



## Mr. James Eric Shell

December 22, 1974 - August 19, 2020

James Eric Shell, 45, of Columbia, passed away Wednesday, August 19, 2020 following a brief illness. Born December 22, 1974 in Orange Park, Florida, he was the son of Amy Eargle Shell and the late James Thomas Shell.

Eric moved with his family from Florida to Lexington as a young child. While growing up in Lexington, he and his brother were active in Boy Scouts of America. He shared this passion with his father, who was his troop leader, and followed in his father's footsteps ultimately earning the highest rank of Eagle Scout. In his youth, he attended St. Stephen's Lutheran Church. Eric was a 1992 graduate of Lexington High School. As a student, he fell in love with sports and athletic training. This enabled him to earn a scholarship to Clemson University where he was an athletic trainer for the football team. While there, Eric was member of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity. He remained a diehard Tiger fan, becoming an IPTAY member upon his graduation in 1997. He deeply enjoyed attending three football National Championships and traveling around the country supporting his alma mater. Eric shared his enthusiasm of Tiger sports with his children and family, involving them in all his adventures.

Eric lived his life with zest, making great memories with everyone he met along his journey. All his family and friends especially enjoyed hearing his stories and tall tales. Most importantly, Eric was a dedicated husband, father, son, brother, uncle, and friend. He met his wife, Amanda, on New Year's Eve in 2002 and was blessed by a 13-year marriage full of love. During their 17 years together, they enjoyed attending Dave Matthews Band concerts, supporting his Tigers and her Gamecocks, and their famous impromptu dance parties in the living room. He completely adored his family, always taking the opportunity to spend quality time with his loved ones. Eric never missed a school function or important event in his children's lives. Being a hands-on parent, coaching his daughter and son in soccer, as well as his son's t-ball team just seemed only natural to him. Eric loved his family vacations to Litchfield Beach and had become quite fond of the family fishing trips to the river.

A dedicated Christian, Eric loved the Lord and was an active member of Trenholm Road United Methodist Church, where he served on the preschool board for the last seven years. He was employed by Wellcare/Centene as a Senior Special Unit Investigator. Eric was a talented artist, an avid reader and enjoyed spending time in his yard, playing golf, as well as swimming in the pool with his children.

Surviving in addition to his mother of Lexington are his wife, Amanda Leach Shell; children, Ansley Elaine Shell and Landon James Shell; brother, Anthony Thomas "Tony" Shell (Wendy) of Little Mountain; father-in-law, Daniel Leach of Cayce; mother-in-law, Mary Leach of Columbia; sister-in-law, Sherry Ray (David) of Columbia; nephews, Tyler Shell and Tanner Shell; niece, Ashlynn Ray; uncles, Robert C. Shell of Charlotte, NC and Robert C. Eargle (Gail) of Raleigh, NC; as well as cousins.

The celebration of life for Eric will be held privately at Trenholm Road United Methodist Church with Reverend Joel Jones officiating. Shives Funeral Home, Trenholm Road Chapel, is assisting the family. A livestream will be available at 2 o'clock Monday, August 24th by visiting <https://www.shivesfuneralhome.com/current-webcast/>.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, SC Chapter, 4151 Spruill Avenue, Suite 250, North Charleston, SC 29405, Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, Georgia-South Carolina Region, 4141 Columbia Rd Ste D, Martinez, GA 30907 or to Trenholm Road United Methodist Church, 3401 Trenholm Rd, Columbia, SC 29204.

# Comments

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“ A webcast video has been added.



**Shives Funeral Home** - August 23, 2020 at 04:36 PM

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“ Jovon Kennedy lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Eric Shell



**Jovon Kennedy** - September 06, 2020 at 04:57 PM

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“ Amanda,  
May God surround you with love and strength. I love you girl.  
Stacy Allendorf

**stacy** - August 29, 2020 at 10:30 PM

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“ You will be missed by all. You brought light and cheer into all of our meetings. A great teammate and man. Prayers and condolences to Amanda and family.  
Lisa Hanshaw

**Lisa HANSHEW** - August 27, 2020 at 08:25 AM

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“ Amanda and Family - I was privileged to have an opportunity to work with Eric here at WellCare. I will miss our Monday morning (weekend wrap-up) football conversations. The fantasy football conversations were always spirited as well. Eric was simply an amazing guy. Eric loved his family and his Tigers!! May God wrap your family in his arms and provide you with comfort and peace. Many thoughts and prayers coming your way.

