



Michael Kevin Tilley

April 12, 1978 - January 8, 2010

MICHAEL KEVIN TILLEY GREENVILLE, SC

Michael Kevin Tilley, 31, passed away Friday, January 8, 2010 at Greenville Memorial Hospital.

Kevin was born in Greenville County and was a graduate of Clemson University with a degree in Architecture. He was employed with Robert C. Cashion Architect, an active member of the Greenville H2O Volkswagen Club and was of the Baptist faith.

He is survived by his wife of 5 years, Kelly Rose Tilley; son: Asher Michael Tilley; parents: Mike and Marie Tilley; mother: Teresa Bridwell Riddle; sister: Brooke Riddle and special nephew, Dreyton; brothers: Charlie Tilley and Clayton Tilley; maternal grandfather: William Bridwell and wife Sandra, maternal grandmother: Billie Ann Marcus and husband Albert; great-maternal grandmother: Ruth Bridwell; and best friend, Neal O'Shields.

He was predeceased by his paternal grandparents: Papa "Hoss" and Nannie "Kat" Tilley and step-grandparents: Johnny and Mary Ann Anderson.

The family will receive friends Sunday afternoon from 3 until 5 p.m. at The Howze Mortuary.

Funeral service will be held at 2:00 p.m. Monday afternoon at The Howze Mortuary Chapel. Burial will follow at Grandview Memorial Gardens.

The family will be at their respective homes.

Memorials may be made to the Heart Institute of GHS or HeartLife Center of GHS, 701 Grove Rd., Greenville, SC 29605-5601.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 10. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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

Service

JAN 11. 2:00 PM (ET)

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

Tribute Wall



“ Kelly,

Words just aren't enough at a time like this but I hope all the love and prayers from your family and friends are bringing you a touch of peace at this time. You and Kevin and your entire family have been on prayer lists literally all over the country by many who knew you both and also many who have never met you but deeply care about their fellow brother and sister in Christ. Right now, I think we're all asking ourselves "why", but only God fully understands his Master plan. He gave you the most precious gift to see you through this difficult time; a beautiful baby boy. Kevin will always be with you through Asher and I can only begin to imagine the deep, steadfast bond you will share as mother and son. And you both have a loving Guardian Angel always watching over you. There are so many of us that just want to hug you and do anything we can to help you and I hope you will never hesitate to lean on us for support. We will be with you and Asher every step of the way, always! PS. I guarantee you they are driving VW's in heaven!###imported-begin##Harriet Cash##imported-end##

January 15, 2010 at 10:30 AM



“ Dear Mike and Marie,

Words cannot express how sorry I am for your loss. I was not fortunate enough to have taught Michael, but I am sure that he was as wonderful as Clayton, afterall, he was your son. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Mrs. T.###imported-begin##barbara trammell##imported-end##

January 14, 2010 at 05:00 PM



“ To Mike Tilley, Sr & Family:

Mike, our thoughts & prayers go out to you and your family during this time of loss. As bereaved parents ourselves we know there is little that anyone can do or say to ease your pain at this time but know that you are not alone. Peace be with you and yours.

Steve###imported-begin##Steve & Cheryl Bennett###imported-end##

January 13, 2010 at 09:47 PM



“ Bill, Sandra, Kelly and Family.

We are sorry for your loss. You are in our prayers and thoughts. May God be with you.

Mauldin Paint & Body, Inc. Staff###imported-begin##Leslie, Ricky, Larry, Jason and Judy###imported-end##

January 13, 2010 at 05:59 PM



“ Kelly, I am at a complete loss for words. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family for the devastating news about Kevin, and at the same time I am so happy for you with the wonderful news on your new baby Asher.

My heart goes out to you. If there is anything I can do to help you and your family, please let me know.

