



## Dalton Arvid Hills

August 2, 1936 - December 17, 2020

Dalton Arvid Hills, of Spartanburg, SC went home to be with the Lord on 17 December 2020, at Spartanburg Regional Hospital, aged 84 years.

Dalton was born August 2, 1936 at home in Bourkes, Ontario, Canada to Jonas Arvid Sjobom Hills and Svea Victoria (Jothsburg) Hills. He was a graduate of Kirkland Lake Collegiate and Vocational Institute, Kirkland Lake, Ontario, Canada and Bob Jones University, Greenville, SC. He met and married Marilyn Ruth Edmonds while at Bob Jones University. He was an accountant for de Havilland Aircraft, Johnson and Johnson, and Phillips Construction, before establishing Hills Tax and Accounting in Spartanburg.

An avid woodworker, he shared hand-made scroll saw ornaments and wall hangings with family and friends. He enjoyed time with his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. He also enjoyed traveling with his wife Marilyn (deceased) and with his bride Frances.

Dalton was a founding member of Westgate Baptist Church, Spartanburg.

He is survived by his bride Frances Ballard Hills of Spartanburg; and children David (Adrienne) Hills of Erie, PA. Marlene (Brett) Chapman of Cowpens, SC, Lisa (Greg) Frank of Spartanburg, SC, and Mark (Brandy) Hills of Stanley, NC. He leaves behind 9 grandchildren: Richard, Victor, Heather, Eric, Kyle, Jonathan, Christine, Parker and Charlie, and 4 great Grandchildren: Elianah, Rowan, Ashlyn and Jackson.

A graveside funeral for the family will be held Saturday, December 19 at 10:00 at the Good Shepherd Memorial Park in Boiling Springs, SC with Rev. James Wooten officiating.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Westgate Baptist Church or Gideons International for Bibles. Online condolences may be left for the family at: [www.livingwatersfh.com](http://www.livingwatersfh.com)

Living Waters Funeral Home & Crematory  
Lyman, SC

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

DEC 19. 10:00 AM (ET)

Good Shepherd Memorial Park  
4164 Highway 9  
Boiling Springs, SC

# Tribute Wall



“ So many wonderful tributes here that give a small glimpse of what a wonderful, cheerful, joyful, generous, godly and humble man. I first met Dalton in 1988 when he took over my taxes and become more than an accountant but a friend, supporter, prayed for us and went to bat for us. Hills and Frank still gives us the best of care today. Dalton and I had so many talks about the Lord, about discipleship, about reaching people for Christ. He was all in and God was his center. Dalton helped me enormously on several occasions and gosh he had such an infectious laugh. We lose a wonderful, wise yet caring man while heaven gains a beloved son of the king. Our love and prayers for all of the Hill's and respective families. Michael Staples - Florida

Michael Staples - January 14, 2021 at 11:00 AM

BH

“ Dear Frances, David, Marlene, Lisa, Mark and Families,  
We are so very sad to hear about Dalton's passing. He was a very dear friend whom I, Linda, had known since I was born, as we were neighbours in Bourkes. Dalton is part of my earliest memories. Fortunately, although we live in Ontario, we were able to get to South Carolina for a visit with Dalton and Frances in 2019. At that time, we met up with Lisa, whom I had only seen, along with her siblings, as a tiny child. Dalton always sent letters, photos and information about all his and Marilyn's wonderful family, of whom he was so (rightfully) proud. Through the years Dalton wrote volumes about the early years and family history, invaluable keepsakes for the family.  
We are making a donation in Dalton's name and send our heartfelt condolences to each and every one of you.  
With love,  
Bill and Linda Hart

Bill and Linda Hart - January 02, 2021 at 08:45 AM

GB

“ My name is Gaynelle Bowman. My dad was David Perkins. He was the brother of Irma Edmunds. Marilyn and Dalton were the first marriage my dad performed. When Mom and Dad were still alive Marilyn and Dalton used to visit them in their RV. I'm so thankful for the way they stayed in touch and Mom and Dad appreciated it so much. I've kept in touch with Dalton since Marilyn's death. I am so sorry to hear of his passing. I had just gotten a long Christmas email from him a few weeks ago. My deepest sympathy to Frances and all his children and grandchildren. Sincerely Gaynelle