Larry Ruble - August 24, 2020 at 04:13 PM

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“ I met Eric seven years ago while working at QSSI. We quickly became good friends, bonding over our beloved Tigers. From the annual Clemson Prowl & Growls to kick off the football season, to the Columbia Clemson Club meetings, and of course tailgating with him up in Tiger Town. I will forever cherish those memories I have of him. He was a great guy and even better man. Rest in peace my friend.



Chris Drawdy - August 24, 2020 at 03:01 PM

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“ Amanda,  
I am so sorry for you, Ansley and Landon. My heart sank when I heard that Eric had passed. I know that you and the kids mattered more to him than anything else. He was such a warm and caring person. I've missed having y'all as neighbors. If there is anything we can do please don't hesitate to ask.  
Brock Conrad

Brock Conrad - August 24, 2020 at 03:00 PM

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“ Dear Shell family, I was fortunate to come to know Eric through my work in the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit of the SC Attorney General's Office. Eric was always willing to assist in any way he could and did an outstanding job as an investigator. He was a pleasure to work with and made a lasting impression with our unit. We will miss him. The main thing that I will always remember about Eric is what a kind person he was. My heart grieves for you in your loss. Thank our Lord and Savior that we do not sorrow as those with no hope and will see Eric again. You will remain in my prayers.

Renee Strickland

Renee Strickland - August 24, 2020 at 02:55 PM

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“ My condolences to Eric's family. I enjoyed working with Eric over the last few years. my best memories of working with Eric is getting those random skype messages when pharmacy issues were wracking his brain. Eric was an amazing person and even through the phone or a message you could feel his infectious smile and positivity. Eric will truly be missed and prayers to the family during this time.



Leslie Edwards - August 24, 2020 at 02:50 PM

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“ Words cannot express the sadness we feel and we are continuously praying for your strength during such a difficult time. May his memory be eternal! Love, Tasia & Kevin



Anastasia Crocker - August 24, 2020 at 02:38 PM

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“ May the perpetual light of God shine upon you, Eric. To the family and friends of Eric Shell, I worked with Eric for years and had the great opportunity to meet with him twice. He was so welcoming to our WellCare Houston Team. He took the time to introduce himself and calm our jitters about working for a new company. Like others of our team, Eric had a perpetual smile and cared about our well being just as long as we did not call out Clemson Tigers when I would brag on the LSU Tigers. Eric was an outstanding co-worker and always offered input and guidance when I would ask for his help. My only regret was not getting to know him better. My prayers and condolences to his wife and children. I lost my father to a massive heart attack at the tender age of 18, I gave my father CPR but I did not succeed in my efforts. However, the comforting thing is I was with him at the time his death... I realized he lives in me and has been present in my life ever since. May the love of Christ remain with you and now you have an angel father to protect and look over each of you.

Michael Espree

Michael Espree - August 24, 2020 at 02:38 PM

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“ Thank you for sharing your sweet Eric with so many of us over the years. Your family will be in my thoughts and prayers.

Nichols Fletcher - August 24, 2020 at 02:33 PM

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“ Amanda and Family, I'm blessed to have known Eric starting back in 2003 at TriCenturion and then years later recruiting him to work for WellCare. He was a tremendous co-worker and even better friend. He could spin a story much like my dad. He was so much fun to be around and his laugh was large and infectious.

Amanda his love for you, Ansley and Landon is truly a special love. He would so often share stories of the kids, the trip to Disney, or even their school plays. He reveled in those moments. He also reveled in his Clemson Tigers and watching their success. He would flaunt it playfully knowing I was a pitiful Gamecock fan.

He had huge smile, a big heart and that laugh that could liven a room. Cherish the wonderful memories and hold on to his love of family. I pray for comfort and strength through these difficult times. Many prayers and much love-

Chris Horan

Chris Horan - August 24, 2020 at 02:11 PM

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“ I had the honor of working with Eric for many years and he will truly be missed. Amanda my condolences to you and the entire family. I know from speaking to Eric how much he truly loved his family and you all were his number one priority. May God wrap his arms around you and provide comfort during this most difficult time.

Jacquelyn Autie

Jacquelyn Autie - August 24, 2020 at 02:09 PM

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“ Amanda, I was so sorry to hear about Eric. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. I first met Eric back in the day at TriCenturion and remember all of the laughs we had back then and stories! I can hear him laughing while I type this. We all went out separate ways and when I started at HealthyBlue, I was happy to see Eric sitting at the table at our state meetings. He was such a great person and joy to know and will be missed. Rest In Peace.



Debbie Teeter - August 24, 2020 at 02:02 PM

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“ Dear Shell Family, I am a colleague of Eric and wanted to share with you that he was such a pleasure to work with. The epitome of professionalism and kindness. He enjoyed his job and it showed. He spoke so lovingly about you all. My deepest condolences. Prayers for all. Love, Kerrie Copeland

Kerrie Copeland - August 24, 2020 at 02:00 PM

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“ RIP in Eternal Peace Eric. My condolences to you and your wonderful family. Wishing your family hope in the midst of sorrow, comfort in the midst of pain.

Penni Conley



**Penni Conley** - August 24, 2020 at 01:54 PM

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“ I had the honor and privilege to know Eric through work for the last 4 years. We would have numerous conversations about SC State Mandated stuff and in between all those conversations, he would often talk about his family and of course Clemson Tigers. Eric was a multi-talented guy but the best thing about him was his passion for doing things - be it work, spending time with family, helping others, he always gave his 125% in each and every situation. I had many conversations with him but the one I remember in particular was an instance when I had the opportunity to meet him in-person at an Annual Training held in Florida in 2018 - at that time my daughter was 1 and he told me when his daughter was about 2 - 3 years, she accidentally locked herself in the car and he had to visually explain her from outside how to unlock it. He told me to let my kids know how to handle it in advance if a similar situation occurs. Amanda and the kids - you all are in my thoughts and prayers. May god give you the much needed strength to overcome his loss.

Miss you brother!!

Mohit Trehan

**Mohit Trehan** - August 24, 2020 at 12:45 PM

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“ Eric was a person everyone loved. We worked together at QSSI. He always had fun stories to tell and enjoyed hearing about how his little ones were doing. He will really will be missed by everyone!

Mitzi

**Mitzi Tokunaga-Clack** - August 24, 2020 at 12:39 PM

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“ His WellCare teammates; Julie, Leslie and Sandra purchased the Thoughts & Prayers for the family of Mr. James Eric Shell.



His WellCare teammates; Julie, Leslie and Sandra - August 24, 2020 at 12:14 PM

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“ Amanda and Family- I had the privilege and good fortune to work with Eric at WellCare since late 2017. I will remember him as a friendly, outgoing, kind and considerate individual. Eric and I enjoyed talking football and since I am a Syracuse graduate we always looked forward to the annual Clemson/Syracuse match up. The weeks leading up to that game were filled with all sorts of trash talk. I will miss him very much. I wish you all strength, comfort and peace.- Bill Yurkowski

Bill Yurkowski - August 24, 2020 at 12:10 PM

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“ Starbucks Coffee Condolences was purchased for the family of Mr. James Eric Shell.



August 24, 2020 at 11:38 AM

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“ Sending my love and prayers for continued strength to the Shell family.



Evan AFox - August 24, 2020 at 11:28 AM

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“ I am so sorry for your loss. Eric was an amazing person and he will be incredibly missed around the office. I am sending lots of hugs and prayers to you and your family.

Remembering:  
The beauty of a memory  
Is that it's always there.  
Like a penny in your pocket,  
You can take it anywhere.

And when your heart is heavy  
And your eyes are filled with tears,  
You can focus on a memory,  
And travel through the years.

Your heart can visit happy times  
When laughter filled the air,  
And the presence of your loved one,  
Will lessen your despair.

So as you travel on in life  
Take comfort as you go,  
In a lifetime of "sweet memories,"  
Of one who loved you so!

I saw this and thought of you. I know you have lots of "sweet memories" of Eric, as everyone that he knew him surely does too!

**Kim** - August 24, 2020 at 11:16 AM

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“ I had the privilege of working with Eric over the last four years. First as a colleague and you just don't get any better than Eric Shell. Second as his manager, and again, could not have asked for a better partner for the work we do. I enjoyed my meetings with Eric and getting to know him personally. In speaking with Eric it was abundantly clear of his love for Amanda, Ansley, Landon and of course Clemson Football. Everything Eric did was with passion and a commitment to excellence. Eric's sense of humor brought laughter to our meetings and is already missed. Amanda, there is no doubt about how much Eric loved you. He said what first drew him to you was your love for your family and I know that the life you built together mirrored that love. I wish you all peace and comfort during this time.

**Jennifer Jarke** - August 24, 2020 at 11:11 AM

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“ Ontaneque Ottrix purchased the Sympathy Chocolates for the family of Mr. James Eric Shell.



**Ontaneque Ottrix** - August 24, 2020 at 10:41 AM

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“ I was so saddened to hear about Eric's passing. Please know that you're in my thoughts and prayers. Eric sat on the other side of me in the office and would always turn on the lights when he entered. That's was he was a light, a light that will never be forgotten. We will miss you from the POC team.



