



## Henry Lee Legare Jr.

January 19, 1951 - February 19, 2023

The world became a little less bright with the loss of beloved husband and father Henry "Hank" Lee Legare, Jr on February 19, 2023. Henry was born on January 19, 1951, in Charleston to Henry L. Sr. and Shirley Higgins Legare. His life will be celebrated on Tuesday, February 28, 2023, at a visitation at 2:00pm at Summerville Presbyterian Church (Lanneau Hall) 407 S. Laurel St., with a memorial service to follow at 3:30 in the church sanctuary. He was a 1969 graduate of North Charleston High School and a 1974 graduate of the University of South Carolina. He was a dedicated fan of all things Summerville Green Wave and Carolina Gamecocks. Win or lose he was a faithful fan, although he preferred winning. The win over Clemson this year 31-30 in the Palmetto Bowl was a highlight of his year.

Henry married Robin Riley on August 13, 1977, and they built their life in Summerville. He is survived by Robin, their son Matt Legare and his wife Ellen, and their daughter Caroline Dalrymple and her husband Andy. His five grandchildren, Lucy, Molly and Anna Lee Legare and Benjamin and Graham Dalrymple were the lights of his life. They all loved "G" as he loved them. He is also survived by his sisters Shirley Anne Landey (Max) and Nita McCord and their children. He is also survived by many cousins and great nephews and nieces. One of his favorite things was the family's week at Edisto every summer with his family and his sisters' families.

Henry worked for many years for Mass Mutual Insurance Co., and in his later years for Lincoln Financial. He loved all his clients, and they each became a cherished friend. Even after his latest illness he continued to serve them as he could.

He was a member of Northwood Church for several years. His family moved their membership to Summerville Presbyterian Church where he and Robin both have served in many capacities. He was a member of the Session as a ruling Elder. He had a servant's heart and served on committees where he could help people in need. He and Robin were vital members of the Seekers Sunday School class, and he was a long-time, faithful member of the men's Wednesday morning Bible study. Serving his community was an important part of his life, and he was on the advisory board of Trico Engineering Consultants, the Coach Mulkey Scholarship Fund, and the board of Dorchester County Community Outreach. He was also an active participant with Water Missions.

Henry was a true prayer warrior. If he knew you, and you had a need, then your name and your need were added to his prayer list. When he saw that a prayer had been answered, he highlighted it in yellow.

Helping in the lives of young people was very important to him throughout his life. He and Robin were youth leaders at Northwoods Church for several years. Henry grew up playing baseball at Park Circle, and he had many fond memories of the men who coached him. He paid his debt to these men by coaching youth softball, baseball and basketball. He made lasting impressions on the lives of the young people he coached.

Henry never met a stranger, and he was the best storyteller. We all missed his voice for the past two years, but we find comfort in knowing that his voice was still heard in our memories and his actions.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hands of Christ at Summerville Presbyterian Church, 407 S. Laurel St., Summerville, SC 29483; Dorchester County Community Outreach, 821 Central Ave., Summerville, SC 29483; or Coach Mulkey, Inc., a memorial to Louis Mulkey who was one of the Charleston Nine, 2937 Wilson Creek Lane, Johns Island, SC, 29455.

# Tribute Wall

LM

“ I met Hank on my first construction job at Dupont, Bushy Park. I lived in North Charleston in the 70s with Ben Scott and Arnold Darley. Friends with Burt Koon. We had some good times. Hank roomed with me at my house in Moncks Corner for a while. I had tried to contact him through FB. I am sorry I lost contact. RIP.  
Lawton Murray

Lawton Murray - February 28, 2023 at 07:53 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Henry Lee Legare Jr..



February 27, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Henry Lee Legare Jr..



February 27, 2023 at 01:00 PM

KB

“ Love you, Hank. Keep my sweet Melissa company until I get there.

Kyle Brown - February 27, 2023 at 09:57 AM

LP

“ *Leah, Chris, Alec & always Gail & Parker purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Henry Lee Legare Jr..*



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**Leah, Chris, Alec & always Gail & Parker** - February 26, 2023  
at 07:59 PM

TS

“ *When my twin brother (Tim) and I moved to North Charleston in 1961, we became good friends with Hank. We moved into the same neighborhood. Hank, his parents, and older sisters were so welcoming to our family. After moving back to Wilmington in '63, we went our separate ways. 7 or 8 years later, Hank walked into our ATO lounge. I said, my God it's Hank Legare. He pledged our fraternity and became great friends with all of our brothers. By His Grace and for His glory. Rest in peace. Tom & Sandy Scruggs*

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**Tom Scruggs** - February 26, 2023 at 06:00 PM



“ *Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Henry Lee Legare Jr..*



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February 26, 2023 at 11:54 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Henry Lee Legare Jr..*



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February 26, 2023 at 07:43 AM