Love, Terry###imported-begin##Terry Benda###imported-end##

January 13, 2010 at 11:42 AM



“ Kelly, My thoughts and prayers are with you during this most difficult time. Lean on God for strength and guidance he will see you through.###imported-begin##Teresa Bryant###imported-end##

January 13, 2010 at 10:42 AM



“ I received a prayer request for your husband Kevin through my mother and I had been praying for you all. I was deeply saddened by the news of his death when I heard and I felt compelled to write to you. I wanted you, his wife, to know that I can sympathize with you and understand your pain because I have experienced a similiar situation in my own life. My husband passed away 14 years ago at the age of 25 from cardiac arrhythmia. I was 8 months pregnant at the time and we had a 3 1/2 year old little girl. It was unexpected and I never would have imagined me being a single mother. My heart aches for you cause I know what you are feeling. I had a newborn 4 weeks after his death and I know you must be asking why me God? I did for a long time. But, I can write to you today and tell you that you will make it through this very hard time in your life. I am remarried now and have another child and couldn't be more blessed! God had been so good to me and He will be good to you too. I urge you to turn to Him and let God be your refuge and strength! He is the only one who got me through all those years alone and single. He comforted me and gave me a peace that passes all understanding! I don't know you, but I feel like I do because of your situation. I felt like noone understood what I was going through when my husband died and God sent me an "angel" who went through the same situation, almost verbatim. Even the names and ages were alike. It was such a relief to know somebody understood and could help me to deal with my grief. And I just wanted you to know that you are not alone! Somebody knows how you feel. I am praying for you and your family and I pray that you will find the peace and comfort through knowing Jesus Christ. God bless you!###imported-begin##Tara Harmon###imported-end##

January 12, 2010 at 03:39 PM



“ Kelly, Teresa and Brook and the rest of the family,

We are so sorry at the passing of Kevin. Please know you will all be in our prayers and thoughts. May Jesus be with you and grant you peace in the coming weeks!##imported-begin##Kelley Bracken-Rainey, Barbara K. Bracken##imported-end##

January 12, 2010 at 02:58 PM



“ Kelly and family:

My thoughts and prayers are with you. May beautiful memories sustain you during this time of sorrow.##imported-begin##Vicki Krouse##imported-end##

January 12, 2010 at 10:45 AM



“ Marie, Mike & family, we are so sorry to hear of Kevin's passing. Our hearts go out to you and we pray that God will wrap you in his loving arms during this sad time.##imported-begin##Claudia & Stan Hamilton##imported-end##

January 12, 2010 at 10:01 AM



“ To Kelly, and the entire Tilley family - There are no words that can ease your pain, but hopefully staring into that little ones eyes will give you a little comfort. Please know that my family is thinking of you, and we are here if you need anything. I am so very sorry for your loss.##imported-begin##Jennipher Coates##imported-end##

January 12, 2010 at 08:53 AM



“ To Kelly, and the entire Tilley Family, The only way I can make sense of this entire thing, is to really believe that Kevin was the angel that had come into all our lives and he stayed around just long enough to make sure that Baby Asher was safe in his mother's arms. He then went on to another family to help them, he will forever be our Guardian Angel and watch over us all. I will miss him more then words can ever explain, but he brought together quite a "blended family" that will forever be tied together at the heart. God Bless you Kevin..##imported-begin##Susan Rose##imported-end##

January 12, 2010 at 02:55 AM



“ Kelly and my beautiful nephew Asher, I know right now is a very hard time for you guys. I want you to know how much I love you. Kevin is now in heaven no longer in pain and sent an angel Asher to all of us so we never forget him.##imported-begin##Lauren Rose##imported-end##

January 12, 2010 at 02:46 AM



“ Kelly, We met Kevin at the Life Center just a few weeks ago. VC has had two heart surgeries also, he tried to encourage Kevin. Kevin was such a sweet young man, he talked about you expecting your baby and how proud he was. We had not seen him and was so worried about him. You and your family have our sympathy and in our prayers.
Jerrie & V.C. Reese##imported-begin##V.C. & Jerrie Reese##imported-end##

January 11, 2010 at 09:59 PM



“ Mike and Marie, I am so sorry for your loss. Having lost Ronny in May, I understand a little of what you are going through. The love and support of family and friends will help immeasurably; let them wrap you in caring arms....##imported-begin##Carol Stone Bridwell##imported-end##

