



## Katie Elizabeth Hemli

June 1, 1988 - May 26, 2008

Heading: Katie E. Hemli

Dateline: Greer

Katie Elizabeth Hemli, 19, of 222 Faye Court, died May 26, 2008.

A native of Zephyrhills, Florida, daughter of John Michael and Deborah Kaye Gandee Hemli of the home, she was a rising junior at Lander University, a 2006 graduate of Riverside High School where she was a member of the marching band.

Surviving in addition to her parents are her brothers, Dale Austin Hemli of the home and Robert Joshua Shamblin of Weston, West Virginia; maternal grandmother, Donna Brace of Brooksville, Florida; a paternal grandmother, Kathleen Hemli of Greer; a great-grandfather Lawrence McElhinny of Dunbar, West Virginia.

Funeral services will be held 11:00 a.m. Friday at Wood Mortuary conducted by Rev. Keith Kelly. Entombment will follow in Hillcrest Memorial Gardens Mausoleum.

Visitation will be held 6:00-8:00 p.m. Thursday at Wood Mortuary.

The family is at the home.

Memorials may be made to S.C. Awareness and Rescue for Equine, 312 Shetland Lane, Lexington, S.C. 29073.

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

# Previous Events

## Service

MAY 30. 11:00 AM (ET)

THE WOOD MORTUARY CHAPEL

300 West Poinsett Street

Greer, SC 29650

(864) 877-3351

[woodmortuary@bellsouth.net](mailto:woodmortuary@bellsouth.net)

# Tribute Wall



“ My daughter Kate( Nelson) knew Kate all through high school at Riverside.. Kate really liked Katie so much, and is now, really saddened by her passing.. Please have our deepest sympathies,and know that she is in Heaven and being her sweet smiling self.God Bless  
Thom,Diana, Kate and Beckie Nelson  
Greer,SC###imported-begin###kate nelson and family###imported-end##

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September 09, 2008 at 01:19 PM



“ Dear Hemili family and Dale  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you. We are so very sorry.  
Please call on us.  
Laura Aiken###imported-begin###Laura, Chris and James  
Aiken###imported-end##

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June 09, 2008 at 12:04 PM



“ Dear Kathy and family,  
On behalf of Barb Hemli and my other two sisters Peg & Sue and our brother John, we are all saddened by the loss of your beautiful granddaughter Katie. Please know your family is in all of our prayers.  
God Bless,  
Cathy Myers Deagan###imported-begin###Cathy Myers  
Deagan###imported-end##

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June 07, 2008 at 11:37 PM



“ We love you, Katie! Forever in our hearts. From Uncle Russ and Aunt Sue##imported-begin##Russ and Sue Hemli##imported-end##

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June 01, 2008 at 09:38 PM



“ I was looking back through my teaching notes from Riverbend. Every single time I came across an entry about Katie I would see the word "improved"-- a very high compliment in my book. When Katie rode a new exercise, she wouldn't just go through the motions; she always wanted to know how it would improve her horse and herself. She would use each new idea I gave her to make the horse better--and that's what dressage is all about. She was never just a passenger.##imported-begin##Tricia Rietz Arthur##imported-end##

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May 30, 2008 at 01:03 PM



“ Katie was an incredible young woman. She befriended me when nobody else would. I will never forget her.##imported-begin##Shannon Lassen##imported-end##

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May 30, 2008 at 10:18 AM



“ Dear Hemli Family,##imported-begin##Shannon Lassen##imported-end##

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May 30, 2008 at 10:17 AM



“ I never had the pleasure of meeting Katie, but I have heard nothing but great things about her. Her love & devotion will be greatly missed by family, friends & all the horses that were blessed to be touched by her love. I am truly sorry for your loss. Sending all my prayers and love to all of you.

Rita S. Kelso, SCARE volunteer##imported-begin##John & Rita S. Kelso##imported-end##

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May 30, 2008 at 10:05 AM



“ John,  
Sunny and I send our deepest sympathy for your loss. We will keep you, your family and Katie in our prayers. Gary Blair, Rob Gardner and Bill Modlin also send their sympathy.##imported-begin##Larry Schwetz##imported-end##

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May 30, 2008 at 02:39 AM



“ We were so sorry to hear about Katie's accident. We live in Heartwood Place and we've met only a couple of times, but she was obviously a great daughter and sister.

The Guidici Family##imported-begin##Erin Guidici##imported-end##

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May 29, 2008 at 11:20 PM



“ I wanted to extend my condolences to your family. I was in Katie's nursing class. She was a very sweet and made me laugh all the time. She will be greatly missed.##imported-begin##Amy Andrews##imported-end##

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May 29, 2008 at 10:06 PM



“ *Deborah, John and Dale, my heart is with you. I hope that time and your memories of Katie will bring you peace.##imported-begin##Dail MackNair##imported-end##*

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May 29, 2008 at 05:20 PM



“ *Dear Hemli Family,*

*I am so very sorry for your loss. I will keep you in my thoughts and prayers.*

*If there is anything we in Heartwood Place can do for you please let us know!*

*Pam Alexander*

*Heartwood HOA Board member*

*459 Faye Ct.##imported-begin##Pam Alexander##imported-end##*

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May 29, 2008 at 04:45 PM



“ *I am sorry for your loss. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers at this time. Please let me know if there is anything I can do to assist you or Dale.*