“ *Memories of Henry will be cherished. When we were children, we had a lemonade stand together. One day a man stopped by and only had a button to pay. I was annoyed that we didn't get a nickel but Henry said, "Ellen, he gave what he could". I loved my cousin and his tender heart. My heart goes out to Robin, his children, and grandchildren.*

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**Ellen Lesburg** - February 24, 2023 at 09:19 PM



*And his sisters, Anne and Nita who loved him dearly.*

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**Ellen Lesburg** - February 25, 2023 at 07:38 AM



“ *I am so sorry to hear of Hanks passing. I enjoyed his friendship for many years through the YMCA. My thoughts and prayers go out to the family.*

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**Jan Parsons** - February 24, 2023 at 10:41 AM



“ Our deepest sympathies to Robin and the entire family on your loss. Hank was an inspiration to many and a friendly face to us when we attended Summerville Presbyterian.

*Rick & Margie Layman*

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**Margie Layman** - February 24, 2023 at 09:31 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Henry Lee Legare Jr..



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February 23, 2023 at 02:31 PM



“ *The memories of growing up together will always be with me. He was a very special person and loved by so many.*

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**Chuck Funderburk** - February 23, 2023 at 11:33 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket* was purchased for the family of Henry Lee Legare Jr..



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February 23, 2023 at 11:26 AM

LF

“ *Linda and Bubba Weathers and Family purchased the Your Light Shines for the family of Henry Lee Legare Jr..*



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**Linda and Bubba Weathers and Family** - February 23, 2023 at 09:52 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Henry Lee Legare Jr..*



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February 23, 2023 at 09:52 AM

TF

“ *Sending our Heart felt Sympathy to Matt,Robin & the entire family.may you all find Peace and Joy in the Memory of Hank life living and the Legacy he left for everyone. 🌹🌹🕊️🕊️✅.*

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**tillman Millhouse jr & Family** - February 23, 2023 at 07:55 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Henry Lee Legare Jr..*



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February 22, 2023 at 09:40 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Henry Lee Legare Jr..



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February 22, 2023 at 08:25 PM



“ Robin, my heart goes out to you all. Praying for you all. ❤️🙏

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**Hattie Perry Baylock** - February 22, 2023 at 06:41 PM



“ My heartfelt condolences to Hanks Family.  
My mother, absolutely enjoyed his visits. He will be remembered as a great caring person and neighbor.

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**Beth A Sanborn** - February 22, 2023 at 06:20 PM



“ Hank is as an inspiration to many. My father so enjoyed visits from Hank in the months before he passed. They would talk and laugh and pray together. Hugs and prayers for the family as they walk out this new journey. Hank's light shines brightly to all he touched.

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**Andrea and Dave Terry** - February 22, 2023 at 05:37 PM

FC

“ Thinking and praying for you, Robbin, and your entire family. Hank was always a good friend and we were fellow workers for several years at New York Life. I was always grateful for his hard and successful work as he helped each of his clients .....  
Much love to you all  
Faith and Frank Cuda

Faith and Frank Cuda - February 22, 2023 at 05:23 PM

CB

“ Hank was a true southern gentleman! He always had a big smile on his face and a kind word to share. He fought his battle well and will forever be remembered as a wonderful husband, father, grandfather, friend, and faithful servant! Sending you all much love!

Carol & Stephen Buddin - February 22, 2023 at 04:07 PM

PB

Robin and family... Our hearts are TRULY broken over the passing of Hank. He was SUCH a good friend to our family. His memory will FOREVER live in our hearts. We are better people for having known him for over 40 years. He celebrated the best of times and the worst of times with us. Words just cannot express all that he meant to us. We trusted him without question. Much Love to you and your family! Thank you for sharing him with us!

Pam and Perry Barnette - February 22, 2023 at 04:28 PM

DW

I will never forget how nice and welcoming Hank was when I first moved here. One of the few sweet gentlemen I was ever privileged to know.

Dotty Wright - February 22, 2023 at 04:48 PM

PH

Heaven got a new special angel with a true servant's heart. We love you always, Hank ❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️

perry harris - February 22, 2023 at 05:34 PM

MJ

*We were so sorry to hear about Hank. He was such a great person to know. We will never forget all the softball tournaments and the fun we always had. Robin, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Love to all.*

**Mark and Teresa Jolly** - February 22, 2023 at 08:33 PM

CF

*Hank was so kind and friendly to us when we were newcomers to Summerville. That is something we will ever forget. May the Lord comfort you all.*

**Craig and Margie Fendley** - February 23, 2023 at 07:55 AM

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NC

*Please accept our deepest sympathy. Heaven has gained another angel. Nancy Canavera and family*

**nancy canavera** - February 25, 2023 at 03:50 PM

CV

*We've been blessed to have y'all as "back yard" neighbors for so many years. Our thoughts and prayers will be for you as you navigate your way through this newest stage of life. Don and Charleen Vaughan*

**Charleen F Vaughan** - February 28, 2023 at 03:55 PM