



Shawn D. Willey

NOV 16, 1972 - OCT 14, 2019



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Shawn Willey pastor of Abundant Life Christian Church, Laurel Delaware, unexpectedly went home to be with his Lord and Savior on Monday, October 14, 2019. He went above and beyond in the community coaching and mentoring the football teams, both Laurel and Woodbridge, while also being an avid volunteer with FCA, serving and sharing with Delmarva Teen Challenge, and square one, enjoying quality time serving the Lord and eating breakfast with his brothers at SMA, and many more uncountable acts of love and service. Being naturally gifted in many ways including: building and painting birdhouses, playing the drums for the church choir, and most recently starting his business “oxidation creations” modeling and weathering trains. He was a light that had shown through the darkness for those who needed a helping hand, a shoulder to cry on, and a friend to call with no judgment. He truly was an inspiration and had an influential part to all who crossed his path. He always had a kind and encouraging word to say with a huge smile on his face. Most of all, he loved his family and church family. He started Abundant Life Christian Church in January 2013, pouring his entire heart and soul into helping others understand God’s love and to be a true disciple of Jesus Christ. Between his “happy dance” and his famous sayings like “Come as you are, just don’t stay that way”, and “True belief in Jesus will change your character“. He did everything to be a true servant and show the love of Christ through himself.

He is survived by his wife, Wendy Willey, his daughter, Courtney Willey and boyfriend/adopted son Kyle Conway, his mother, Karen Draper and her husband Richard, his father, Wendell Hudson, his two brothers, T.J. Willey and wife Kandi, and Troy Willey and wife Kalena.

To honor him we will be having a celebration of life at 2:00 pm at Eagles Nest Fellowship Church, 26633 Zion Church Rd, Milton, DE 19968 on Sunday, October 20, 2019 with a visitation held at



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lpm prior to the service.


To share memories with the family, please visit www.framptom.com



Events

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Visitation


 **Sunday**, October 20, 2019

 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM ET


 **Eagles Nest Fellowship Church**
2633 Zion Road, Milton DE 19968



Memorial Service

 **Sunday**, October 20, 2019

 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ET

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2633 Zion Road, Milton DE 19968





Tribute Wall

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TP

Tammy Payne lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

November 24 at 7:02 PM



MT

Mesha Trammell lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

From Friendlys to the Roadhouse, I will always remember our crazy talks and our conversations about God. I thank God for placing a great person like you in my path. One thing for sure, I know where you are at, the rest of us have to get there! Lots of love ❤️ Mesha

October 25 at 4:53 AM



MP

Michelle Phillips lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

October 21 at 10:00 AM



AS

Alonzo Sheppard posted:

On behalf of my family myself, Angel and Elizabeth we would like to take this time to encourage you and let you all know we love you and you are in our prayers

October 21 at 6:37 AM

JW

Jeffrey Willey lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

October 20 at 12:49 PM



TB

Tammy Benton lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

October 20 at 8:27 AM





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Tammy Benton posted:

Pastor Shawn was always there for us. Even though we ran from God he still took time to talk to us every time he saw us, which was very often. He was a great man. I remember him always saying he wanted to go home. He was ready and excited to go. Pastor Shawn you are now home. Walking the golden roads. Living in your castle that you built with all your love for God. You will be truly missed down here. We won't be crying because you went home. We'll be crying cause you'll be missed.

October 20 at 8:27 AM



Harry And Pat Gordon lit a candle in honor of Shawn.



October 20 at 4:01 AM

LP **Laura Phillips** October 20 at 10:15 AM
Sorry for your loss sending prayers to the family

HG **Harry And Pat Gordon** October 20 at 4:02 AM
Our thoughts and prayers are with You Wendy and Family. We are truly so very sorry. ❤️ 👤 🙏
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Eddie And Tracy Whaley lit a candle in honor of Shawn.



October 19 at 2:31 AM



Michael Willey lit a candle in honor of Shawn.



October 18 at 7:44 PM



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TF

Tammy Faulkner lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

October 18 at 8:39 AM



JL

Joann Lecates lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

Lit a candle in the memorial of Shawn Willey

October 17 at 8:44 PM



JC

John Comeau lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

Even though he was my cousin, we were close like brothers when I was separated from my brothers. Lots of fond memories while growing up, then reconnecting a few years ago after my absence of 20+ years. A great man who's loss will impact both his family and his community. May he have peace with his Lord.

October 17 at 2:12 PM



LB

Laina Betts lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

October 17 at 1:10 PM



LB

Laina Betts lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

October 17 at 1:09 PM



KM

Kari Munsell lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

October 17 at 9:05 AM





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JZ

Joe Zahner posted:

When I got divorced I turned away and ran from God, Shawn called me up and asked me to come in and see him. When I got there he called me Peter and I asked him why? He said Jesus told Peter that he would deny him three times before the rooster crowed and after Jesus was crucified Peter ran and turn back to his old ways and said I'm going fishing. Shawn look at me and said why are you going fishing just like Jesus brought Peter back Shawn turn me around. I have many more memories I love you brother I will never forget everything you done for me and my family.

