



Howard Alan Coates

May 18, 1956 - February 10, 2025

Spartanburg, SC – Howard Alan Coates, 68, entered into Heaven on February 10, 2025. Alan was the son of Lee Jones and the late Kenneth Edward Coates. He was the loving husband of the late Joann Coates.

Alan served proudly in the United States Army, he was tried-and-true, and loved his country! Alan also loved his motorcycle and relied on “wind therapy” to clear his mind and fill his heart. He enjoyed the feeling of freedom a motorcycle could bring, and appreciated the fellowship that followed. Alan was a member of Biker’s Against Hunger – he had a loving heart and a joking spirit. To know him was to love him. Alan was also a member of Church Builders and lived a Christ centered life.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by his siblings, Sharon Guy (Kevin) and Sonya Horne; his nieces, Candice Anne Komko (Johnathon), Jalen Guy, Allison Brunson, and Faith Lovingood; and his great niece, Lucy Brunson.

In addition to his father and wife, he is preceded in death by his grandparents, Rillie Anne Smith and Geneva and Winford Horne.

A Celebration of Alan's Life will be held on Saturday, February 22, 2025 at 2:00 PM at Church Builders Tabernacle; 127 Fremont Ave Spartanburg, SC 29303.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Biker’s Against Hunger.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

FEB **22**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Church Builders Tabernacle
127 Fremont Ave
Spartanburg, SC 29303

Tribute Wall

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“ *I Will Always Remember Alan's Teehee Laugh,It Makes Me Smile to Think of that and last time I was with Him with the Family talking&Laughing All together.Im Glad Alan Can Rest Now and Is Whole!* ”



Kay Ruff - February 15, 2025 at 11:57 PM

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“ *Alan was very special to me. He and I had wonderful conversations and would speak freely to each other. He had such a sweet spirit and was very humble. I am so blessed to have called him friend. When healthy, he would be a regular attendee at Church Builders Tabernacle. Alan absolutely loved God and much of our conversations were about how good God was in our lives. He also loved motorcycles and would talk about places he had been. Everyone who knew Alan loved him. It was difficult to watch his health decline, but he was always positive to keep the focus off of him. He and I were the same age, so we could relate to each other. My life is better because of our friendship and I will look forward to seeing him again some day. He received his promotion and no longer has to be in pain. He had such a wonderful family who was very supportive. His laugh and smile made those around him appreciate his loving nature.* ”

Greg Smith - February 13, 2025 at 01:01 AM

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*Dear Lee, it has been many years since we have seen each other! I used to see Sonya at work. I am so sorry for your loss! Alan will be with his beloved wife and father, now! I am sending my condolences to the family! Rest in Peace, Alan.
Betty Jo (Cothran) Clary*

Betty Jo Clary - February 16, 2025 at 02:46 PM