



## Austin DeShields

December 30, 1946 - May 7, 2011

Heading: Austin DeShields

Dateline: Duncan

John Austin DeShields, 64, of 204 Holly Tree Circle, died May 7, 2011 at Spartanburg Regional Medical Center.

A native of Spartanburg County, son of Edith Wilson DeShields of Lyman and the late Ralph Carson DeShields, he was an employee of Draxelmaier Automotive and a member of Lake Cooley Baptist Church.

Surviving in addition to his mother is his wife, Carolyn Aiken DeShields of the home; two daughters and sons-in-law, Kristi and Brian Mathis of Wellford and Kaci and James Holston of Lyman; two brothers, Carson DeShields of Lyman and Thomas DeShields of Alpharetta, GA; two sisters, Jo Skelton of Simpsonville and Linda Friel of Lyman and three grandchildren, Mason and Ryder Mathis and Jameson and Alyson Holston.

Funeral services will be held 2:00 p.m. Tuesday at Lake Cooley Baptist Church conducted by Rev. Mark Cannon and Rev. Larry Padgett. Burial will follow at Hillcrest Memory Gardens.

Visitation will be held 6:00-8:00 p.m. Monday at Lake Cooley Baptist Church. The family is at the home.

Memorials may be made to Lake Cooley Baptist Church, 2591 Ballenger Road, Wellford, S.C. 29385.

Online condolences may be made at [www.thewoodmortuary.com](http://www.thewoodmortuary.com)



# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY **9**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Lake Cooley Baptist Church  
2589 Ballenger Road  
Wellford, SC 29385

## Service

MAY **10**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ As we started our journey in the U.S., Austin was one of those people always going the extra mile, and willing to help us as much as he possibly could. Every time we met him he had something nice and funny to say. There are no words to express the sadness of this loss...Austin, you will be greatly missed...##imported-begin##Florela and Bogdan Ilie##imported-end##

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May 10, 2011 at 03:53 PM



“ Kaci, Carolyn & Family, We were shocked to hear of Austin's sudden passing, sorry for your loss. Your family will be in our thoughts and prayers today and in the days ahead. Love in Christ, Craig, Sandra, Keishia & Chris Wilson##imported-begin##Sandra Wilson##imported-end##

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May 09, 2011 at 10:51 PM



“ To the DeShields family our prayers and thoughts are with you in your loss of Austin.  
Gary and Judy Henson##imported-begin##garyhenson##imported-end##

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May 09, 2011 at 07:25 PM



“ My sincere thoughts and prayers are with you all. Austin and I were buddies during my time at Draexlmaier and he always enjoyed telling me about his daughters and grandbabies. I know you will miss him and we will all miss him too. Your family will be in my prayers  
Sheila Seay###imported-begin###Sheila Seay###imported-end##

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May 09, 2011 at 04:17 PM



“ I am so sorry to hear of Austin's death. I worked with him at DAA for 8 years and he was always fun to be around and knew how to make you laugh. He was such a delight. My prayers and thoughts are with you at this time and in the months to come.###imported-begin###Becky White###imported-end##

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May 09, 2011 at 03:37 PM



“ May God bless you and your family during this difficult time.###imported-begin###La-Keeta Martin###imported-end##

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May 09, 2011 at 03:31 PM



“ I am so sorry to hear of Austin's death. I worked with him at DAA for years, and he was always funny and a joy to have around. My condolences on your loss.###imported-begin###Judith Ouzts###imported-end##

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May 09, 2011 at 12:52 PM



“ I work at DAA where I have known Austin since 1998. He was a great person and always made me laugh. Austin will truly be missed. May peace be with his family now during this difficult time. God Bless.##imported-begin##Tami Shannon##imported-end##

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May 09, 2011 at 12:29 PM



“ I am so very sorry for your loss.  
Austin was a good man and well liked,  
He was always making me laugh. I will miss him dearly. Please let me know if  
any of you need anything that i am here.  
Praying for all of you

Linda (Hawkins) Davis##imported-begin##Linda Davis##imported-end##

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May 09, 2011 at 12:07 PM



“ Austin was a good man and will be sorely missed. You will be in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Chad Henderson##imported-end##

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May 09, 2011 at 12:01 PM



“ My prayers and thoughts are with you all as you walk through these hard days of loss. May Jesus lift your grief and replace it with ever sharper memories of the wonderful life you spent with Austin and the joy he brought to all of you. I will miss his lively conversations at our family reunions and I remember him with kind fondness from our childhood days. Kiss Aunt Edith for me and give her my love. Love you all, Nancy Wilson-Elliott and Kevin Elliott (I am Austin's first cousin, my father was Henry Grady Wilson, Jr.)###imported-begin###Nancy Wilson Elliott###imported-end##

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May 09, 2011 at 09:06 AM



“ I work at DAA where Austin worked. I did not know him personally, but he always made a effort to speak to me any time I saw him. I will keep your family in my thoughts and prayers. I know that Austin will be missed here at DAA.###imported-begin###Brent###imported-end##

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May 09, 2011 at 08:50 AM



“ Carolyn and Family - I am truly sorry for your loss. My prayer is that you stay focused on God's Grace. God's Blessings on each of you! Love, Becky Barnwell###imported-begin###Becky Lamb Barnwell###imported-end##

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May 09, 2011 at 06:50 AM



“ Carolyn , you have our prayers###imported-begin###Tee & Pat###imported-end##

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May 08, 2011 at 09:28 PM



“ To the DeShields Family, Our prayers and thoughts are with you in the loss of Austin. I know he will surely be missed. we Love you all.##imported-begin##Robert and Lorene Spears##imported-end##

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May 08, 2011 at 05:55 PM



“ Carolyn & Family

We are so sorry to hear about Austin. We both thought so much of him. He was a fine Christian man who loved his family very much. He will be missed.

Our prayers have and will continue to be with all of you during this difficult time you're going through.##imported-begin##Wallace & Judy Perry##imported-end##

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May 08, 2011 at 03:39 PM



“ Carolyn and the entire family , I was shocked and so saddened to hear about Austin . He was a very good man . I knew him at Byrnes High School when I was a Freshman ...many years ago . Later , he was part of my church family . He will be greatly missed . Christian love and heartfelt sympathy to you all . Donna Newman##imported-begin##Donna Hawkins Newman ##imported-end##

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May 08, 2011 at 02:50 PM



“ I work with Austin at DAA. I will really miss him. He was always so nice and friendly. And i know how much he loved his family. Always cherish the sweet memories. Thinking of you all.##imported-begin##Joanna Lister##imported-end##

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May 08, 2011 at 12:08 PM