



William "Willie" Thomas Hughes

November 19, 1949 - March 25, 2017

William "Willie" Thomas Hughes, 67, husband of Linda Ann James Hughes, passed away Saturday, March 25, 2017.

A native of Spartanburg County, a son the late Manly Hughes and Marjorie Smith Hughes; to many he was known as the "Little Debbie Man" because he managed a Little Debbie route in Greer.

Surviving in addition to his wife, are a son, Shane Hughes (Emily) of Taylors; three grandchildren, Jesse Hughes, Timothy Hughes and Makayla Linse; and eight siblings, Evelyn Mull, Edward Hughes, Mike Hughes, Susan Wingo, Philip Hughes, Gary Hughes, Jerry Hughes and Lisa Hughes.

He was predeceased by one brother, Maurice Hughes.

Funeral services will be held 2:00 p.m. Thursday, March 30, 2017, at The Wood Mortuary. Burial will follow in Hillcrest Memory Gardens.

Visitation will be held 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Wednesday, at the mortuary.

Memorials may be made to the Cancer Society of Greenville County, 113 Mills Avenue, Greenville, SC 29605.

Online condolences may be made at www.thewoodmortuary.com.

Cemetery Details

Hillcrest Memory Gardens

14050 East Wade Hampton Boulevard
Greer, SC 29651

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 29. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

The Wood Mortuary, Inc.
300 West Poinsett Street
Greer, SC 29650
(864) 877-3351
woodmortuary@bellsouth.net

Service

MAR 30. 2:00 PM (ET)

THE WOOD MORTUARY CHAPEL
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Tribute Wall

EF

“ *Ervin Moore & Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of William "Willie" Thomas Hughes.*



Ervin Moore & Family - March 29, 2017 at 10:07 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of William "Willie" Thomas Hughes.*



March 28, 2017 at 07:11 PM

AC

“ *I am so sorry for your loss! I was Willie's hairdresser for several years. I so hate to hear this. You are in my thoughts and prayers.*



amanda crain - March 28, 2017 at 06:27 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of William "Willie" Thomas Hughes.*



March 28, 2017 at 02:30 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of William "Willie" Thomas Hughes.



March 28, 2017 at 02:30 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of William "Willie" Thomas Hughes.



March 28, 2017 at 10:49 AM



“ I saw him around so much, but got to know Willie at Bi-Lo. He was always so nice and sweet! I will definitely miss seeing him around Greer!!

kayla - March 28, 2017 at 09:10 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of William "Willie" Thomas Hughes.



March 28, 2017 at 09:08 AM

CF

“ I did not know Willie personally. But when I saw his picture on the obituary page of the Greenville News, I recognized him as the friendly, kindly man I encountered so often on my usual early grocery shopping trips. He would be stocking shelves but would always smile and speak as though he knew me. I always thought, "What a pleasant man he is," and seeing him was a bright spot in that day. Just wanted to let you know that he was a blessing even to those he did not know, and I offer my heartfelt sympathy to his family on your loss. May God comfort you.

Cyndy Forrester - March 28, 2017 at 06:22 AM

PN

“ Hi I'm a bread vendor who's worked with Willy . I HAVE BEEN IN bread for 30 years also so Willy has been a vendor partner for this long .We shared Alot of laughs politics recipes suggestions to good food and Was always a great friend . THE news hurt alot today .We was always laughing on the bread Isle in the morning telling Willy he sounded like a Cow dieing in a hail strom lol .He always brought a laugh and didn't let much get to him . Lots of great memories But selfishly Wanted tons more he has made a big home with Greer and all his brothers in the same business and he is going to be So missed Thoughts and prayers with his Linda, Shane and Family .

Phil Norris - March 27, 2017 at 08:25 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of William "Willie" Thomas Hughes.



March 27, 2017 at 08:07 PM

JM

“ Linda, we are heartbroken for your loss. Willie was one of a kind and will be missed by so many. Please know that we are thinking of you, Shane and the family. Let us know if there is anything you need. Love you, cuz.



Janet Mullinax - March 27, 2017 at 12:42 PM

TC

We are heartbroken for all of you. He made us feel so welcomed on our visit. You all are in our thoughts and prayers

the cappellos - March 28, 2017 at 07:44 PM

RL

“ Willie and I had a lot of fun times when we were younger and always remained a good friend. He will be missed.

Richard Lane - March 27, 2017 at 08:20 AM

WB

“ Willie was one of a kind always laughing and talking had so many friends I don't know how he ever finished his route. I worked with him 38 years ago at Sunbeam and continue in the same business for the next 31 years. We went hunting together and he was present in my lodge the night I was raised. A great friend whom we shall miss till we meet once more. God bless the family.

William Kim Burnett

Willam Burnett - March 27, 2017 at 06:27 AM

BF

“ *Willie, I Will Miss Your Friendship, Your Smile, Your Love of Life, Your Old School Thinking, You Flipping that Coin with my Pop "Carl Short Boy Durham" But Most of All We Will Miss You William Hughes aka Willie! "Rest In Peace My Friend"*
Job Well Done Sir! — feeling broken.



Brian C. Fowler - March 26, 2017 at 10:57 PM

SQ

“ *So sorry for your loss. I knew Willie from him hunting with us at Rosehill hunting club and seeing him at the grocery store putting out the cakes. Every time I would see him we would always catch-up on how we were doing hunting. I really enjoyed talking with him he was a great guy and I will miss his hunting stories. RIP and praying for the family*

Steve Quinn - March 26, 2017 at 09:49 PM

RB

“ *Robert & Teresa Baker sent a virtual gift in memory of William "Willie" Thomas Hughes*



Robert & Teresa Baker - March 26, 2017 at 03:52 PM

TB

We were so shocked and saddened to hear about Mr. Willie. BeBop (as he knew my husband) had just talked with him a few weeks ago. We sold him the house in Whitmire where he was working so hard to get fixed up for himself and Shane. I stopped by recently and saw Shane and the work they had gotten done and was so happy for them to have a place they could enjoy and come to hunt and relax. We were honored to know Willie and Shane and we wish we could have had more time to spend with them both. Willie made us feel like we had known each other for years. Our deepest sympathies and prayers are with each of you and please don't hesitate to contact us if there is anything we can do for you. Robert's (BeBop's) number is in Willie's phone. As a matter of fact we came by on Friday and saw the gate open, but didn't see a truck there so we didn't stop. Willie was happy and enjoyed life and he enjoyed his hunting. We were blessed to get to know him. We will surely miss him.

Robert & Teresa

Teresa Baker - March 26, 2017 at 04:05 PM

JM

Linda, I am Jill Smith's sister Jenni. Willie was a true friend and special person to my sweet brother-in-law, Terry. I love hearing Terry tell stories about them together and I am so happy I had the pleasure to meet him. We are remembering you all in our prayers and my God bless and sustain you.

Jenni Morrison - March 27, 2017 at 07:51 PM