



## Anthony Giannini Hankins

July 26, 1954 - November 15, 2012

Andy Hankins, 58, a retired Extension Specialist of Virginia State University passed away November 15, 2012. Andy is survived by his mother, Audrey Hamner; siblings, Wendy Huffman, John, Joe, and Jim; wife, Diane; and beloved son, Joseph. A memorial service is planned at Virginia State University's Gateway Dining Center on December 7th, from 1 to 3 p.m. (please note: this is a change in time).

# Previous Events

## Service

DEC 7. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Virginia State University (Gateway Dining Center)  
1 Hayden Drive  
Petersburg, VA 23806

# Tribute Wall

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“ Professor Dr.Hankins, is a very good person with kind heart. He encourages every individual who meet him professionally for some help or advice, always likes to help junior researchers in the field of horticulture. I am one among them. He helped me with a very good advise, even- though he did not even know me, as I am pretty new to the VSU campus when I approached him for a research project when I am about to complete my project. I was shocked when I heard about his death, Hope he is safe, peaceful and happy in the heaven and sharing his smiles to everyone.

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**Satya S Narina** - June 22, 2018 at 06:54 PM

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“ I am in shock...I was looking up Andy's number to give him a call..Andy was one of the finest men I ever ever met..we met in college..I will never forget him in Woods-Penn at a ball..he literally swept me around the ballroom teaching me the waltz..and then later he taught us all to clog..wonderful clogger with those wonderful big long legs..always an encourager and wonderful Christian friend and gentleman..I am so sorry for your loss..How's Heaven Andy?

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**ambra moore** - May 25, 2013 at 09:28 AM

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**Michael Bridges** - November 23, 2012 at 04:32 PM

JL

“ Jennifer Lantrip lit a candle in memory of  
Anthony Giannini Hankins



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**Jennifer Lantrip** - November 22, 2012 at 05:55 PM

JL

*I first met Andy in 1988. I can not begin to list all the ways he helped me on my farm. I also can not list all the things he taught me. Everyone who knew him was blessed by his knowledge, patience, humor, and strength.*

*He left us all too soon.*

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**Jennifer Lantrip** - November 22, 2012 at 05:59 PM

TP

“ *To Andy's family and friends,  
Sandy and I are deeply saddened to learn that Andy passed away.  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

*We first met Andy back in 2008 as beginning farmers. Andy has given my family so much help since then. He assisted and encouraged us each step of the way as we muddled our way through the steep learning curve as beginning farmers. He eagerly helped me during my Graduate coursework at VSU. He was so supportive of adding our daughter Annabelle to the VABF children's agenda so she could share her own experience with other children on how she began and has grown her own chicken and fresh egg business. He encouraged our son Lawrence to start his own agriculture business each time we seen Andy at a conference. He loved talking with our children about agriculture. And with just one phone call, Andy drove to West Point to assist us on writing a USDA grant for the elementary school.*

*There are just not enough words to express what a great, kind person Andy was. It is rare these days that you find a person with just the right mix of knowledge, experience, people skills and moral character that I experienced with Andy. God Bless you all during these trying times. Cherish the memories and know that Andy is in a much better place.*

*Tracy, Sandy, Annabelle & Lawrence Porter  
Morning Glory Farm  
West Point, VA*

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**Tracy & Sandy Porter** - November 21, 2012 at 12:51 PM

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**Theresa Nartea** - November 21, 2012 at 09:51 AM

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*Andy truly was so special. Whoever came into his presence felt his warmth and caring. No matter what he was doing (and he was always doing something for others) he would stop and make sure that you were doing okay. He had smiles for every occasion and always, always put our minds at ease that everything would work out and not to worry about anything. That was who Andy was. He made every situation better because he was present in the room and if he wasn't his spirit was. He was about serving others and he was a great example of living a life of purpose. I miss Andy very much. My prayers are with his family and everyone who was touched by one of the sweetest, purest, and gentlest spirits to grace this earth. I am confident I will see my friend again in Heaven. It is my belief he is already planning the most beautiful flower garden with Mexican sage for late fall blooms of purple, zinnias and dahlias for a summer explosion of color. Andy always was thinking of making the world a beautiful place! He did and does, even now.*

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**Theresa Nartea** - November 21, 2012 at 10:03 AM

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“ Danna Antoine And Bill Wellman lit a candle in memory of Anthony Giannini Hankins



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**Danna Antoine and Bill Wellman** - November 21, 2012 at 07:10 AM



*We were blessed to know Andy and have him as a friend. A gentle, kind soul. We send our love and condolences to his family and friends.*

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**Danna Antoine and Bill Wellman** - November 21, 2012 at 07:19 AM



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November 21, 2012 at 07:01 AM