October 17 at 7:07 AM

MP

Michael Procino lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

October 17 at 6:26 AM



PP

Patricia Procino lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

October 17 at 6:25 AM



GD

Gene And Suzette Donovan lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

October 17 at 1:28 AM



SD

Steve And Denise Draper lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

October 16 at 5:21 PM





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David & Debbie Willey lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

October 16 at 2:59 PM



Tami & Sam Golt lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

October 16 at 9:57 AM



Katie October 16 at 6:41 PM

You were a coach for my son's Laurel HS baseball team last year. He was so sad to hear about the accident and said you were such a nice person and a good coach. My prayers are with your family in this very difficult time.



Harold & Pat Hafer posted:

We are very sorry for your loss. God called Shawn home too soon in our eyes but I am sure God had his reasons. I am glad that Shawn got to make his dream of having his own church to serve God come true. He was an awesome person and touched many lives. He will be sorely missed. Prayers for your family in this difficult time. May God be with you. Harold and Pat Hafer

October 16 at 9:55 AM



Ed & Tonya Zitvogel lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

October 16 at 9:45 AM



Linden Thompson lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

October 16 at 7:27 AM





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Shane Taylor posted:

Shawn was a great example of the Godly man that we strive to become. Always quick with a smile, a laugh, a prayer, or a hug, depending on the situation. I'm glad I got to call you a friend. I'm sure you're enjoying your rightful home. Many hugs and prayers to Wendy and Courtney, may the love of Christ bring you comfort in these difficult days.

October 16 at 5:38 AM



Sally Ray lit a candle in honor of Shawn.



October 16 at 5:16 AM



Stephanie Wilson lit a candle in honor of Shawn.



October 16 at 4:34 AM



Pamela Spencer lit a candle in honor of Shawn.



October 16 at 4:09 AM

PS Pamela Spencer October 16 at 4:21 AM

I have known Shawn since he was a baby and I am blown away about how God has used him and grow him to be the good man he was. I don't know Gods ways for they are not mine but I know they are right. Shawn was and is in the arms of God. We are left with a loss of a Husband, Son, brother, friend and pastor to many, my prayers are with you. I pray that some how you will find comfort in knowing that Shawn is with the Lord and we have all been touched in some way by knowing him. RIP in the arms of your Savior. I love you Shawn. Aunt Pam



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Benjamin Sharp posted:

Shawn was always a kind and caring person. I will remember him always. Love and prayers to all impacted by this tremendous loss.

October 15 at 7:42 PM



Gary Sensenig posted:

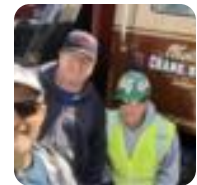
Praying for comfort for the family in this time of grieving. I've had some great conversations with Shawn about being a follower of Jesus, out on our job sites after setting trusses.

October 15 at 7:40 PM



Kenny Richardson shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

My condolences to his family. I met Shawn and Wendy back in 2000 when they were looking to purchase their first home. Since then we have always stayed in touch, and I have had the pleasure to work with him on some of my building projects. Shawn would always say a prayer for my crew before we started our day, and that always gave me peace. Rest easy my friend!



October 15 at 7:25 PM



Shirley Jager lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

My deepest condolences go out to his family, the church and all the ones who loved him! He was a very kind soul who loved the Lord. You had so much to give to the community and touched many lives. Loved and missed but never forgotten!



October 15 at 6:53 PM



Melissa posted:

Woww.. I'm at a loss of words right now Im sitting here thinking about all the good times that Shawn and I had as kids in momom Willey s back yard as our parents were visiting Goshh this just doesn't seem possible Shawn and I grew up and went on our way and just lost touch over the years I knew about all his accomplishments of his journey And his Wife Wendy I went to school with her But I always knew that he would go places in life cause he always had a different outlook on things than most others... Many thoughts and Prayers to his family and friends

October 15 at 6:42 PM



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Gary And Wendy Justice lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

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Debbie And Russell Blessing lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

October 15 at 6:02 PM



DB Debbie And Russell Blessing October 15 at 6:05 PM
our thoughts and prayers go out to all the family for this great loss may friends be a comfort for you God Speed



Pam And Bud Holloway lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

October 15 at 6:02 PM



Heather Bautista lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

October 15 at 5:43 PM



Crystal Cyr lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

October 15 at 5:23 PM





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BJ

Brandy & Delaney Jewell lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

Keeping the Willey Family in our thoughts and prayers. Hold on to the memories you will always have them. Sending lots of love to you all especially Terry, Kandi, Bren, Brooke, Karen & Richard

October 15 at 4:56 PM



SW

Shawn Wright lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

October 15 at 4:20 PM



LA

Lisa Absher lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

So sorry for your loss. God Bless you all! Saying prayers for you all! Lisa Absher

October 15 at 4:18 PM



CC

Charlie And Trudy Chaffinch lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

October 15 at 4:07 PM



PV

Pamela Varvaro lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

October 15 at 3:58 PM



FW

Faith Wood lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

October 15 at 3:55 PM





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TD

Tanya Donovan lit a candle in honor of Shawn.
Rest Easy Shawn. You will be missed.

