



Randy Mitchell

September 16, 1950 - October 5, 2014

Mr. Randy Mitchell, 64, of Saluda, passed away on Sunday, October 5, 2014 from injuries incurred during an accident on his family farm. Born September 16, 1950, he was the son of Rudolph Mitchell and the late Lenora Werts Mitchell.

Randy is survived by his wife of 36 years, Wanda Joyner Mitchell; four children whom he adored – Amy Lenora M. Harper (Brandon) of Richland, Washington; Jason Rudolph Mitchell (Cory) of Simpsonville; Lauren Elizabeth Mitchell and Jeremy Randolph Mitchell both of Saluda; father – Rudolph Mitchell (Faye), sister Molly Mitchell Spearman (Bill) of Saluda; grandchildren – Ava Grace and Layla Rae Harper; and Whitney Marie Mitchell; a host of family members and friends who loved him dearly and appreciated the way he was always ready to help them.

Randy graduated from Hollywood High School in 1968 and his best memories were his days on the basketball court with his team. That love of basketball continued throughout his days at Spartanburg Methodist College and Lander College, where he graduated with a B.S. in Physical Education. He instilled a love of basketball with his children by volunteering to coach their youth teams and cheering them on in every game.

He loved working on the rolling hills of his family farm in Saluda County where

he built a prize winning herd of Guernsey Cattle, a producer of Louis Rich turkeys, and a large herd of Black Angus Beef Cattle. Always giving back to the community, he served as Vice-Chairman of the Saluda County Council 1981 – 87, Saluda County Probate Judge 1987 – 98, and was elected to the South Carolina Public Service Commission from July 1998 until his retirement 2013. During his tenure on the PSC, he served as Chairman 2004-06 and was selected to the Universal Services Administrative Company Board of Directors and the Federal – State Joint Board on Universal Service.

In his community he served as President of the Hollywood Ruritan Club and enjoyed the monthly supper meetings and annual machinery sale. He was a life-long member of Hickory Grove Advent Christian Church.

Randy loved to laugh, to enjoy the peaceful country-side, to ride through the fields of Saluda County, to talk politics, but most of all, to be with his family and friends. He will be dearly missed by all who knew him.

Visitation will be held at Ramey Funeral Home, 202 N. Rudolph St, Saluda on Wednesday, October 8 from 6-8 p.m. Services will be held at Hickory Grove Advent Christian Church, 340 Hickory Grove Road, Saluda on Thursday, October 9 at 11 a.m. The family requests that memorial contributions be made to Hickory Grove Church, or to the Hollywood Ruritan Club, 2563 Denny Hwy., Saluda, SC 29138.

Cemetery Details

Hickory Grove Advent Christian Church Cemetery

340 Hickory Grove Rd.
Saluda, SC 29138

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 8. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Ramey Funeral Home
202 N Rudolph St
Saluda, SC 29138
(864) 445-2366

Funeral

OCT 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

Hickory Grove Advent Christian Church
340 Hickory Grove Rd.
Saluda, SC 29138

Tribute Wall



“ I love you, Daddy. I miss you so much. But, I know you’re always with me. I am so grateful that I was lucky enough to call you Dad... love you forever.



Lauren Mitchell - March 18 at 05:39 PM



“ Wanda, my love and prayers are with you in the loss of your dear husband, Randy. I know he was a great man and you will sorely miss him. I think of you often and and would love to see you and Faye. Hang in there and let the Lord guide you during this most difficult time. He will give you the peace that passes all understanding. My love and deepest sumpathy. Sandra Kelly Royson Moon.

Sandra Kelly Moon - October 14, 2014 at 03:47 PM



“ Randy always had a youthful spirit and a contagious laugh. I will never forget our times of coaching basketball together. He was a good friend and neighbor. My condolence goes out to the entire Mitchell family.

Tim Riley - October 12, 2014 at 08:48 AM

“ I am so sorry of the loss of Mr. Mitchell. I met Mr. Mitchell at Herndon Chevrolet and had a very pleasant conversation. He and his daughter, Lauren came to buy a car from us. With just the little time I spoke with him, I could tell he was a wonderful man. Lauren and I have spoken since and he is a great father to all of his children and grands along with being a great husband to his loving wife, and will continue to watch over them. With all the kindness of both of her parents Lauren follows both of there footsteps, he has done a great job of being there father and great friend, I have been told and witnessed. My prayers are with all of you. Mr. Mitchell is in a great place and looking down on all the people that love him and miss him. I have a great saying given to me when I lost both my parents and best friend Vikki Amick and I hear this in my head all the time. Please let me share alittle:

If parting has left a void, then fill it with remembered joy, a friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, ah yes these things I too will miss. Be not burdened with the time of sorrow, I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My life's been full, I savoured much, good friends , good times, a loved ones touch. Perhaps my time seemed all to brief, dont lengthen it now with undue grief, lift up your heart and share with me, God wanted me now, He set me free.

