



## Timothy Cauldwell

May 24, 2024

Timothy James Cauldwell, 65, born in Portsmouth, Virginia to Joy Sloan Cauldwell and the late Bill Junior Cauldwell, went home to be with his Lord and Savior on Friday, May 24, 2024.

Tim had a tenured career in the automotive parts and collision industry, getting his start at age 16 working alongside his father at Hoff Cadillac, then working for more than 38 years at Phillips Oldsmobile, now Charles Barker Mercedes. He loved working on cars, having served on the pit crew for many friends in amateur racing at Langley Speedway, and was frequently called on by family, friends and neighbors as their favorite mechanic.

His love for cars was matched by his passion for coaching youth sports. Tim was a baseball, softball, football and basketball coach for more years than can be counted at Olive Branch Little League (OB) and Manor Basketball. It was at an OB baseball game that he met the love of his life Rene Stafford. Tim and Rene shared more than 44 years of marriage and went on to raise their two children, Shawn and Jennifer, on the courts and fields. The family's fondest memories and greatest friends were made while playing sports. Tim led his baseball and softball teams to many district titles, and cherished the state tournament trips with his players who will remember him as their most loving and "animated" coach.

As his children outgrew sports, Tim's fandom turned to Old Dominion Athletics. He loved the Monarchs, especially basketball and football. His "Cauldwell Zone" tailgates will never be forgotten, and it is certain that the basketball refs will have an easier job without their biggest reviewer in the front row. In his spare time, Tim loved taking mountain road trips with friends on his Harley. He was rarely seen not wearing a Harley Davidson tee shirt.

Tim was predeceased by his father, Bill Cauldwell; mother-in-law, Patricia Stafford; paternal grandparents, Sophia and Herchel Cauldwell; and maternal grandparents, Dewey and Delma Sloan.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife Rene Cauldwell; children, Shawn Cauldwell (Cara) and Jennifer Garrott (Dirk); grandsons, Kellen and Logan Cauldwell; mother, Joy Cauldwell; father-in-law, Donald Stafford; sisters, Beth Moore (David) and Laura Keirn (Steve); brother, David Cauldwell (Connie); sisters-in-law, Shirley Aldrich, Cheryl Renfrow (Ken Donahue), Donna Thompson (Charles), and Denise Stafford; brothers-in-law, Mike Renfrow, Robbie Rutherford (Kelly), and Patrick Stafford (Kara); and his fur babies Buddy and Bella. Tim cherished his relationships with his many nieces and nephews, Amanda Scott (Matt), Mellisa Babb (Jason), Michelle Tibbetts (Shawn), Amber Marshall (Clayton), Brandi Castaneda (Daniel), Megan Thompson, Jessica Kitta (Michael), Ashley Pope (Josh), Sydney Mellides (CJ), Rebecca Stevenson, Daniel Moore (Tiffany), Christopher Hopkins (Rachel), Nicholas Hopkins (Mekennaih), Aaron Hopkins, Derek Hopkins (Victoria), Zachary Rutherford (Victoria), and Maxwell Stevenson. Fortunate to come from a large family, Tim shares many fond memories with numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, and grand nieces and nephews.

Tim was blessed to have an amazing group of friends and co-workers through all phases of his life whom he treasured as family. While there are too many to name, the family wishes to thank you all for your support and love over the

years. Life would not be the same without you.

A memorial service to celebrate Tim's life will take place Saturday, June 29, 2024 at 2pm at Green Lakes Baptist Church, 1610 Hodges Ferry Rd. Portsmouth, Virginia with Pastor Mark Carmen officiating.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Tim's name to the American Diabetes Association or Alzheimer's Association.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

JUN **29**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Green Lakes Baptist Church  
1610 Hodges Ferry Road  
Portsmouth, VA

# Tribute Wall



“ *The Stevenson Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Timothy Cauldwell.* ”



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**The Stevenson Family** - June 24, 2024 at 02:59 PM



