



Mark Ronald Lawrence

April 13, 1954 - March 17, 2014

Mark Ronald Lawrence, 59, left this walk of life on March 17, 2014 to be in the arms of his Saviour.

He left behind his loving wife Darlene, of 39 years. He is also survived by his two beloved children: Ben Lawrence (Alissa) and Jessica Smith (Jeremy); eleven precious grandchildren: Kailey, Kyle, Kaleb, Ksenia, Kayzia and Kinley Lawrence, Larkyn, Laelyn, London, Lowen and Lanson Smith; devoted parents: Ron and Joy Lawrence; three brothers: Tim Lawrence (Janie), Peter Lawrence (Cathy), and Andy Lawrence (Rosana); sister-in-law, Elizabeth McLaughlin (Phil) and numerous nieces and nephews.

Mark was a godly man who served the Lord with all his heart even through very difficult times. He was very devoted to his wife, children, grandchildren and all his family. He is so loved and will be so very missed.

Mark's favorite scripture passage - Psalms 8:3-5 - "When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained; What is man, that thou art mindful of him? And the son of man that thou visitest him? For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honour."

The family will receive friends Thursday evening, March 20, 2014 from 6 - 8 p.m. at The Howze Mortuary. Travelers Rest.

Funeral services will be Friday afternoon, March 21, 2014 at 2 p.m. at Bible Baptist Church in Travelers Rest.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to Bible Baptist Church of Travelers Rest, P.O. Box 721, Taylors, SC 29687-0015.

Cemetery Details

Mountain View Memorial Park formerly Grand View Memorial Gardens

7 Duncan Rd.
Travelers Rest, SC

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **20**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

The Howze Mortuary
6714 State Park Rd./P.O. Box 369
Travelers Rest, SC

Church Service

MAR **21**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Bible Baptist Church
3446 Tigerville Rd.
Travelers Rest, SC 29690

Tribute Wall

LB

“ I had the privilege of knowing Mark for 20 years. I will always remember him with words of encouragement and a smile. He was such an example of the Christian life. He will be truly missed by our family.

Lisa Baille

Lisa Baille - March 21, 2014 at 09:19 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mark Ronald Lawrence.



March 21, 2014 at 08:38 AM

RE

“ Rebecca(Buddy) lit a candle in memory of Mark Ronald Lawrence



Rebecca(Buddy) - March 19, 2014 at 06:02 PM

KS

“ I worked with Mark at H2L for 14 years. Men don't come any better than Mark, but if you know him you already know this. My thoughts and prayers go out to the family during this difficult time.

*Karen Swan
Hulsey McCormick Wallace*

Karen Swan - March 19, 2014 at 05:53 PM

JS

“ In many ways Mark was the light that never went out at Bible Baptist Church, in many ways he used the wisdom that the LORD gave him to refuse to let the ministry fade as many others do when troubled times come. He was a faithful friend to many and a testimony everyday to all around him even when he was undergoing tremendous health burdens. I remember going over to him after church service on Sunday to shake his hand and say hello and ask how he was and there was always a smile on his face and a kind word spoken. I will miss him and his love for the ministry of Bible Baptist Church.

John Stephens - March 19, 2014 at 05:43 PM

TL

“ Some have asked about how I was doing. My response is that I have HOPE in that I will see my brother again. Mark realized as a young boy that he had done wrong things: we call it “sin”, and it’s inherent in all mankind. Even as a boy, he realized that there was nothing he could ever do to merit getting to heaven on his own, and he accepted the free gift of eternal life by asking Jesus Christ to be the Lord of his life and take away his debt of sin. As our understanding grew as we got older, we also realized that all who refuse that gift will never get to heaven (Christ’s words, not mine: “I am the (only) way, the truth, the life. No man cometh unto the Father but by me.”). Christ told one story of the rich man and Lazarus and the consequences for rejecting Him. No second chances—the choices we make here have eternal consequences. The good news? “God is not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.” And of course, John 3:16: “For God so loved the world (body of mankind) that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.” One day we will stand before Him to give an account of our lives. He will either be our Judge or our Savior. The choice is ours alone to make. Hebrews 9:27 tells us: “And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:”. Finally Jesus himself makes it very clear in Matthew 25:46 there are only two choices: “And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.”

There are many things in life I do not understand, nor do I profess to know all the answers. But this I do know, Mark is in the hands of his Savior and if it were possible for him to talk to you, he would beg you to receive that free gift for yourself.

Tim Lawrence - March 19, 2014 at 05:38 PM

TV

“ You shared your life with us. You shared your land and love. Good memories of sharing life, church building projects, and lazy river tubing afternoons. . Thank you. David and Theresa VanderJagt.

Theresa VanderJagt - March 19, 2014 at 04:29 PM

RB

“ *Darlene & Family,*

You are all in our prayers during this difficult time. Remember, HIS grace is sufficient!!!!

Ruth Spivey Barrett - March 19, 2014 at 04:17 PM

DC

“ *Dianne C. purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mark Ronald Lawrence.*



Dianne C. - March 19, 2014 at 01:42 PM

MS

“ *Our office has worked with Mark on many occasions and he has always been a man of great integrity and knowledge. We will miss working with him. Prayers and thoughts are with the family in their lost. May you have some peace knowing the lives he touched and the legacy he left.*

*Mary Ann Skelton
Miller/Player & Associates*

Mary Ann Skelton - March 19, 2014 at 12:10 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mark Ronald Lawrence.*



March 19, 2014 at 11:08 AM

DP

“ *I worked with Mark for 12 years at H2L, he was always there when you needed him, and always had a smile on his face. I can't say enough about him, he was such a wonderful person. You are all in my prayers, and know he is in a wonderful place.*

Doug Peterson - March 19, 2014 at 10:35 AM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Mark Ronald Lawrence.*



March 19, 2014 at 10:14 AM



“ *Gift of Grace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mark Ronald Lawrence.*



March 19, 2014 at 09:35 AM

DC

“ *I worked with Mark at Sitrine and later at The Peidmont Group and I always enjoyed our time together. All of us in this business change jobs so frequently, we lose touch too easily. I haven't seen Mark in several years. I am so sorry to hear of his passing. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.*
Dennis Cox

Dennis Cox - March 19, 2014 at 09:15 AM

PF

“ *Pat & Tracy Iannelli and the PDI Architecture family purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Mark Ronald Lawrence.*



Pat & Tracy Iannelli and the PDI Architecture family - March 19, 2014 at 08:13 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mark Ronald Lawrence.*



March 18, 2014 at 08:15 PM