



Mr. Anthony "Andy" Shelton Echerd

March 15, 1949 - April 26, 2015

Mr. Anthony "Andy" Shelton Echerd, 66 of Mt Ulla, NC passed away Sunday, April 26, 2015 at Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center.

Born March 15, 1949 in Burlington, NC to the late James H. Echerd and Mary Connolly Echerd, he was a graduate of East Mecklenburg High School. He then graduated from Central Piedmont Community College and Appalachian State University Class of 1971. Mr. Echerd was the owner and operator of Echerd and Associates, Inc., a medical supply and x-ray equipment sales company, for over 25 years.

He was a member of First Baptist Church in Salisbury, NC where he had taught Sunday school.

Surviving is his wife of 28 years, Betty Lou Echerd; children, Shelley Echerd Stover and husband Scot of Huntersville, NC; Nicole Echerd Coulter and husband Kevin of Charlotte, NC; Anna C. Echerd of Wake Forest, NC; brother, Jim Echerd of Statesville, NC; twin sister, Toni Pottinger of Statesville, NC; and three grandchildren: Zoey Stover, Kolie Coulter and Cassie Stover. He is also survived by his beloved dogs, Poncho, Merle, and Patch.

A funeral service will be held at 3 PM Sunday (May 3) at First Baptist Church, conducted by Rev. Dr. Kenneth Lance and Rev. Brian Farmer. The family will

receive friends following the service in the fellowship hall.

Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church, 223 N. Fulton St., Salisbury, NC 28144 or Rowan Helping Ministries, PO Box 4026, Salisbury, NC 28145.

Summersett Funeral Home is serving the Echerd family. Online condolences may be made at www.summersettfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Service

MAY 3. 3:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church Salisbury
223 N. Fulton St.
Salisbury, NC 28144

Tribute Wall

DB

“ I am so sorry for your loss of Andy. He was a good friend for many years. He was always available whenever we needed help. I will always remember his kindness, joyful spirit and his smile whenever he came into the clinic. My staff and I will continue to remember you during these trying days. Andy loved the Lord and people and I count it a privilege to have known him. We will never forget him. He was a part of our clinic family and was special to all of us. I pray for your strength and peace.

Dr. Raddy Blankenship and Staff

Dr Raddy Blankenship - May 03, 2015 at 10:18 AM

 Janice Truemper

“ You could ALWAYS count on Andy to have a contagious smile and quick wit! I first met him at the animal hospital, then through Ski Club events, then as a Fulton Heights neighbor. I am so sorry to hear of his passing, and send condolences to Betty Lou, Anna, and all the family. So many of us will miss him, his sense of humor, and excitement for life.

Janice Truemper - May 01, 2015 at 06:30 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Mr. Anthony "Andy" Shelton Echerd.



May 01, 2015 at 12:02 PM

SG

“ *The last several years I've been working with Andy when he needed help. He always insisted on paying for lunch and Andy would always give a prayer of thanks. We talked about our loved ones and Andy often would tell me how much he loved his family. I got to know more about Andy and we became friends. We were in Concord, NC working and I got sick. Throwing up outside his van and he wanted to stop somewhere to look for a birthday present for Betty Lou. Finally he decided that maybe I was too sick and we went directly home. I surely am going to miss Andy, he was such a positive, good, man. He made me laugh when I was sad. I need him to make me laugh now...God Bless you Andy!*

Steve Gilbert - April 30, 2015 at 08:32 PM

PW

“ *Betty Lou,*

I am so sorry for the loss I know you are suffering now. Lean on your family as they will help lift you up. I want you to know you have always been a joy to know and I am lifting you up in my prayers. May God bless you and all the family especially at this sad time.

*Pam Williams
Wilmington, NC*

Pamela W Williams - April 30, 2015 at 10:11 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Anthony "Andy" Shelton Echerd.*



April 29, 2015 at 12:15 PM

MS

“ There are no words to express the loss I feel knowing I will never see Andy's smiling face walk through the door here at Harris Blvd Veterinary Clinic. He was one of a kind and always had a way of lighting the place up. He always had a kind word and when he asked how I was feeling, it was genuine. I am happy knowing I will always have an angel like Andy watching over me. He liked to tease me that I should come with a warning label, because he said I was a firecracker that could handle my own. If he only knew how much my heart hurts knowing I lost a friend like him. -Michelle

Michelle Sant - April 29, 2015 at 11:31 AM

JA

“ Andy was the "Count of Joy." You could never be in Andy's presence and break out into a grin, a smile, a chuckle or even into pure laughter. He sprinkled joy everywhere he went. Now, Andy is residing at the source of his joy, where the well never runs dry. Gary and I pray that Andy's family will find joy in his absence, and may their memories bring joy back into their lives. We love you.

Jean Allen - April 29, 2015 at 10:45 AM



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April 29, 2015 at 08:59 AM