*William Sumerel*

*Counselor*

*Riverside High School##imported-begin##William*

*Sumerel##imported-end##*

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May 29, 2008 at 03:30 PM



“ I never had the honor of meeting Katie. I have known her mother - Deborah - for several years through Massage Therapy and think so highly of her. I know the caring & giving that Deborah has done for others will return to support her & her family through this time in their lives. My thoughts & prayers are with all who are heartbroken & grieving. I am sure that she will be a wonderful Guardian Angel for her Loved Ones.##imported-begin##Polly Thompson##imported-end##

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May 29, 2008 at 03:06 PM



“ I did have the honor of knowing Katie and working side by side with her for months at McAlister's Deli in Greenwood. She was a great friend and could make a shift go by fast! She was a funny and beautiful girl. I don't hang out with a lot of people I work with, but I did hang out with her. She will be sorely missed. Please accept my condolences. I'm so sorry for your loss.##imported-begin##Crystal Farmer##imported-end##

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May 29, 2008 at 02:32 PM



“ John,

You and your family have our deepest sympathy.##imported-begin##Dottie Wood##imported-end##

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May 29, 2008 at 11:25 AM



“ You were so amazing. I miss you so much. I hope you are riding wild horses in heaven. Show them how its done. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers. Love you lots##imported-begin##Morgan Van Der Noord##imported-end##

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May 29, 2008 at 09:43 AM



“ My deepest condolences##imported-begin##John B Louden Jr##imported-end##

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May 29, 2008 at 09:37 AM



“ Sorry for the families lost. Her community has lost a wonderful young lady. She is now there at rainbow's bridge for our future SCARE rescues. I will keep her family, friends, and community in my prayers...##imported-begin##Paula Terry##imported-end##

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May 29, 2008 at 08:25 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with you. Katie and I had pretty much every class together freshman year. We have been friends since the beginning of our freshman year. Not being able to see her next year will be really hard. She was such an amazing person and friend. I will miss her greatly!  
Bethanny##imported-begin##Bethanny Dodge##imported-end##

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May 28, 2008 at 11:05 PM



“ John,  
*I would like to express my deepest sympathy to you and your family. I will keep you and your family in my praryers during this very difficult time.*

*Sheila Davis##imported-begin##Sheila Davis-Teamsters Local 509##imported-end##*

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May 28, 2008 at 10:22 PM



“ *I worked with katie in greenwood at firehouse subs. She was an amazing person to be around and full of life. I am sorry for what happened. She will be trully missed.##imported-begin##Donnis Cooke##imported-end##*

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May 28, 2008 at 09:58 PM



“ *You and your family are in my prayers at this time of great loss. We will miss Katie.*  
*Bernice Daugherty, Lander Nursing Faculty##imported-begin##Bernice Daugherty##imported-end##*

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May 28, 2008 at 09:47 PM



“ *My heart aches for this terrible loss. I only pray Katie is running in heaven with all the horses who went before her.*

*Thank you to her family for the generosity in naming SCARE for donations. Please accept my sincere condolensces.##imported-begin##Barbara MorningStar Paul##imported-end##*

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May 28, 2008 at 09:03 PM



“ Never had the honor of meeting Katie, but all the great things I have heard from other SCARE members, we feel we have lost for never meeting her. She was a kind hearted girl and will always be in our thoughts. Scott and CJ Foreman###imported-begin###cj & scott foreman###imported-end###

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May 28, 2008 at 08:46 PM



“ Sorry for your loss - you are in my prayers.###imported-begin###Dotty Andrews###imported-end###

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May 28, 2008 at 08:16 PM

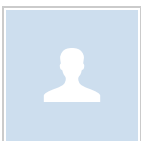


“ To Katie's family,  
I am so sorry for your loss. I did not know Katie, but understand that she was a fellow member of South Carolina Awareness and Rescue of Equines. Her dedication to this cause will be greatly missed; by us humans and the horses she so loved.

Anne Long###imported-begin###Anne Long###imported-end###

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May 28, 2008 at 07:29 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss. Please accept my sincere condolences.

Robbie South  
Lander Nursing Faculty###imported-begin###Robbie South###imported-end###

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May 28, 2008 at 02:30 PM



“ You will be sadly missed by family and all friends, whether 2 legged or 4 legged.##imported-begin##Debbie Gallion##imported-end##

May 28, 2008 at 09:15 AM



“ God bless you & your family as you suffer through such a loss. I never had the pleasure of meeting Katie I only know of her through the giving of her time & love of horses & know she was a blessing to everyone around her.##imported-begin##Teresa DeGeer##imported-end##

May 28, 2008 at 06:40 AM



“ im so sorry to hear about your loss, i lost my son 16 years old to an ATV accident about 1 month 12 days ago. god will help you god will help you get throuh it! just keep your faith in god. there is going to be alot of unanswered ? but dont give up. god will help you. there's alot that we dont understand but god doesnt make mistakes. he needed our children for a reason. my son;s name is Michael Watts. we will keep you in our prayer's##imported-begin##mitzi watts##imported-end##

May 27, 2008 at 11:11 PM



“ You and your family are in our prayers here at USF Holland.##imported-begin##Tiffany Youngblood##imported-end##

May 27, 2008 at 10:53 PM



“ You were a shining star and we will all miss you. Thank you for all the love you have shown to your family friends and animals. I only met you once but you shined up a room with your smile.  
Penny##imported-begin##Penny Lillis##imported-end##

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May 27, 2008 at 09:25 PM