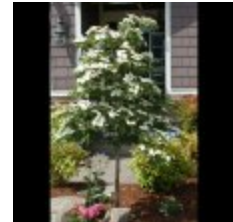
“ *Rene S Cauldwell planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Timothy Cauldwell.* ”

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**Rene S Cauldwell** - June 12, 2024 at 01:21 AM



“ *Chinese Dogwood Tree was purchased for the family of Timothy Cauldwell.* ”

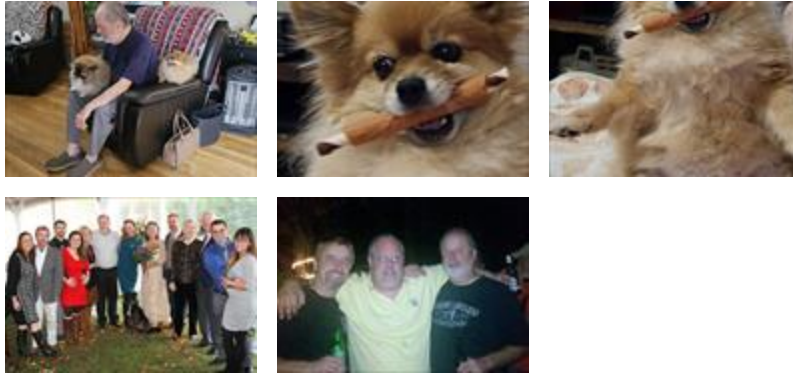


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June 12, 2024 at 01:21 AM

RC

“ 85 files added to the album *Tim Cauldwell*



Rene Cauldwell - June 12, 2024 at 12:59 AM

LM

“ *Tim will be missed so much. We are sending our love and prayers. We always enjoyed our visits with "The Virginia Bunch"*  
Love,  
*The Jean Burkhart Family (Lynette, Leslie and Jennifer)*

Leslie Madden - June 08, 2024 at 10:51 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Timothy Cauldwell.*



June 08, 2024 at 10:41 PM

DB

“ *Debbie, Gary, Erica, & Kelsey Brown planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Timothy Cauldwell.*

Debbie, Gary, Erica, & Kelsey Brown - June 07, 2024 at 01:28 AM

DB

“Debbie, Gary, Erica, & Kelsey Brown purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Timothy Cauldwell.



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**Debbie, Gary, Erica, & Kelsey Brown** - June 07, 2024 at 01:28 AM

MC

“While growing up in the Ozarks of Southern Missouri, we were always incredibly excited when the “Virginia Cauldwells” made the long drive to visit us. We would patiently wait looking at the dirt road hill they had to top when they arrived. I’ll always remember once when they arrived we all got some wagons to race down that same dirt road hill. Unfortunately, Tim got a little forward on his wagon, fell face first out of his wagon, and knocked his two front teeth out. All within 10 minutes of arriving. We’ll miss Tim dearly but we know we’ll be seeing him again in Heaven with his glorified body including two front teeth.

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**Mike Cauldwell** - June 06, 2024 at 12:31 PM

BM

*Thank you, Mike. We have wonderful memories of the Cauldwell cousins at Grandma and Grandpa’s house every summer. We will miss my dear brother, Tim, so much, but will cherish memories like these until we meet again in Heaven.*

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**Beth Moore** - June 06, 2024 at 10:39 PM

LM

*Dear Rene and Family. I am so sorry for your loss. May God’s love and grace surround all of you. His memories and love will forever be in your hearts. He surely loved his family and the many friends he had. We will all see Tim again. Sending prayers and love to the whole family. Love you Laurel Miles and Suzanne Loving*

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**Laurel Cooke Miles** - June 19, 2024 at 10:29 AM

KB

“ I will always remember my cousin for his sense of humor and funny sarcasm. I used to call him “butthead” and he’d laugh and say “somebody’s has to do it!” When we were kids, he pulled so many pranks on us girl cousins and his sisters and then he’d call us “dingy!” He lived his life authentically as himself and didn’t worry about what others thought of him. Little did he know that he was loved and admired, especially by those kids he faithfully coached in little league. He will be missed, especially by his wife and kids and grandkids, whom he was so proud of and loved so much. I know he will always be with them. God bless and keep you all. I love you.  
Love, Karen