January 11, 2010 at 06:42 PM



“ "Tilley" and Marie, and family, we are so sorry for your loss; words cannot express the sorrow you are feeling now. I am sorry I could not come see you, but I hope you enjoy the pecan pie I sent with Kevin. My brother-in-law(my sister's husband) just passed on new year's day unexpectedly; he was a "brother" to me. I know that cannot compare with what you all are feeling now, but please know I will be praying for God to comfort the whole family in the days to come. I remember fondly Tilley talking about Kevin, and all your children, way back in 1991-1992-1993 at Rental. Please take care.##imported-begin##Kevin & Pam Forrester##imported-end##

January 11, 2010 at 04:26 PM



“ To the entire Tilley family, I am so sorry for your loss. I can not begin to know what you all must be feeling, both joy at the birth of Asher and sadness for the loss of Kevin. I had the priviledge of graduating high school with Kevin, and even though I have not been in contact with Kevin since then, I am deeply saddened by his passing. I will keep your family in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Michelle (Eskew) Smith##imported-end##

January 11, 2010 at 04:03 PM



“ *To the family and friends of Kevin Tilly*

All employees at TPM offer our deepest sympathy to you during this difficult time.

As our customer,

Kevin was a pleasure to assist.

His kindness will be missed.##imported-begin##TPM Greenville Employees##imported-end##

January 11, 2010 at 02:10 PM



“ *Dear Kelly,*

We are so sorry to hear about your loss. You and Asher are in our thoughts and prayers.

Love,

Cory and Cheryl Pehl##imported-begin##Cory & Cheryl Pehl##imported-end##

January 11, 2010 at 02:05 PM



“ *Hello Mike I am so sorry for your loss.*

But remember the Lord has a plan for us all, and Kevin is a whole lot better off now than we are here in earth. I'm thinking about you and your family at this sad time, my prayers are with you.

Thanks Scott Turner##imported-begin##Scott Turner##imported-end##

January 11, 2010 at 11:47 AM



“ Dear Charlie & Clayton- I wish I had the words to express how deeply sorry I am. Always remember that he loved you very much!! Your memories of him & his love for the both you, will help you get through. I love you both & I love Mike & Marie dearly!!

Wanda Pitts##imported-begin##Wanda Pitts##imported-end##

January 11, 2010 at 11:20 AM



“ sorry to here about your loss.your in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##steven gouge##imported-end##

January 11, 2010 at 11:13 AM



“ Kelly,Asher & Family,My Thoughts and Prayer go out to you and your family.
I feel your pain as I also lost my husband some years ago.form Jennie @ Henry Schein..##imported-begin##Jennie Rosado##imported-end##

January 11, 2010 at 10:54 AM



“ My heart goes out to Kevin and his family. God has different plans for him, but he will truely be missed here on this earth.##imported-begin##Carol Behrens##imported-end##

January 11, 2010 at 10:40 AM



“ MY THOUGHT AND PRAYERS GOES OUT TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.##imported-begin##HELENA JEFFERS##imported-end##

January 11, 2010 at 10:40 AM



“ Kelly,
I am so sorry about your loss of Kevin. You and your new son (Asher) are in my prayers. I pray that God will give you strength through your hard times ahead.
God Bless You,
Karen##imported-begin##Karen Smith##imported-end##

January 11, 2010 at 10:37 AM



“ My family and I express our deepest sympathy.##imported-begin##Shunkisha Dirton##imported-end##

January 11, 2010 at 10:34 AM



“ Dear Teresa,
I am sorry to hear about your son.
Regards,
Dennis##imported-begin##Dennis Freeman##imported-end##

January 11, 2010 at 10:22 AM



“ Teresa,
As a Mother, my heart breaks at depth of your loss. Please know you're in my thoughts and constant prayers.

Love,
Rhonda and family##imported-begin##Rhonda Marcus
Plummer##imported-end##

January 11, 2010 at 10:17 AM



“ Please accept our condolences for your tragic loss.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you!##imported-begin##Mike
and Sandra Tutsie##imported-end##

January 11, 2010 at 10:02 AM



“ Teresa and family -- We are so sorry to hear about your loss and extend our deepest sympathies to you and your family.##imported-begin##Ralph Baylor & Harriet Smith##imported-end##

January 11, 2010 at 09:13 AM



“ Kelly, as a friend of yours and Kevin I am deeply saddened by his passing. I know God will get you through this time of grief, please accept my condolences and prayers.

