 or www.caringbridge.org. In honor of Rory's request, there will be no funeral services. Mr. Graham died Sunday, April 6, 2008. Born in Florence, SC, he was a son of Johnie L. Graham and the late Ruby Johnson Graham. He was a graduate of Locksmithing Institute of Little Falls, New Jersey and was a member of the Associated Locksmiths of America Inc. (ALOA), the National Locksmith Association and the S.C. Locksmith Association

Surviving are his father, of Hartsville; sister and brother-in-law, Ann and Billy Atkins of Hartsville, SC; brother and sister-in-law, Johnie L. and Ann Graham, Jr. of Hartsville; companion, David Wilkie of Hartsville, SC.

Tribute Wall



“ My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. There is no easy way, but his happiness will be found on the other side. Bless his soul and bless all of you. Always..##imported-begin##Suzanne Ferrence##imported-end##

April 12, 2008 at 03:28 PM



“ I am so sorry to hear about the loss of Rory. I was looking at my brother's guest book and saw. He was so sweet to me when we went to school together. I think he was liked by everyone. If over the years if he continued down the same path and by the sweet look on his face, I'm sure he did, that he is with GOD now. He knew my brother also Kenneth Warren. You have my deepest sympathy and prayers. GOD bless his family and loved ones. Debra Warren Crowley, from Hartsville but in NC the last 26 years.##imported-begin##Debra Warren Crowley##imported-end##

April 09, 2008 at 10:17 PM



“ David - We are so sorry for your loss. I do wish we could come to the celebration of life, but we will be at our new great grandson's christening in North Carolina. You all are in our prayers. Pat Ivey##imported-begin##Pat and Les Ivey##imported-end##

April 09, 2008 at 05:01 PM



“ My deepest sympathy goes out to David and the family. Rory was always a wonderful person who I have enjoyed having several conversation with and always thought so much of. He will be greatly missed!###imported-begin##Jennifer Curtis-Chapman###imported-end##

April 09, 2008 at 12:12 PM



“ Dear Johnny and family, I was so sorry to hear that Rory had died. We were in school together and had known each other for years. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Cliff & Robin Lane.###imported-begin##Robin Lane###imported-end##

April 09, 2008 at 11:34 AM



“ David and family,
My thoughts are with you at this time.###imported-begin##Gail Bowen###imported-end##

April 09, 2008 at 10:49 AM



“ David, I am so sorry. You are in my thoughts and prayers. I love ya... You know where I am if you need me for anything. Hugs my friend. Roberta###imported-begin##Roberta O'Steen###imported-end##

April 08, 2008 at 07:42 PM



“ *David, our deepest sympathy goes out to you and the Graham family. Know that you are in our thoughts & prayers and that we are here to help if you need it.*

Marty & Roberta##imported-begin##*Marty & Roberta* ##imported-end##

April 08, 2008 at 07:35 PM



“ *To the whole family of Rory, my heart is heavy and so saddened, but filled with many great memories of Rory. I will always fondly remember his wonderful abilities especially his great tap dancing. He was a big inspiration to me in our early years with Lawhon School of Dance. I will pray for all of you to have strength.*##imported-begin##*Brenda Cranford*##imported-end##

April 08, 2008 at 09:42 AM



“ *Graham Family: I will cherish the many times I came into the store and would be greeted by Rory or happened to have a conversation with him. What a kind, gentle, and understanding man. My thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time. We never know why things happen but God has a reason for everything. May you find peace in his wisdom and grace.*##imported-begin##*Judy Haenni*##imported-end##

April 08, 2008 at 09:12 AM



“ *Graham Family, We are so sorry for your loss. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time that God will provide you with comfort. Love, Jenny & Clay##imported-begin##Jenny & Clay Hostetler##imported-end##*

April 08, 2008 at 08:55 AM



“ *May God give you strength during this Difficult time....sharon##imported-begin##sharon kelly##imported-end##*

April 07, 2008 at 10:39 PM



“ *David,
sorry to hear of your loss of your special friend and companion. My God you strenght during this difficult time in your life...I will keep you in my prayers David. see you soon
Sharon##imported-begin##sharon kelly##imported-end##*

April 07, 2008 at 10:36 PM



“ *Dear David, My prayers are with you. I am sorry about your loss.##imported-begin##Irene Ingram##imported-end##*

April 07, 2008 at 07:32 PM



“ *In times like these, it is hard not to question why things happen the way they do. We are not suppose to demand to understand but God says it is ok to question. We know that one day all things will be revealed to us and then we will know what God's plan was and how He used people and events for his purpose. It is so hard to lose a dear one. I know so well because I recently lost my best friend, my mother, but with God's strength and love he can heal a broken heart and fill that vacant spot that is left in our lives. I pray that you find that peace and remember along with God all of us are here for you and the family.*

We will keep you all in our prayers.