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**Karen Butler-Coup** - June 06, 2024 at 09:32 AM

SM

“ I've so many memories of my cousin, Timmy. From playing army, freeze tag and Easter egg in the back yard, goofing off as teenagers, listening to music, watching Redskins games, going on the paper routes, family birthdays, holidays, the sports fields, the ODU basketball games, the motorcycle rides. Always his funny antics and stories. What a good man he was. And oh how he and Renee loved each other! A true love story! And his son and daughter were his pride and joy! Then later, his precious grandkids and SIL and DIL. He was good to his parents, his wife, his siblings, his children and grandchildren. To everyone! Till we meet again, Timmy, on those streets of gold. Love you forever!



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**Sharon Martin** - June 06, 2024 at 08:18 AM

ML

*I was in Portsmouth for a visit one of several as an adult. Someone had the bright idea to go canoeing, so Timmy, David Cauldwell, David Moore and myself took off on this short journey. Timmy being Timmy decided we should all get wet so the boat got rocked and 4 adults ended up in the drink. Now imagine these 4 adults trying to get back into the canoe....it wasn't happening. Someone yelled eel! I wish we had it on film, but 4 grown men somehow got back in that canoe at the same time. I will never forget that time in my life. I will see my cousin in heaven one day so walk slow buddy.*

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**Mark Luffman** - June 09, 2024 at 09:10 AM

BM

*Dear Mark, Thank you for sharing this memory. Timmy was always so much fun. Memories from our visits to Tennessee and your family's visits to Virginia hold a special place in our hearts. Love you, cousin.  
Love Beth*

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**Beth Moore** - June 12, 2024 at 04:22 PM

DI

“ All I wanted to do was get Tim alone and ask for his blessing to marry his daughter, Jenn. I asked him to dinner... he called Jenn and asked what time dinner was. I invited him to a Tides game... he called Jenn to get a reminder on what Tides game we were all going to. Finally, I took he, Rene and Jenn to see, Jersey Boys, the touring Broadway show of all things.... The girls went to do whatever ladies do, and I asked for his blessing and it went just like this -

Me: “Tim do I have your blessing to marry Jenn? I promise to take care of her”

Tim: “Why are you asking me?”

Me: “You’re her dad. You’re the guy I go to on this particular request”

Tim: “You don’t need to ask me you’re a grown man.”

Me: “Thanks but I still need to ask”

- - - about a 45 second pause with nothing said - - -

Me: “Tim do you even like me man? I’m getting nothing from you here.”

Tim: (laughing gregariously as he did). “I’m just messing with you man. I’ve never seen you sweat. Rene and I love you... Go marry our daughter!!”

Rest easy my friend. You take care of things there. I’ll take care of things here and we will meet again one day. Cheers! - Dirk

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Dirk - June 06, 2024 at 04:51 AM

SM

*That is such a sweet memory Dirk, and sounds just like Tim!*

**Sharon Martin** - June 06, 2024 at 08:07 AM

WC

*Tim was a good man and friend to all of us. He will be greatly missed.*

**Wayne Cooke** - June 06, 2024 at 10:52 AM

RC

*Dirk, Timmy never told me that you had asked him to marry Jenn. I didn't find out until a bunch of us went to the movies one night and someone said "Oh, I heard Dirk asked Tim if he could ask Jenn to marry him" Needles to say it had been a couple of months before I found out and was not happy with Timmy for quite a while. Timmy could keep a secret better than anyone I've ever known 🤔*

**Rene Cauldwell** - June 11, 2024 at 11:45 PM

DI

“ 5 files added to the album *Tim with Family and Friends*



**Dirk** - June 06, 2024 at 04:41 AM

JG

“ 1 file added to the album *Tim Cauldwell*



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**Jennifer Garrott** - June 05, 2024 at 05:37 PM