Randy Moses (former co-worker and friend)##imported-begin##RANDY MOSES##imported-end##

January 11, 2010 at 08:36 AM



“ I only had a chance to know Kevin through work, but I can whole heartedly say that he was a wonderful and kind person. I know he will be sorely missed by all. My thoughts and prayers are with you in this difficult time.##imported-begin##Neal Segrest##imported-end##

January 11, 2010 at 08:28 AM



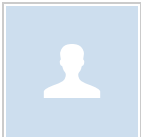
“ My deepest sympathy to the entire Tilley Family.##imported-begin##Dan O"Connell##imported-end##

January 11, 2010 at 08:19 AM



“ Mike and Marie,
We are praying for you and your family. So sorry for your loss.
Love,
Brad and Karen##imported-begin##Brad and Karen
Rampey##imported-end##

January 10, 2010 at 10:05 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers go out to the family during this most difficult time. Kevin was always a great kid and we are saddened by his loss. God bless, The Cisson Family##imported-begin##Brad, Jill, Lindsey and Brady Cisson##imported-end##

January 10, 2010 at 09:46 PM



“ Thinking of you and you are in our thoughts and prayers.
Keith and Anita(Batson)Simpson##imported-begin##Anita & Keith
Simpson##imported-end##

January 10, 2010 at 08:28 PM



“ Mike & Family-

I am so sorry that I could not make it to the funeral. (I wasn't told about it until after the fact). I love ya'll and am so sorry for the loss of Kevin. He is going to be missed terribly. My mom sends her sympathy also. I will try to see ya'll soon.##imported-begin##Melissa Tilley Lockaby##imported-end##

January 10, 2010 at 07:23 PM



“ Kelly, I am so sorry..I dont know what else to say. You, Kevin and Asher, are in my thoughts and prayers. Asher is a special little boy. He will always have his 'Daddy" as his special "Guardian Angel" always watching and protecting both you and him from above .##imported-begin##Sandy Winchester##imported-end##

January 10, 2010 at 07:16 PM



“ Mike and family, I like to believe that when GOD calls a loved one home that he leaves us with wonderful memories to help us through. It may not seem like much now, but the beautiful memories that you all have of Kevin will help you in days to come. Please know that I am praying for all of you.##imported-begin##Mitzi Pitts-Burrous##imported-end##

January 10, 2010 at 06:35 PM



“ We want to express our deepest sympathy to the Tilley family. My husband Michael works with Mike, and as you know, I just lost my brother unexpectedly at 35 years old. It's hard to accept when a person is so young, and we want to question why? Pray to God for your strength. We will be praying for you guys in the difficult days to come. God Bless!##imported-begin##Michael and Angie Gordon##imported-end##

January 10, 2010 at 04:21 PM

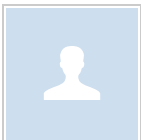


“ Dear Tilley Family,
God bless you at this time. Please know you are in my prayers and I know our Lord will bless you with His perfect peace.

You were remembered durint the service this morning at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church.

Love, Elaine Hardin##imported-begin##Elaine Bruce Hardin##imported-end##

January 10, 2010 at 04:19 PM



“ Dear Kelly and Family
Joel and I are so sorry for your loss
May the Lord Bless and Keep you and your Family During this Difficult Time

With all our Love
Patricia and Joel Timmons##imported-begin##Patricia & Joel Timmons##imported-end##

January 10, 2010 at 03:34 PM



“ I spoke with Kevin many times during the construction of our new church. He was always cordial, helpful and a delight to talk to. He was positive and encouraging. I never had the priviledge to meet him personally, but had great respect for his professionalism. My condolences to his wife and other family members.##imported-begin##Neil Marin##imported-end##