Love in Christ,

Reba Goff

Mr. B's###imported-begin##Reba Goff###imported-end##

April 07, 2008 at 07:02 PM



“ *David,*
I was so sorry to hear about Rory. My thoughts and prayers are with you and the entire family.

Sincerely,

Susan###imported-begin##Susan Hudson###imported-end##

April 07, 2008 at 04:58 PM



“ *I was very saddened when I heard of Rory. My thoughts and prayers are of you in the days ahead.*

Sincerely,

Terri Woodham###imported-begin##Terri Woodham###imported-end##

April 07, 2008 at 02:34 PM



“ David,

My deepest condolences to you. You are in my thoughts and prayers. May God grant you strength and comfort each day.

With deepest sympathy,

Lisa Alewine##imported-begin##Lisa Alewine##imported-end##

April 07, 2008 at 01:01 PM



“ David: I am so sorry to hear of your loss. You and the entire family are in my thoughts and prayers. Debbie##imported-begin##Debbie Watkins##imported-end##

April 07, 2008 at 12:30 PM



“ Dear David and the entire Graham Family

Rory was a special person! From the time we began dancing together at Lawhon's School of Dance (many moons ago) throughout his life and our friendship he was of such CONSTANT good character. Always ready with a smile, never in too much of a hurry to help, willing to listen, and of course get me and my boys in the car or house!

Sid and I consider ourselves fortunate to have called Rory Graham our friend. Our love and prayers for Peace to all of you.##imported-begin##Madge Zemp##imported-end##

April 07, 2008 at 10:32 AM



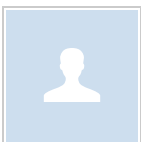
“Graham Family, our prayers are with you all. Please know that you can call on us at any time. We pray God's blessings upon you. Hold on to the memories. Rory will be missed dearly. In Christ, Kevin Walters, Scott Brown, Mark Bowers, Jeanette Simpson, Lori Atkinson & Tracie Brown.##imported-begin##West Hartsville Baptist Church##imported-end##

April 07, 2008 at 09:00 AM



“To the Family, I was shocked to hear of Rory's passing. He has been a very good friend. I would drop in and have some keys made at his shop. He was always a friendly person. And he went the extra mile when he went out on calls. He seemed like he didn't mind at all. He really enjoyed his work as he was a hard worker. He will be missed by the many people in the Hartsville Community who knew him. I was honored to know him as a friend. The family will be in my thoughts and prayers that God will give you the comfort that you need in the days ahead.##imported-begin##Grady O'Neal##imported-end##

April 06, 2008 at 08:51 PM



“Graham Family, I am so sorry for your loss. Rory was a good friend and a very special person. He will be greatly missed. Love and prayers to all of you. The Pait's##imported-begin##Rayford & Carolyn Pait##imported-end##

April 06, 2008 at 08:30 PM



“ David & Greg: I am so sorry about Rory. We never know why things like this happen to good people. We just have to remember that he is in a better place where there is no suffering.

My thoughts and prayers are with you in your time of sorry.

I would like to make a memorial to Black Creek Arts Council in his name.##imported-begin##David##imported-end##

April 06, 2008 at 08:18 PM



“ Mr. Graham, we are so sorry to hear about Rory. You and all of your family are in our thoughts and prayers. "Be strong and of good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them: for the Lord thy God, He it is that doth go with thee; He will not fail thee, nor forsake thee"...Deut.31:6. Janice & Mike##imported-begin##Mike & Janice Smith##imported-end##

April 06, 2008 at 05:39 PM



“ We have learned that Rory is no longer with us. Our prayers are with each of you. To God be the glory!!!
Isaiah 43:5##imported-begin##Wayne & Edna Sims##imported-end##

April 06, 2008 at 05:09 PM



“ *My precious friend Rory. You will be missed so much. You were such a "special" friend to me. I remember our days at Hartsville High and our good times in marching band. What fun we had. I remember our last hug in the post office several months ago. It had been a long time since I had seen you and I saw the wonderful man you had become. You were so handsome and just as sweet. I will always treasure that day in the post office, but most of all that "big hug" and your beautiful smile. I'll miss you my friend, but I will keep you in my heart. Goodbye Rory, until we meet again....Love, Roberta Driskell-O'Steen##imported-begin##Roberta Driskell-O'Steen##imported-end##*

April 06, 2008 at 04:43 PM