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Elmer Linton Dillingham, Jr. died unexpectedly on August 9, 2011, while receiving treatment at MD Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, Texas. He was 66. His wife, Mary Cameron Phillips Dillingham of St. Augustine, Florida; daughter Cameron Dillingham Paschall and her husband Stephen Paschall; infant grandson Walker Linton Paschall; and a stepson, William March Jamison, all of Greensboro, North Carolina, survive him. Mr. Dillingham was the son of Valera Roberts Dillingham and Elmer L. Dillingham, Sr. He grew up in Lindale, Georgia, where he attended public school. He graduated from Berry College, received a masters degree from California State University at Northridge, and completed additional degree and graduate courses at Lenoir-Rhyne College, the University of North Carolina, and Western Carolina University. Elmer was an educator, having served as a teacher and a coach, before becoming an educational administrator, serving as the superintendent of the North Carolina Schools for the Deaf in both Morganton and Wilson. He became the president of the Florida School for the Deaf and Blind in 1997 and remained in that position until his retirement in 2008. He was committed to his schools and the children which they served. His focus was always on the students, with the goal of assuring that they received the most appropriate education and care. He attributed his successes to the dedicated faculty and staff with whom he was privileged to collaborate. Upon his retirement Elmer

was recognized by Berry College for outstanding contributions to the field of education and was named President Emeritus by the Florida School for the Deaf and Blind, both honors for which he was most grateful and proud. Elmer loved his family and was devoted to his friends. He was an avid golfer and enjoyed Gator Football and Carolina Basketball. Private services will be held at a later date. The family requests that in lieu of flowers, memorial gifts be made to the Florida School for the Deaf and Blind's Elmer Dillingham Scholarship Fund at the following address: Florida School for the Deaf and Blind, Attention: Terri Wiseman, 207 North San Marco Avenue, St. Augustine Florida, 32084. St. Johns Family Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

# Tribute Wall

SR

“ So sorry to hear about Junior. I did not know that he had been sick. I will praying for all of you. Love, Aunt Sara Rickman

Sara Roberts Rickman - August 31, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ Dear Mary Cameron and family . So sorry to hear about JUNIOR .He was a very special cousin to me.My heart and prayers are sent to you and family.May GOD hold you in these so sad times .LOVE YOU AND FAMILY Cindy

Cindy Rickman Corbin - August 30, 2011 at 12:00 AM

ME

“ You have my deepest symphany for the loss of such a great man! May peace be with you and yours. Mike EverettB

Mike Everett - August 30, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ Sorry to hear about "JR". Didn't know his condition. We just don't commmunicate as our families did years ago. If there's anything we can do please don't hesitate to call.

Randall Roberts - August 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ I am so sorry to hear of Junior's passing. I just came from Kernersville NC. Wish I had know he was there. My prayers and sympathy for the family.

Glenda Rickman Shuler - August 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM



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August 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dearest Mary Cameron and family, George and I are just in SHOCK to learn that Elmer is no longer "with us". TRULY, heartbroken . George and I sat and talked about ALL the wonderful things and qualities we remembered about Elmer... Life is just not fair. You are in our hearts and our prayers- as is Elmer. He was such a great guy. Please try to take care of each other. We just learned of this tragic, FAR TOO SOON loss- today ! 8-28-11. Our deepest sympathy. Love from Susan and George*

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**Susan & George Andrea** - August 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM