



## Frank Hilliard

April 29, 1958 - May 17, 2015

Frank Hilliard, 57, passed away from cancer on May 17. Born in Charleston, SC, Frank was the son of Roy and Luna Hilliard (Greer, SC). He is survived by his wife, Beth (Greer), daughter Rosemary (Boston, MA), son, Sam (Columbia, SC), sister June Ross and her husband, Doug (Greer), as well as numerous extended family members both in the Greenville and Atlanta, GA, areas.

Frank is also survived by his two rescue dogs, Zuke and Pearl who kept him company during his extended illness.

Frank embraced life. He attended the University of South Carolina where he became an avid Gamecock fan, often sparring with his many Clemson friends. He worked 34 years in the mortgage finance industry, living in Chicago, Boston, Milwaukee and Greensboro. Frank traveled extensively and enjoyed making contacts all over the country. He had a passion for golf and spent his last years at Holly Tree Country Club in Simpsonville, SC.

Frank faced his illness with extreme bravery, documenting the challenges, good and bad over social network and in the public domain. He touched many souls, giving the rest of us hope that we can face our own mortality with such honesty and courage.

A memorial service will be held at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 1135 State Park Road in Greenville, on Saturday, May 23, 2:00 p.m. officiated by Rev. Richard Stower of Scituate, MA and Rev. Pat Jobe. The family will receive visitors following the service at the Fellowship.

The family wishes to thank Delphine Foster, RN, and the rest of Open Arms Hospice staff and volunteers for their compassionate care.

In lieu of flowers, please send any donations to Open Arms Hospice, 1836 West Georgia Road, Simpsonville, SC 29680.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

MAY 23. 2:00 PM (ET)

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship  
1135 State Park Road  
Greenville, SC 29609

# Tribute Wall

SW

“ Beth, I met Frank through a client of mine a few years back. Although we only had a chance to meet, I gained so much through his FB postings through his illness. He gave me so much to think about and gave me hope. We all struggle with the physical, but his brave heart and courage means so much to me. God bless you and your family.

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**S. Williamson** - June 08, 2015 at 04:04 PM

HS

“ Beth, I am so sorry to have heard about the loss of Frank. He was such a wonderful man. I enjoyed talking sports with Frank and the time that we had eating lunch together at the clinic. He was an incredibly courageous man and I am so glad that I had the opportunity to meet him. Stephanie and I are thinking about you and your family during this very difficult time. Please know that you will remain in our thoughts and prayers and Frank will always be next to you and in your warm heart! Henri and Stephanie

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**Henri Suissa** - May 27, 2015 at 09:49 PM

JL

“ June Lovell lit a candle in memory of Frank Hilliard



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**June Lovell** - May 23, 2015 at 07:16 PM

CJ

“ I knew Frank for a short time and enjoyed the many conversations. I feel honored to have known him.  
Constance



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**Constance Jones** - May 22, 2015 at 02:30 PM

PG

“ Phillip Gahagan lit a candle in memory of Frank Hilliard



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**Phillip Gahagan** - May 22, 2015 at 09:16 AM

LC

“ My heart is broken. The Greer Class of 1976 was so fortunate to have you in our life. I will always think of you with a smile because of the joy you gave everyone you met. You fought hard my friend, rest in peace, you ran a great race.

Lesli Cloninger

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**Lesli Cloninger** - May 22, 2015 at 08:42 AM

DL

“ Just knew Frank from our breakfasts at Waffle House on Pelham. Loved talking with him. He had good insight on things and always had a positive attitude. Will miss chatting with you my friend. In your memory, in the Clemson-South Carolina game this year, I will root for the Gamecocks on their first set of downs.

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**David Lester** - May 21, 2015 at 04:20 PM

MM

“ Beth & Family, I had the pleasure to work with Frank for many years. Everything Frank did, he did with a lot of passion and fun! I will really miss Frank! He was a joy to be around and work with! I'm so sorry for your loss . . ., We will miss you Frank!, Mark Marple

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**Mark Marple** - May 21, 2015 at 09:26 AM



“ Dear Beth and Family,

*I was broken hearted when I first heard of Frank's illness. I so enjoyed the time He and I spent together and will always have fond memories of Him. I prayed for God's peace and comfort the entire time and want to personally thank you guys for taking such good care of Him. He did love His family, and it was obvious. My best to you going forward.*

*Prayers and good wishes,*

*David Wilson*

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**David Wilson** - May 20, 2015 at 02:49 PM

PG

“ Dear Beth & family, I am so sorry for your loss. You know how much we all thought of Frank and your family. He will surely be missed. He gave so much & asked nothing in return. Forever in my heart!