January 10, 2010 at 02:43 PM



“ Kelly, Asher and family. I am so very, very sorry for your loss. I wish there were something I could do or say that would make it stop hurting. I pray that Asher will be your strength and comfort. I will do everything I can to help you and Asher always. I know it is with both great joy and great grief that you have Asher. Please know my heart is breaking for you and your family. Whenever you need me, you can lean on me for anything. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Dena Goodwin##imported-end##

January 10, 2010 at 02:01 PM



“ Dear Kelly,

I'm very sorry of the loss of your beloved husband Kevin.No words can express how one feels at this time.Kevin did leave behind the greatest gift to you though,Little Asher! Always remember you have lots of family and friends that care and are constantly praying.I love that one saying"lt takes a villiage"..Well, Kelly we all will help in anyway possible to help you raise Asher!

God bless you!

Lisa##imported-begin##Lisa Barger##imported-end##

January 10, 2010 at 01:59 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this difficult time. May God give you comfort, peace and strength.##imported-begin##Cheryl Alexander-Hammond##imported-end##*

January 10, 2010 at 01:32 PM



“ *Mike, Marie, Charlie, Clayton, Kelly & Asher, We were so saddened to hear about Kevin's passing. Please know that you all are in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Jason, Kim & Asa Beaty, Kevin & Millie Styles##imported-end##*

January 10, 2010 at 01:30 PM



“ *Dear Kelly & family, Words cannot express how much sympathy I feel for you at this time when you should be experiencing the joy of the birth of Asher. I hope you find comfort each time you look at his beautiful face. God bless you and give you peace in your time of need. Deepest Sympathy, Cindy Saeger##imported-begin##Cindy Saeger##imported-end##*

January 10, 2010 at 11:21 AM



“ Kelly, Asher, & all of Kevin's loved ones,

Kevin may not be with us in body, but his legacy survives and is never-ending. His heart may have been weak in physical strength, but in all other ways his heart was powerful and exuded love. Asher will grow up knowing what a wonderful father he has, and will have every wonderful trait that his father could've possibly passed along to him. It is so hard to understand God's plan and the reasons that wonderful people are taken from us all too soon, but to have had Kevin in your lives during his short 31 years is such a precious gift and all who have known him are grateful for that priviledge.

My most heartfelt condolences. Kelly - if you want to talk, cry, scream, anything - I'm here for you.

Misty##imported-begin##Misty Gervasi##imported-end##

January 10, 2010 at 10:03 AM



“ Kelly,

Please know that I am so sorry for your loss. I can not begin to express my sympathy. Please know that you and Asher and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Please let me know if you need anything at all.

Love, Kathy##imported-begin##Kathy Morris##imported-end##

January 10, 2010 at 09:34 AM



“ Kelly and family my deepest thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. I pray for strength and comfort for you and your family.##imported-begin##Kimberly McClam##imported-end##

January 10, 2010 at 08:52 AM



“ Kelly,I just wanted to let you know I will be praying for you and Asher and your family.I used to work with your Dad at Duke. I saw Asher's picture on Stu's Facebook page and he is a beautiful little boy.God will wrap his arms around you and be with you during these days.##imported-begin##Santya Vaughn##imported-end##

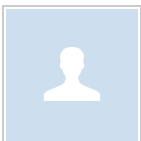
January 10, 2010 at 08:39 AM



“ Kevin, I will miss seeing you with Kelly and now Asher. You have a beautiful son. I know you are up in heaven and will watch over them. Your work is done on earth and I believe it was a job well done. Rest in Peace.

Kelly, Please call me if you need anything, I am here for you even if it is just to talk. Love you guys.##imported-begin##Kathy Tucker##imported-end##

January 10, 2010 at 06:59 AM



“ Put your day to day in God's hands. You can only hold on to knowing there will be another day when you are all together. Love Mary and Jerry Holmes##imported-begin##mary and jerry holmes##imported-end##

January 10, 2010 at 06:16 AM



“ Kathy and I express our deepest sympathy in the passing of Kevin. I had met him only once but heard my brother speak highly of him on numerous occasions. It is our prayer that the Lord grant you His powerful presence during this time of sorrow and that He will be your refuge and strength in the days ahead.

