



Mr. Ralph Adolph Tanksley

August 24, 1929 - August 11, 2013

Ralph Adolph Tanksley, 83, of 310 Hillview Drive, Salem, son of the late Ernest Lee and Estella Tanksley, died Sunday, August 11, 2013 at Majesty Health & Rehab in Easley, SC.

A native of Easley, SC, Mr. Tanksley was a fashion photographer for Rich's of Atlanta, GA for 25 years. After Rich's, he started and taught the curriculum of fashion photography at Massey Junior College.

Mr. Tanksley is survived by his daughters: Debra Tanksley Smith (Steve) of Salem, SC, and Phylis Elaine Tanksley of West Union, SC; brother: Ernest Lee Tanksley, Jr. (Edna) of Lakeland, FL; sisters: Beatrice Hamilton (Fred) and Margaret Owens (Harry) of Seneca, SC; grandsons: David Smith and Luke Smith; and four great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, Mr. Tanksley was predeceased by his birth mother: Viola Butler and brother Edward Lee Tanksley.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 PM, Wednesday, August 14, 2013 at Davenport Funeral Home Chapel with burial to follow at Oconee Memorial Park in Seneca, SC.

The family will receive friends from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM at Davenport Funeral

Home.

Flowers are accepted and the family is at their respective homes.

Cemetery Details

Oconee Memorial Park

1923 Blue Ridge Boulevard
Seneca, SC 29672
<http://oconeememorialpark.com?>

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 14. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Davenport Funeral Home
311 S Highway 11
West Union, SC 29696
(864) 638-3611
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<https://www.davenportfuneralhome.com>

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Ralph Adolph Tanksley*

January 28, 2023 at 01:03 PM



“ *Dear Tanksley Family, I am so sorry to hear of Ralph's passing. I haven't seen him in many years since we had reunions at my mom & dad's place in Walhalla but have thought him and the family often. I know we are related through Viola Butler but don't know much more. Please accept my sincere condolences. John Butler jbbutler13@gmail.com*



John Butler - August 16, 2013 at 11:42 AM



“ *So sorry to hear about your grandfather. I know you will truly miss him. Love and prayers to you and your family.*

The Wilsons (Tom, Laurie, Jimmy and Sean)



Laurie Wilson - August 16, 2013 at 11:08 AM



“ *Lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ralph Adolph Tanksley.*



Robert & Ann Herron - August 14, 2013 at 12:35 PM

DF

“ *Designers Touch Florist lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ralph Adolph Tanksley*



Designers Touch Florist - August 13, 2013 at 03:06 PM

JS

“ *Jackie&Ellen Sentell sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Ralph Adolph Tanksley*



Jackie&Ellen Sentell - August 13, 2013 at 08:12 AM

DT

“ *David & Marci Talley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ralph Adolph Tanksley*



David & Marci Talley - August 12, 2013 at 10:53 PM