Gaynelle E Bowman - December 28, 2020 at 12:25 PM

MT

“ *Mr. Hills was a kind Christian man . Always willing to take the time to talk to you. He will be missed. Deepest sympathies to his family. God bless. Merry Christmas, Mr. Hills!*



Mr and Mrs Ronald Taylor - December 22, 2020 at 01:22 PM

ML

“ *We remember when we first met. You were such a blessing. We knew you through your inlaws in New York. You were a comfort to us during our down days and a mighty warrior for God. May you all know that God is the great source of comfort. So sorry for your loss.*

Mr. & Mrs. David Lawson - December 21, 2020 at 02:29 PM

LS

“ *I am so sorry for your loss and offer my heartfelt sympathy! Dalton was a wonderful Christian man and a friend for many years. It is comforting to know he is now with Jesus, Marilyn, and many of his friends and family! Please know that I am praying for you all during this difficult time.*  
*Sincerely,*  
*Loretta (Pangel) Shue*

Loretta Shue - December 19, 2020 at 01:35 PM

BO

“ *Our hearts go out to the family with the loss of Dalton Man I remember fondly many many wonderful visit with Dalton Maralin and the family especially after we retired and 93 we made a point of stopping for Thanksgiving to visit Dalton Maralin and family 93 and 94 he will be missed. Mae and Bob Gerow*

bobgerow - December 19, 2020 at 01:11 PM

CV

“ To our cousins:

*I am so sorry to hear of Dalton's passing. He is remembered fondly. I remember fun times with him, Marilyn, Lisa and Mark at my parents' (Melvin and Jill) 25th wedding anniversary in High Prairie, Alberta. He had a great sense of humour and was very personable. He was one of a kind and is going to be missed. May God lift your hearts during this difficult time.*

*Sending prayers and hugs,  
Carolyn (Carol) Vasileiou  
Grande Prairie, Alberta,  
Canada*

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**Carolyn Vasileiou** - December 19, 2020 at 12:36 PM

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**Patricia Kocon** - December 19, 2020 at 08:29 AM

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*Dalton at 16 with Melvin and Mae in High Prairie*

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**Patricia Kocon** - December 19, 2020 at 08:32 AM

PK

“ *We are very saddened to hear of Dalton's passing. His father and my father were brothers, which made Dalton the only cousin Mae and I had in North America, and we cherished that family bond. We first met Dalton in 1952 when he and his parents made a trip to Alberta from Ontario, and have enjoyed regular correspondence, visits and friendship ever since. We will miss him immensely. Sending you love and prayers,  
Melvin, Jill and family*

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**Patricia Kocon** - December 19, 2020 at 08:28 AM

DC

“ To Frances and David, Marlene, Lisa and Mark and your families: I know you all have 'holes in your hearts' right now - and I do too. A very long friendship with this wonderful man - as well as your Mom. Over 70 years, from beginning to end!!!! He was so proud of you all - and I know he will be sorely missed by everyone. The Angels are surely rejoicing with his Homecoming. Frances....thank you for your love and care to Dalton. You and your family meant much to him. May God wrap His Everlasting Arms around each one of you. Love you all - Dottie Cross

Dottie Cross - December 18, 2020 at 07:01 PM

AH

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Adrianne Hills - December 18, 2020 at 10:15 AM

DC

Adrianne and David: I recall when your Dad sent me this picture, showing all his fret work. So beautiful. Dottie

Dottie Cross - December 18, 2020 at 06:47 PM

CV

Wow! That is amazing! He had that Scandinavian talent for woodworking. I remember my grandfather, Albert, Dalton's uncle, sitting for hours and whittling on a piece of wood.

Carolyn Vasileiou - December 19, 2020 at 12:40 PM

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Adrianne Hills - December 18, 2020 at 10:06 AM