This to me was so inspiring to know that they do have things that were left unsaid but seem to pass through hands to speak to friends of how he is now with our lord and savior. He is an angel looking down to protect his family and friends and all the people in the world that may need him to help the lord spread his work and words.

*My thoughts are with all of you in the family and friends of Mr. Mitchell. May god bless each and everyone of you at this very emotional time and loss of a good man.
I pray for your healing.*

*Cindy I. Roof
lexington, S.C.*

CINDY ROOF - October 11, 2014 at 08:59 AM

AE

“ *To the Mitchell family, I am so sorry to hear about the loss of Mr. Randy. I will be forever thankful for the love and attention he gave me along the years. I will never forget his warm smile and caring spirit. I'm blessed to say God gave me with such a great mentor. My thoughts and prayers are with the family. May God continue to comfort you all in your time of need.*

Albert Etheredge - October 09, 2014 at 06:44 PM

TA

“ *To The Family: Prayers go out to all of you for the tragedy in your lives right now. May God & His Angels wrap arms and wings around you and stay with you for a long, long time. In Sympathy, Tammy Vance & Duane Shealy*

Tammy - October 09, 2014 at 02:03 PM

PD

“ *Molly,
Bill and I send our deepest sympathy to you and your family. Know that we are thinking of you at this difficult time.
Love and prayers,
Pat Dillard*

Patricia K Dillard - October 09, 2014 at 09:32 AM

BH

“ *Mr. Rudolph and Molly, So sorry to hear of Randy's passing. The peace of Jesus be yours in His fullness. He sustains you in this day. Peace and comfort be yours in His presence.*

Ben W Herlong - October 09, 2014 at 08:19 AM

LH

“ *Lawrence Bradley Sr / Sr. Health&Life lit a candle in memory of Randy Mitchell*



Lawrence Bradley Sr / Sr. Health&Life - October 09, 2014 at 12:46 AM

LS

“ *Lawrence Bradley Sr lit a candle in memory of Randy Mitchell*



Lawrence Bradley Sr - October 09, 2014 at 12:44 AM

LG

“ *Lauren, I am so sorry to hear about your father. My heart breaks for you. You and your family are in my prayers. May God hold your hand as you walk through these difficult days, may his love shine down on your family. Laura George*

Laura George - October 09, 2014 at 12:13 AM

CA

“ *Jeremy and Jason,*

I'm extremely sorry to hear about your loss. I recently went through what you all are going through and all I can say is remember the wonderful man Randy was and all the great life lessons he taught you. I'm praying hard for you and your family.

-Cassius and the Bosket Family

Cassius - October 08, 2014 at 08:52 PM

LS

“ We are so sorry. Love and prayers.

Laney, Bryan, Ethan and Luke Shealy

Laney Shealy - October 08, 2014 at 05:12 PM

LH

“ Mr. Rudolph and Molly, I was so sorry to hear today, Wednesday, about the passing of Randy. God bless each of you with extra strength, courage, comfort, and peace now and always. Larry and Linda Hodge, Hartsville, S. C.

Linda Hodge - October 08, 2014 at 02:25 PM

WC

“ Wanda Dawkins Camp lit a candle in memory of Randy Mitchell



Wanda Dawkins Camp - October 08, 2014 at 12:32 PM

WC

I am so very sorry to hear of Randy's passing, but know that heaven's gates awaits another wonderful person! Hugs to the family!

Wanda Dawkins Camp - October 08, 2014 at 12:35 PM

CG

Remembering you all in prayer & with deepest sympathy. Carrie Lou & Mickey Green

Carrie L Green - October 08, 2014 at 01:32 PM

YI

“ *Your Friends at American Carolina Insurance purchased the European Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of Randy Mitchell.*



Your Friends at American Carolina Insurance - October 08, 2014 at 10:48 AM

AW

“ *We are very sorry to hear of Randy's accident and passing. I enjoyed talking to Randy a few years ago when we last were together. Randy, Molly, Mr and Mrs. Mitchell have always been very good friends to our family. We will be praying for you all.*

Al, Pam, Ethan, Shannon, Algy and Ceil Williams Hartsville, SC

Al Williams - October 08, 2014 at 08:35 AM

VH

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. I was very sorry to hear of Randy's passing away. He will be missed by all that knew him and loved him. He was a great inspiration to be around with his great smile and gentle ways.*

Velda C Howard and family.