October 15 at 3:45 PM



CC

Coach Gary Cannon lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

October 15 at 3:38 PM



TJ

Tim & Billie Jo Justice lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

October 15 at 3:33 PM



TM

Tonya Marshall lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

October 15 at 3:28 PM



SM

Sara Munsell lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

October 15 at 3:21 PM



CA

Carol Argo lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

October 15 at 3:06 PM





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BS

Ben Sorrells lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

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GP

Glenda Peyatt lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

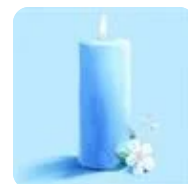
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BW

Bonnie Workman lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

October 15 at 3:02 PM



SM

Sabrina Marland lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

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LP

Leonard Pritchard lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

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KD

Kevin Donovan lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

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Terry Lou Wright lit a candle in honor of Shawn.



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Melissa Lewis posted:

Pastor Shawn was the most selfless, God loving man I have ever known. I'll never forget the day he reached out to me and asked if he could visit my dad in the hospital, as he knew he was very ill. That one act of kindness and the many that followed, brought my father and our family peace in difficult times. I'll never forget the long talks, warmest hugs, and the truest definition of love in human form, Pastor Shawn Willey. My heart hurts for Wendy and Courtney and the rest of the family, your church family, and everyone else whose life was better with you in it. I also rejoice in the fact that I know you're doing your happy dance on the streets of gold in Heaven with my Daddy ❤️ #godstrong

October 15 at 2:10 PM



Jeanie Kline posted:

Wendy, Courtney, Kyle, Karen and Richard thank you so much for sharing Pastor Shawn with us. I know he is "doing his happy dance" with his pedicured feet walking on the streets of Gold. He loved his church and the community and wanted them to see the love that God has for us the way he loved God. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. We love you! Tom, Jeanie, and Francis

October 15 at 1:58 PM



Millie Lehner lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

Shawn was the man that taught me to welcome the Lord back into my heart I relied on him many times for guidance we had serious talks and also humours talks I am so sorry he has left us but I know heaven received a kind angle my prayers and love to Wendy Courtney karem Kyle and Richard my love and prayers to you all



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Janine lit a candle in honor of Shawn.



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Janine October 15 at 1:59 PM

Without Pastor Shawn I would have not been leading this Christian life.. He was a GREAT Pastor and a awesome friend!! I am going to miss him so much!! Wear that crown proud until we meet again!!



Angela Bratten lit a candle in honor of Shawn.



October 15 at 1:54 PM



Larry Whaley posted:

So thankful to have called Shawn my friend! I will cherish our conversations about Jesus and praying for each other! Till we meet again, love you brother!

October 15 at 1:53 PM



William Newsom sent a virtual gift in honor of Shawn.

Pastor Shawn had a huge impact on my life that was responsible for where my walk with the Lord is now. He is greatly missed. My heart, thoughts, and prayers are with the family and the church. I will see you someday when the Lord calls me home and we can do your happy dance together



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Lakisha Ennis lit a candle in honor of Shawn.

The Ennis family sends their deepest, sincerest condolences to his family. He was an amazing man who lived his life to honor Christ. He was kind, loving, and selfless. My fondest memory of Pastor Willey is hours after giving birth to our first son. My husband didn't want to disturb him at 5:00 in the morning but knew if he didn't, Pastor Willey would be disappointed. As promised, Eston texted him to let him know the baby had arrived and we were both doing well. Pastor Willey said he'd come check on us sometime later that day. Approximately 3 1/2 hours after giving birth...I looked up to see his smiling face and rosy cheeks walking into that hospital room. He was beaming with joy. He prayed over our newborn son and our family. I don't know if he ever realized how much that meant to us but his sacrifice and selflessness in that moment left a lasting memory on us all. An amazing man full of life, love, joy, and Jesus gone too soon. Although, we are grieving, we also know he is where he lived his life to be...in the arms of Jesus.



October 15 at 1:26 PM



Joselyn Taylor posted:

Shawn Loved Jesus.I recall hearing him preach from his living room.I know he must of been in awe to have Jesus reach his hand out to him.I just feel he wasnt done yet.So now we have to apply all the lessons he ministered to us.

October 15 at 1:21 PM



Rebecca Jones posted:

What a great man of God our area has lost! I'll remember how we'd talk and laugh during Fundraiser at The Bridge. You'll be sorely missed, Pastor.

October 15 at 1:18 PM



Patricia Cahall lit a candle in honor of Shawn.



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Tina Quillen lit a candle in honor of Shawn.



October 15 at 1:08 PM



Kenny Richardson shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

October 15 at 7:25 PM





Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Shawn by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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