Blessings,

Bill and Kathy Cashion##imported-begin##Bill and Kathy Cashion##imported-end##

January 10, 2010 at 05:39 AM



“ Mike, Marie and family. Paul and I are so sorry for your loss. We will continue to pray for God's never ending comfort, grace and love for all of your family. We love you all, Penny and Paul##imported-begin##Penny and Paul Hester##imported-end##

January 10, 2010 at 12:06 AM



“ Mike my prayers go out to you and your family. In times like this is hard to feel what you feel and words cant say enough but I am here for you if there's anything I can do for you.##imported-begin##Jerry Looney##imported-end##

January 09, 2010 at 11:56 PM



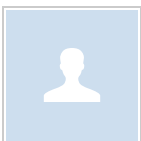
“ *Billie Marcus and family,
Our deepest sympathy is with you. Kevin's passing has gripped our hearts and we cannot imagine what you all are going through. Words seem so insufficient during this tragic time. Please know that we are lifting you up on prayer. We love you and are praying that God holds each of you close to Him each day.
Jr and Denise Bailey##imported-begin##Jr. and Denise Bailey##imported-end##*

January 09, 2010 at 11:35 PM



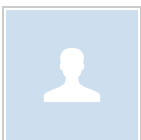
“ *Kelly and Susan,
We wish you all so much peace. At this hard time in your life may the birth of little Asher ease the pain somehow. Kevin left you with the greatest gift that a husband could ever leave. We will be thinking of you all and are here if you need anything.##imported-begin##Marcus,Amy and Tyler O'Shields##imported-end##*

January 09, 2010 at 10:38 PM



“ *Mike and Marie,
My thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. Thanks be to God for Asher. Jean##imported-begin##Jean Christie ##imported-end##*

January 09, 2010 at 09:30 PM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss.My thoughts and prayers are with you in this difficult time.##imported-begin##Tim Hendrix##imported-end##*

January 09, 2010 at 07:30 PM



“ Kelly and family I am so sorry for your loss. I will keep you in my thoughts and prayers. If there is anything that you need just let me know.##imported-begin##Sharon Coln##imported-end##

January 09, 2010 at 05:46 PM



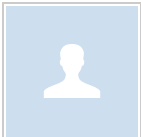
“ We are so sorry for your loss. Please accept our deepest condolences, and know that your family will be in our prayers.

Sincerely,

Tim and Lisa Davis

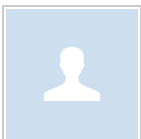
American Tire##imported-begin##Tim and Lisa Davis##imported-end##

January 09, 2010 at 04:50 PM



“ Mike, Marie and family. We are so saddened to hear of Kevin's passing after just seeing everyone Sunday night. May you feel strength and comfort from the many prayers that are being lifted up on your behalf.##imported-begin##Wayne and Emily Fowler##imported-end##

January 09, 2010 at 04:31 PM



“ Mike I am very sorry to hear about the loss of your son. You and your family are in my prayers.##imported-begin##Rex Lance##imported-end##

January 09, 2010 at 04:27 PM



“ Mike, We extend our deepest sympathies to you and your family. I know it has been years since we talked or seen you but we want you to know our prayers are with you. God bless you and take care.
Gene and Peggy Williams###imported-begin###gene & peggy williams###imported-end##

January 09, 2010 at 03:37 PM



“ my thoughts and prayers go out to your family I am sorry for your loss###imported-begin###Joey McCluney###imported-end##

January 09, 2010 at 01:44 PM



“ Charlie ~

We are all so very sorry for the loss of your brother. We will keep you and your family in our thoughts and in our prayers. If there is anything at all that you need please let anyone of us know.

*Sincerely,
Your friends at Rubys###imported-begin###Ruby Tuesday Crew###imported-end##*

January 09, 2010 at 02:09 AM



“ Kelly, Asher, and family...

I so wish I knew what to say to give you some comfort and peace, but I simply do not. Kevin left behind the most precious part of himself...Asher, so that the two of you will be able to care for each other.

Please know that I am available for whatever your family may need as you all cope with this tremendous loss. I will be in constant prayer for all of you.##imported-begin##Tara Atkins##imported-end##

January 08, 2010 at 05:38 PM