



William "Bill" Gunnells

June 24, 1930 - November 24, 2007

Funeral services for W. R. "Bill" Gunnells, 77, will be held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, December 1, 2007 at St. Luke United Methodist Church. The Rev. Tony Medlin will officiate and Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home is serving the family. The family will receive friends Saturday, December 1, 2007 following the service. Memorials may be made to the St. Luke United Methodist Church Building Fund, 302 Dunlap Dr., Hartsville, SC 29550. Mr. Gunnells died Saturday, November 24, 2007. Born in Florence, SC, he was a son of the late Reuben Leroy and Juanita Rogers Gunnells. He was a member of St. Luke United Methodist Church for 40 years and retired from Sonoco Products Co.

Surviving are his wife, Betty Gunnells of Hartsville, SC; daughters and son-in-law, Shelley and Michael Bowen of Chapin, SC, Vi Melissa Humphries of Irmo, SC; brother and sister-in-law, Marvin and Chris Gunnells of Columbia, SC; grandchildren, Ryan Bowen of Irmo, SC, Hanna Bowen of Chapin, SC, Ali Bowen of Chapin, SC, Coleman Humphries of Irmo, SC, Cory Humphries of Irmo, SC. He was preceded in death by his brother, R. D. Gunnells.

Previous Events

Service

DEC 1. 2:00 PM (ET)

St. Luke Methodist Church
302 Dunlap Dr.
Hartsville, SC

Tribute Wall

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“ Robert Andrews lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Gunnells



Robert Andrews - July 11, 2025 at 10:04 PM



“ Ms Betty, Shelley, & Vi

I was sorry to read about Bill's passing. You were the best neighbor's. I have lots of fond memories living on the lake next door to the Gunnells. Filling up the pool with artesian water, learning to water ski, driving Bill's MG to Columbia to register for school. Even my boys remember the nice man that would let them swim in the pool.

Saying goodbye is hard but you will always have the cherished time together.

Thanks for all the memories.

Sharon###imported-begin##Sharon Thomson###imported-end##

November 30, 2007 at 08:27 PM



“ Shelley & Family, My thoughts and prayers are with each of you during this time - I truly understand what you are going through as I lost my mother last month - remember all of the good times and that will help you keep smiling - also know that God is with you and will help you each day - Please let me know if there is anything I can do for you - much love - Lynda###imported-begin##Lynda S. Weatherford###imported-end##

November 30, 2007 at 04:15 PM



“ Love you##imported-begin##Pat Spivey##imported-end##

November 30, 2007 at 03:09 PM



“ Betty, Vi, Shelley,

*Oh- how many wonderful memories I have of being with you all.
Betty...you and Bill always treated me like I was your
own...wheather I wanted you to or not!*

*Bill Gunnells (as the rest of you) will always have a special place in
my heart!*

Vi and Shelly...we were blessed with great Fathers!

My thoughts and prayers are with you all at this time of great loss.

*Madge Windham Zemp##imported-begin##Madge
Zemp##imported-end##*

November 29, 2007 at 10:49 PM



“ Sorry to hear about Bill I worked for him in the 70`s he was one of
the best. Ronnie##imported-begin##Ronnie Buck##imported-end##

November 28, 2007 at 09:30 PM



“ Dear Mrs. Gunnells, Vi and Shelley,
I was so sadden to hear about Mr. Gunnells. I know this is a difficult time for your family. The people of Hartsville were blessed to have known and loved him and he will be missed. Know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and I hope this will bring you comfort.

God Bless,
Luan###imported-begin###Luan Jeffords###imported-end##

November 28, 2007 at 03:33 PM



“ To the Gunnell family,
I am so sorry to hear of your loss. No doubt this is a very difficult time that you are going through. Although I admit I didn't get to know Mr. Gunnell personally it is evident he was a very loved man. I thought that the scripture at John 5:28,29 might be of encouragement to you for here it tells us that the time is coming in which all those who have died will hear Jesus' voice and be raised from the grave. What a joyous time it will be when you can welcome back Mr.Gunnell to a beautiful clean earth as the bible promises it will be. (revelation 21:4) Please be assured that you are in our thoughts.###imported-begin###Ms. Smith###imported-end##

November 28, 2007 at 11:26 AM



“ Mrs. Betty and family, I am sorry to hear of Mr. Bill's passing. I am thankful for all of the good times I had talking to Mr. Bill. If there is anything I can do for you please dont hesitate to call. You are in our prayers.

Betsy & Howard Moore III###imported-begin###Betsy Moore###imported-end##

November 27, 2007 at 08:54 PM



“ Please know you all are in our thoughts and prayers and we are so saddened to hear of your loss. Your family holds a special place in our hearts forever. We love you. Clair and Dick
Lauren, Cannon and Eric Wier###imported-begin###Dick and Clair Wier###imported-end##

November 27, 2007 at 06:30 PM



“ Shelly,
My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time. Know the Lord and everyones prayers will carry you through this sad time. Know my family is with you in all our thoughts and prayers. With love. Agnes###imported-begin###Agnes Lyles###imported-end##

November 27, 2007 at 01:32 PM



“ Vi and Family, I am sorry to hear about your Dad. I will keep you and your family in my prayers. Jeri A. Cox###imported-begin###Jeri Atkinson Cox###imported-end##

November 27, 2007 at 09:56 AM



“ Betty and Family:
We are sorry to hear about the passing of your dear love one. Just know that our prayers and thoughts are with each of you and we pray that you will let God be your guide. I hope you will hold on to all the good memories and as time goes by the days will get a little easier. Again, our prayers are with all of you. Love In Christ.
Lee & Martin###imported-begin###Lee & Martin Davis###imported-end##

November 26, 2007 at 05:18 PM



“ *My thoughts are with all of you now. Please know that my family feels for you in the loss of your husband, father, and grandfather. We are fortunate to have had the chance to know him and to have shared in so many of your life experiences with him. Share with us your grieving. We love all of you.##imported-begin##Gail Bowen##imported-end##*

November 26, 2007 at 03:53 PM



“ *You all are in our prayers. We love each and every one of you all, and our prayers and thoughts are with yall. May God pick up your spirits and take all burdens away. If there is anything we can do, please call... Love, Tripp, Barbie, and Harleigh lyles.##imported-begin##Tripp, Barbie, and Harleigh Lyles##imported-end##*

November 26, 2007 at 12:13 PM