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**Pat Grissinger** - May 20, 2015 at 02:43 PM

KE

“ Dear Beth & family

*The friends and associates of Mark Lancaster with Atlanta Area Basketball Officials send our deepest regrets and extend our thoughts and prayers for each of you during these difficult days. On a personal level I have followed this journey through Mark and prayed for Frank, you, and your family. We ask God's blessing of peace that passes understanding that will sustain you during this time and the days ahead. Philippians 4:6-7.*

*Ken*

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**Ken** - May 20, 2015 at 10:01 AM

AR

“ *I'm so sorry for your loss.*

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**Adriana Ramirez** - May 20, 2015 at 09:15 AM

LW

“ *Beth and family, so very sorry for your loss. Frank was a good guy who will be missed by many. Thoughts are with you at this difficult time.*

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**Lisa Welch** - May 19, 2015 at 06:05 PM

DC

“ *Don Coggins lit a candle in memory of Frank Hilliard*



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**Don Coggins** - May 19, 2015 at 12:17 PM

GO

“ I as well as many will miss playing golf with Frank and his encouragement, conversations after golfing, and insights into life.  
RIP

Garri Ogata - May 19, 2015 at 11:08 AM

LZ

“ Laura Zeisset lit a candle in memory of Frank Hilliard



laura zeisset - May 19, 2015 at 11:02 AM



“ Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Frank Hilliard.



May 19, 2015 at 09:55 AM

JL

“ Only knew you frank for a few years or so, loved you and love your family. Great people. Will miss you dearly.

Jennifer Landry - May 19, 2015 at 09:25 AM

SN

“ *Sandy And Nikki lit a candle in memory of Frank Hilliard*



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**Sandy and Nikki** - May 19, 2015 at 08:58 AM

KG

“ *"No Worries", my friend, you fought a great battle. Whether business or friendship you always gave it your all. RIP good buddie.*

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**Kathie Gajda** - May 19, 2015 at 08:54 AM

BD

“ *Brett DeYoung lit a candle in memory of Frank Hilliard*



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**Brett DeYoung** - May 18, 2015 at 09:53 PM

BK

“ *I knew Frank for far less time than many people, and for far less time than I wish I could have known him. He was always a good friend and great fun to spend time with. His unbelievable positivity despite circumstances too difficult to imagine left a lasting impression on me, and I'm sure many others as well. Rest in peace Frank. God bless you.*

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**brian krawczyk** - May 18, 2015 at 07:10 PM

BB

“ *Bob And Alice Burnett lit a candle in memory of Frank Hilliard*



Bob and Alice Burnett - May 18, 2015 at 06:18 PM

 Lisa Wolfe

“ *Frank was a wonderful friend to many. I pray for peace for his family. RIP, Frank. You will be greatly missed.*



Lisa Wolfe - May 18, 2015 at 06:08 PM

JH

“ *Jimmy & Crissy Harley lit a candle in memory of Frank Hilliard*



Jimmy & Crissy Harley - May 18, 2015 at 06:05 PM

SB

“ *Stannye Baringer lit a candle in memory of Frank Hilliard*



Stannye Baringer - May 18, 2015 at 04:37 PM

TE

“ Terea lit a candle in memory of Frank Hilliard



Terea - May 18, 2015 at 03:26 PM

AB

“ Allison Burnett lit a candle in memory of Frank Hilliard



Allison Burnett - May 18, 2015 at 01:33 PM

AJ

“ Angie Ashmore Kruse And Austin Johnson lit a candle in memory of Frank Hilliard



Angie Ashmore Kruse and Austin Johnson - May 18, 2015 at 12:33 PM

AK

*We are so saddened to hear about Franks passing. He was a great guy and helped us tremendously. May you feel Gods prescence during this most difficult time. He was a great friend and will be greatly missed. Love Angie Ashmore Kruse and David Austin Johnson.*

Angie Ashmore Kruse - May 18, 2015 at 02:54 PM

AK

*Sending prayers and condolence during this difficult time. Frank was a great friend and will be greatly missed. Love, Angie Ashmore Kruse and David Austin Johnson.*

**Angie Ashmore Kruse** - May 18, 2015 at 02:56 PM

AK

*We are saddened to hear about Franks passing He will be missed. Keeps ng you in our thoughts and prayers.*

**Angie Ashmore Kruse** - May 18, 2015 at 02:59 PM

AK

*We are saddened to hear of Franks passing. We loved him and thought so much of him. He will truly be missed.*

**Angie Ashmore Kruse** - May 18, 2015 at 03:42 PM

DI

*All is well.*

**Dedra Isenbarger** - May 19, 2015 at 07:46 AM

AH

“ *Angela Hopkins lit a candle in memory of Frank Hilliard*



**Angela Hopkins** - May 18, 2015 at 10:54 AM

AH

*Love you and will miss you Bossman!!!*

**Angela Hopkins** - May 18, 2015 at 10:57 AM