Velda Howard - October 08, 2014 at 07:48 AM

TF

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with Randy's family and friends during this difficult time. Randy is a true "southern gentleman" and a great public servant, as is Mr. Rudolph and Molly and others in the family...I share his love of public service work as well as our love for the farm and our cattle. Wanda, we will surely be thinking of you and your children during this sorrowful time! Love, Toney and Gloria Farr, Union, South Carolina

Toney L. Farr - October 08, 2014 at 03:54 AM

MM

“ Mike McCarter lit a candle in memory of Randy Mitchell



Mike McCarter - October 07, 2014 at 11:46 PM

MM

Jason, I am so sorry for your loss. It meant a lot to me for you to call at your Dads passing. Just in your conversation about the farm and your Dad, I know that he was not only your Dad but your best friend. Just in knowing you for this short time according to your conversation he was a great influence on your life. You have more integrity than anyone I have meeting in a long time. Not getting to meet your Dad but knowing you I see that his life spoke volumes. My thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family.

Mike McCarter

As a father has compassion for his children, so the Lord has compassion for those who fear God. As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you, says the Lord.

Ps. 103:13; Isa. 66:13

Mike McCarter - October 08, 2014 at 12:24 AM

AR

“ Randy will be missed by so many, because he was loved by so many. He will be waiting for all of us just inside the eastern gate. Our love and prayers go out to all the family.

Fred and Althea Rude

Althea Rude - October 07, 2014 at 11:40 PM

AR

“ Althea Rude lit a candle in memory of Randy Mitchell



Althea Rude - October 07, 2014 at 11:27 PM

RW

“ Went to school with Randy,knew his dad an his sister.My deedpest sympathy to all the family.RIP Randy

Ray Wilson - October 07, 2014 at 09:39 PM

JB

“ Judy Brooks lit a candle in memory of Randy Mitchell



Judy Brooks - October 07, 2014 at 09:22 PM

JB

Lauren my heart hurts for you!!

Judy Brooks - October 07, 2014 at 09:23 PM

ND

“ *Niki DeYoung lit a candle in memory of Randy Mitchell*



Niki DeYoung - October 07, 2014 at 06:04 PM

ND

Jason and Cory, so sorry for your loss. Thinking of you and your family. Prayers said

Niki DeYoung - October 07, 2014 at 06:06 PM



“ *Donna Padgett lit a candle in memory of Randy Mitchell*



Donna Padgett - October 07, 2014 at 05:18 PM

BS

I didn't know Randy well, I only knew him through Wanda, My heart and my prayers are with the family,

Bess Skelton - October 07, 2014 at 05:51 PM

MA

“ *MarthaStorey lit a candle in memory of Randy Mitchell*



MarthaStorey - October 07, 2014 at 03:46 PM

MA

“ hey this is Martha Storey that went to school with Jason and Lauren and im so sorry for youll loss and youll is in my prayers and youll know that im thinking about youll at this loss and just put it in gods hands and he will be with youll and i really praying for Mrs Wanda Amy Lauren Jason and Jeremy tomorrow night when i go to church and im still praying for youll in my prayers and i love youll and i still praying for youll in my prayers

MarthaStory - October 07, 2014 at 03:40 PM

RR

“ IT IS WITH GREAT SORROW THAT WE HAVE HEARD OF THE PASSING OF RANDY MITCHELL. RANDY WAS A FRIEND AND WE FEEL FOR THE MITCHELL FAMILY. HE BE GREATLY MISSED BY EVERYONE BECAUSE OF HIS CARING FOR HIS FELLOW MAN. YOU WILL BE IN OUR PRAYERS AND MAY THE GOOD LORD GIVE YOU PEACE

REDD AND DORIS REYNOLDS - October 07, 2014 at 03:28 PM

KC

“ While I did not have the privilege of knowing Mr. Mitchell personally, I have worked closely with his sister, Molly Spearman, for many years and I recently had the honor of meeting his father, Rudolph Mitchell.
My condolences are extended to the family at this difficult and unfortunate time.

*Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth L. Childs*

Ken Childs - October 07, 2014 at 03:27 PM

DF

“ *May you find comfort in the love of family and friends and in God's love for each of you during the coming days.*

With deepest sympathy,

Dottie Pou Fowler

Dottie Pou Fowler - October 07, 2014 at 02:50 PM

LS

“ *Linda Smith lit a candle in memory of Randy Mitchell*



Linda Smith - October 07, 2014 at 12:53 PM

LS

“ *We are saddened to hear about the sudden loss of Randy. He was always so friendly and welcoming to Thompson and me at Farm Bureau events. We will certainly miss him! Our condolences to all the family members. We pray that God will help you get through this time of sorrow.*

*Our love and prayers,
Thompson and Linda Smith*

Linda Smith - October 07, 2014 at 12:52 PM

LG

“ Jason & Family, I am so sorry about your dad's death. May God give each of you added strength and peace during the coming days. My prayers and thoughts are with you.
LaNelle D. Grubbs at David Crotts & Assoc Ins. Co in Greenwood, SC

LaNelle D Grubbs - October 07, 2014 at 11:55 AM

TB

“ Sending love and prayers for the family of a wonderful loving husband and father. There are no other words than "we are so sorry for your loss". The Barfields

Tracy Barfield - October 07, 2014 at 10:39 AM

MM

“ Molly,
This letter is to express my deepest sympathy for your brother's passing. You and your family are in my prayers.
Maryjo Marcavage

Maryjo Marcavage - October 07, 2014 at 10:13 AM

KO

“ Komatsu purchased the Dish Garden with Fresh Cut Flowers for the family of Randy Mitchell.



Komatsu - October 07, 2014 at 10:01 AM

DB

“ *Sending love and tears to the Mitchell family and Hickory Grove Advent Christian Church, who in the face of great loss will once more pull together and find strength, confident God's love and sovereignty.* ”

Deborah McCarthy Bonnette - October 07, 2014 at 08:35 AM

DD

“ *Our thought and prayers go out to the entire Mitchell Family.* ”

*Dwight and Julia Davis
Batesburg*

Dwight and Julia Davis - October 07, 2014 at 08:28 AM

FO

“ *From Charleston BlueCross BlueShield Marketing Office purchased the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of Randy Mitchell.* ”



From Charleston BlueCross BlueShield Marketing Office -
October 07, 2014 at 08:18 AM

CE

“ *Candice & Luther Eargle lit a candle in memory of Randy Mitchell* ”



Candice & Luther Eargle - October 07, 2014 at 07:39 AM

SJ

“ We were so sorry to learn of Randy's passing. He was always such a kind, gentle man. We lift the family in prayer and pray your many wonderful memories will give you comfort, joy and peace now and in the days ahead. Be encouraged.

Senator and Mrs. John L. Scott, Jr.

Senator and Mrs. John L. Scott, Jr. - October 07, 2014 at 07:14 AM

GR

“ Wanda, my heart and my prayers are with you and your family. My thoughts have been back at the State Fair all those years ago when you two met. And then, of course, being there with you the night you were married. I am so sorry for your loss and want you to know we are thinking of you and love you.

Gloria and Gary Rowe

Gloria Rowe - October 07, 2014 at 06:43 AM

DR

MOLLY,
OUR CONDOLENCES TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY ON THE
UNTIMELY PASSING OF YOUR BROTHER. YOUR FAMILY IS IN
OUR PRAYERS.
DR, & MRS. PAUL T. RAWL

DR. & MRS. PAUL T. RAWL - October 07, 2014 at 08:53 AM

RB

“ Wanda, Amy, Jeremy, Lauren and Jason, Our hearts, prayers and love go out to you during this time of tragedy. If there is anything we can do we will be there. Phillip and Robin Baker

Robin Baker - October 07, 2014 at 05:17 AM

TC

“ Thinking of you!

Tammie W. Covington

Tammie Warren Covington - October 06, 2014 at 08:50 PM



“ Dish Garden with Fresh Cut Flowers was purchased for the family of Randy Mitchell.



October 06, 2014 at 08:44 PM



“ Dish Garden with Fresh Cut Flowers was purchased for the family of Randy Mitchell.



October 06, 2014 at 08:37 PM

JB

“ Jim & Jo Barnes purchased the Classic Sympathy Basket Arrangement for the family of Randy Mitchell.



Jim & Jo Barnes - October 06, 2014 at 07:56 PM



“ *Healing Tears - All White was purchased for the family of Randy Mitchell.*



October 06, 2014 at 07:26 PM



“ *Many fond memories of Randy and our father Dave chatting politics....and Tarheels ...over cake and punch in the Fellowship Hall. Take care dear family. The McCarthy Family.*

Denise McCarthy Kea - October 06, 2014 at 06:56 PM