



## Don M. Boykin, Sr.

April 5, 1941 - July 4, 2007

North Augusta, SC—Funeral Services for Mr. Don M. Boykin, Sr., 66, of Hammond Pond Road, North Augusta, SC, who entered the arms of his Heavenly Father and into eternal peace on July 4, 2007 will be conducted Friday morning at 11 o'clock from the First Baptist Church of North Augusta. Dr. Gary C. Redding and Rev. G. Larry Scales officiating. Interment in Sunset Hill Cemetery.

Mr. Boykin was a native of Milhaven, GA, having made North Augusta his lifelong residence. He was a graduate of North Augusta High School and employed by the CSX Railroad for 32 years. Don was faithful to the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and enjoyed the fellowship of the Retired Engineers. He was a historian of the Railroad and collector of Railroad Memorabilia. Mr. Boykin was a member of the First Baptist Church of North Augusta and the Acacia Masonic Lodge #315 AFM.

His family and friends will remember Don as a truly humble servant who had the gift of hospitality, always having an open door. He was a kind man and a dear devoted and faithful friend to many. Mr. Boykin was a master gardener, gifted craftsman and furniture maker and will be remembered fondly for his ability to recount events and tell stories. He loved sports and was an avid fan of the University of Alabama.

Survivors include his wife of 32 years, Laura Ryba Boykin; two sons and a daughter-in-law, Don Michael and Olivia Boykin, Spartanburg, SC, and James Lawton Boykin, West Palm Beach, FL; a granddaughter, Kendall Paige Boykin; a brother, Tommy W. Boykin, North Augusta.

Pallbearers will be Marty Boykin, Fathy EILaissi, Michael Long, Jeff Norton, James Robinson and Greg Robinson.

The family will receive friends at the Church Friday morning from 9 o'clock until the hour of the service.

Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church of North Augusta Building Fund, 625 Georgia Ave, North Augusta, SC 29841.

Stephen D. Posey Funeral Home of North Augusta in charge of arrangements (803.278.1181). Visit the registry online at [www.poseyfuneralhome.com](http://www.poseyfuneralhome.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 6. 9:00 AM - 10:45 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church of North Augusta  
602 Georgia Ave  
North Augusta, SC

## Service

JUL 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Don M. Boykin, Sr.*

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October 06, 2023 at 06:29 AM



“ *Don M. Boykin, Sr.*

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September 24, 2022 at 12:12 PM



“ *Laura,*

*I am so sorry to hear about Don's passing. It has been almost 2 years since I had spoken to Don. We ran into each other at the hospital one day. I will truly miss his friendly smile and always had an up-beat in his voice. He was truly devoted and loved his family. He talked so fondly of you all. Please know that you and your family are in my thoughts at this time of loss.##imported-begin##Diane Edenfield##imported-end##*

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July 09, 2007 at 12:43 PM



“ Meeting the Boykin family has been one of the greatest blessing of my life. It is rare to meet a man whose friendship would make you a better person; Don was one of those men. I will deeply miss him. Laura, Mike and Jay: you are in my prayers and I want you to know that your family has had a profound impact on mine. I am confident that our God will sustain and comfort you during this time.

Your Dear Friends,

Mark, Tami, Distin, Nathan and Luke

Psalm 34:18##imported-begin##Coach Mark Miller##imported-end##

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July 08, 2007 at 02:21 PM



“ Laura Mike and Jay, It was such a shock to read that Don had passed away. The tears just started pouring. We had such fun growing up across the street and when I would baby sit the boys. I know you will miss him tremendously as I will, I can picture his smile whenever I think of him. I remember going into Heirs Drugstore and seeing him sitting there talking to whoever would stop by and they all did. Your family is in my prayers. Love Susie##imported-begin##Susie Harper Cromer##imported-end##

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July 06, 2007 at 07:46 PM



“ Dear Laura and family,

*We are so sad to hear of Don's passing, he was a childhood friend who we have many fond memories of. our prayers are with you and the family as we all will miss him.*

*Bill and Gwen Self##imported-begin##Gwen and Bill Self##imported-end##*

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July 06, 2007 at 06:17 PM



“ Mike and Olivia

*I'm so sorry to hear about your father. Just remember that God is in control and that your Dad is now in a better place than any of us.*

*Take care - AEKDB*

*Call me if you need any thing 864 486-2663##imported-begin##Jamie Ray##imported-end##*

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July 06, 2007 at 09:04 AM



“ Mrs. Boykin, I am so sorry to hear about Mr. Don. Please know that you and your family are in our prayers. We send you much love at this difficult time!##imported-begin##Melissa (Posey) Loose##imported-end##

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July 06, 2007 at 07:32 AM



“ DEAR LAURA, MIKE, OLIVIA, KENDAL, JAY,  
AND FAMILY,

*YOU have been and will continue to be in our prayers. DON was the ultimate "PEOPLE PERSON". EVERYONE who knew him loved him and loved to hear his funny stories. We know he has gotten everybody laughing in heaven already. YOU were the lights of his life.*

*LAURA, do you remember when you brought Don over to meet Daddy? He thought of you as another daughter , and he wanted to make sure you would be loved and protected forever. You and I got scarce so they could visit. We could hear them laughing and telling railroad stories. By the time y'all left, they were old buddies. After the door closed, Daddy said " Laura has chosen a fine young man. He's got character, and he'll always be there for her. I FEEL GOOD ABOUT HER FUTURE. He'll give her a happy life."*

*AND HE DID GIVE YOU AND YOUR FAMILY THE GIFT OF A HAPPY LIFE FILLED WITH LOVE. There is no greater gift.*

*We love you.##imported-begin##Jeannie , Jim, Reed, and Chris##imported-end##*

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July 06, 2007 at 02:44 AM



“ *Laura and family,*

*Don was a very dear friend to me, one who can never be replaced.. Please accept my deepest sympathy in your loss. Whenever I see a train or run my train layout, I will think of Don.. I will truly miss him..*

*My best,*

*Neel##imported-begin##Neel Flannagan##imported-end##*

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July 05, 2007 at 10:27 PM



“ We give our sympathy to the Boykin family.  
I speak for myself as well as for the  
North Augusta High School Class of 1953,  
Tommy's class.

Sue Buck

Also for: Class of 1953##imported-begin##Sue Buck##imported-end##

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July 05, 2007 at 04:23 PM



“ Laura,

Please accept our deepest sympathy and know that we care. We are remembering you in our thoughts and prayers. We know that you and your family have so many special memoires of Don. He will always be with you living within your hearts.

We love you,

Ann and Bobby Marks##imported-begin##Ann and Bobby Marks##imported-end##

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July 05, 2007 at 04:13 PM



“ Laura,

We were so sorry to hear the news about Don. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Frank & LaDon##imported-begin##Frank Young##imported-end##

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July 05, 2007 at 01:34 PM



“ I will miss your stories. I will miss your jokes. I will miss your hilarious complaining. I will miss seeing and hearing how much you genuinely cared for and loved your family and all of your friends. I will miss you, my dear friend.##imported-begin##Mike Price##imported-end##

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July 05, 2007 at 10:03 AM



“ Laura, I'm so sorry for you loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. I'm out of town but you are in my thoughts today and for those to come.  
Cathey##imported-begin##Cathey Ferrell##imported-end##

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July 05, 2007 at 08:08 AM



“ We grew up with Don and considered him a dear friend.....we have many fond memories of our teenage years.....Don, we'll miss you.

With Deepest Sympathy,  
Elaine & Lanny Montgomery##imported-begin##Elaine & Lanny Montgomery##imported-end##

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July 04, 2007 at 09:28 PM