



## George Tillman Wilkes

July 15, 1961 - June 7, 2019

Lamar, SC

George Tillman Wilkes, 57, of Lamar died on Friday, June 7, 2019.

Funeral services will be held on Sunday, June 9, 2019 at 3 PM at Christian Pathway Fellowship Church. Burial will follow at Tabernacle United Methodist Church Cemetery, directed by Kistler Hardee Funeral Home of Darlington. The Family will receive friends from 5 until 7 PM on Saturday, June 8, 2019 at Kistler Hardee Funeral Home in Darlington.

George was born in Darlington County. He was the son of the late Tillman Edwin and Viola Morrell Wilkes. George worked for the Nuclear Plant in Hartsville and also with Darlington County EMS. He later became employed with the Darlington County Sheriffs Office, where he served as lieutenant over the Narcotics Division. He later served as the School Resource Officer for Lamar High School. After retiring from the Sheriffs Department, he served as the Chief of Lamar Police Department. One of his true passions, was coaching softball.

Surviving are his wife, Bonnie Gardener Wilkes; his daughters, Amy (Chris) Bullard, Carey Andrews, Emily (David) Jones and Jessica Wilkes; his son, TJ Wilkes; his brothers, Owen (Ann) Wilkes, Dale (Tammy) Wilkes and Wendall "Wink" (Mary Ann) Wilkes; and grandchildren, Zachary (Morgan), Noah and Mallory Bullard, Amsley and Lawson Andrews and Jackson and Mason Jones, and many nieces and nephews.

George was preceded in death by his parents, Edwin and Viola Wilkes; son,

Jamie Andrews; and nephew, Clint "Dusty" Wilkes.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Christian Pathway Fellowship Church, PO Box 757, Lamar, SC 29069.

# Tribute Wall

RJ

“ Prayers to George's family and friends. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him. Nice guy with a big heart. Rest High on that Mountain my friend.



Rhonda Jones-Norton - July 10, 2019 at 11:54 AM

JW

“ My thought and prayers are with you all during this most difficult time. God bless!!

June Woods - June 10, 2019 at 01:07 PM

LA

“ Lynda Lassiter Atkinson lit a candle in memory of George Tillman Wilkes



Lynda Lassiter Atkinson - June 10, 2019 at 10:39 AM

JL

“ Johnnie R Locklair lit a candle in memory of George Tillman Wilkes



johnnie r locklair - June 10, 2019 at 07:11 AM

KM

“ I just learned of George's passing this afternoon. We worked many cases together during my early years with SLED. Back then law enforcement work was more fun and rewarding and we cut up a lot which was a stress reliever for us. George made it more fun and rewarding and we got the job done on many serious cases. I am saddened to hear this news and my prayers and thoughts are with George's family and many friends.

*Kin McKenzie, (Retired SLED Pee Dee Region Captain)*

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**Kin McKenzie** - June 09, 2019 at 11:15 PM



“ So many memories growing up with George. He was always a great cousin and friend.

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**Raymond Jeffords** - June 09, 2019 at 02:04 PM

BP

“ Prayers for the family, Go rest high my friend!

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**Brenda Parnell** - June 09, 2019 at 10:22 AM

JB

“ Jeanette Blackmon lit a candle in memory of George Tillman Wilkes



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**Jeanette Blackmon** - June 09, 2019 at 02:58 AM

CP

“ Thoughts and prayers are with his family. He was a one of a kind and will be missed.



Cristy Privette - June 08, 2019 at 10:26 PM

MM

“ I have many great memories working with George for 18 years at DCSO. The best memory was when I told him his daughter got the job. He was so proud. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.  
Chad Mcinville

Michael Mcinville - June 08, 2019 at 04:24 PM



“ Teresa Floyd Dickerson lit a candle in memory of George Tillman Wilkes



Teresa Floyd Dickerson - June 08, 2019 at 02:10 PM

SC

“ Praying for the family



Susan Clemmons - June 08, 2019 at 10:33 AM

DS

“ *Danny And Phoebe Stokes lit a candle in memory of George Tillman Wilkes*



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**Danny and Phoebe Stokes** - June 08, 2019 at 07:54 AM

MC

“ *Met George shortly after getting into law enforcement in 1994. So sad to hear of him passing. He will be missed especially his infectious laugh. Rest well my friend. May God bless you and your family.*

*Michael Cooke  
Darlington PD*

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**Mike Cooke** - June 07, 2019 at 10:58 PM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of George Tillman Wilkes.*



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June 07, 2019 at 10:27 PM

TG

“ Bonnie and family we are praying for the Spirit of the Lord comfort all of you during this time of bereavement. George was one of those individuals who made life better for having known him. He was a good man and a true law enforcement officer. From the years of working with him, I can tell you that he loved each one of you dearly. May the peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

*Tom and Marti Gainey*

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**Tom Gainey** - June 07, 2019 at 08:09 PM

VM

“ I worked with George at the RNP plant years ago. I also knew him as a DCSO deputy. He was a good man and we will miss him. Our prayers and condolences to the Wilkes family.  
*Vic & Becky Makowski*

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**Victor Makowski** - June 07, 2019 at 06:31 PM

EI

“ I heard that George had passed this afternoon, my heart sank, because I lost a friend. George Wilkes handed me my first badge, when I was sworn in as a deputy sheriff with the Darlington County Sheriffs Office on January 23rd 1989. I will never forget that day, nor forget George. Thanks for being apart of my life.

*Edward "Eddie" Wirhousky III*

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**Edward Wirhousky III** - June 07, 2019 at 05:50 PM