**krystal** - August 24, 2020 at 10:38 AM

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“ Amanda, I am so sorry for your loss. I was shocked and saddened to hear of Eric's passing. I got to know Eric working with him at WellCare Health Plan. He was an awesome guy, and dedicated to the work he did. My heart is broken for you Amanda, and your children. We spent many days talking about our kids, and our love for CLEMSON football. I am going to miss our Friday's before game day chats as we discuss going back to watch our team win another national title. Amanda you and your family are in my prayers.



**Christina Rankin** - August 24, 2020 at 10:17 AM

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“ Eric will be greatly missed, he truly was one of a kind! As a coworker Eric consistently displayed the highest integrity and professionalism and was very sincere in everything he did. A donation has been made in memory of his passion for working with the children at Trenholm Road United Methodist Church. My thoughts and prayers will be with the Shell Family.

Kindly,  
Janet Kimbrough

**Janet Kimbrough** - August 24, 2020 at 10:14 AM

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“ Ontaneque Ottrix lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Eric Shell



**Ontaneque Ottrix** - August 24, 2020 at 10:10 AM

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“ To the Shell Family, our hearts are broken, sadden and grieving with yours in the loss of Eric. Our prayers is that the Lord covers you with His inexplicable love and comfort. Eric will be greatly missed. Keeping you in our thoughts and prayers in this difficult time. Kathy H.-WellCare of SC

**Kathy H.** - August 24, 2020 at 09:49 AM

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“ Arthesia Tyler lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Eric Shell



**Arthesia Tyler** - August 24, 2020 at 09:36 AM

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“ My deepest condolences to the family. Eric and I worked together and he was a very genuine and dedicated co-worker. He always wanted to help people and reached out to find ways to do that. May God's light shine on his path and God's love and comfort be with all who knew and cared for him.



**Mia Minto** - August 24, 2020 at 09:33 AM

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“ I was fortunate enough to be Eric's work neighbor for the last two years. We spent a lot of time talking about hunting and college football. Eric was a great guy and we will miss him dearly. Shell family, you are in my prayers.

Will Camp

**Will Camp** - August 24, 2020 at 09:26 AM

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“ Eric quickly became a friend as well as a mentor to me at Wellcare. Prayers for Eric's family and friends.

**Susan Rainey Biler** - August 24, 2020 at 09:26 AM

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“ Elonda Macklin lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Eric Shell



**Elonda Macklin** - August 24, 2020 at 09:20 AM

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“ Tawana lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Eric Shell



**Tawana** - August 24, 2020 at 09:19 AM

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“ Camille Gray lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Eric Shell



**Camille Gray** - August 24, 2020 at 09:08 AM

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“ Amanda, you and your family are in my prayers. I worked with Eric for 2 years and he was by far one of the most, if not the most, revered of his peers. I share the feelings of many others when I say his loss has devastated us all. I know he loved his family dearly. He was a great friend, passionate investigator and a great family man. My heart is broken for you and your children but know that we are all praying for you and your family. God bless you and I am so sorry for your loss.



**Marc McCarson** - August 24, 2020 at 09:04 AM

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“ I am deeply saddened by the loss of Eric, I recall many late afternoons around the water cooler talking about college football. He will be missed dearly.

Urcel Fields

Urcel - August 24, 2020 at 09:03 AM

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“ Ann White lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Eric Shell



Ann White - August 24, 2020 at 08:42 AM

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“ The Select Health Family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Mr. James Eric Shell.



The Select Health Family - August 24, 2020 at 06:54 AM

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“ Amanda and family, I work for SC Medicaid and had the honor of knowing Eric. From day one, I had the upmost respect for Eric. Not only did he have perfect manners, but he had such a passion for fighting fraud, doing the right thing, asking the tough questions, striving for perfection and raising the bar for others to follow. He was such a story teller; most centering around his family, vacations and growing up in Lexington. Eric made my job easy and fun. I cannot express how heartbroken I am, nor how much I am going to miss Eric. I have continually prayed for you and the children and I cannot imagine the pain you are going thru. My heart breaks and I am so, so sorry for your loss.

Betsy Corley - August 24, 2020 at 01:07 AM



“ I was fortunate to have had Eric as my colleague two times in my career, first when Eric had just graduated from Clemson and the other after he and Amanda had married. I was also blessed to see Eric and his family each Sunday at Trenholm Road.

Through the years I knew this about Eric - he loved his years growing up in Lexington, his years at Clemson University, his Tigers but most of all he loved his friends, his family and his church.

Eric's smile, laugh and genuine affection for others is something I will remember always. Eric certainly made the world a better place.

My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

**Laurin Boggero** - August 23, 2020 at 11:29 PM

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“ Amy, I remember two cute little boys that would steal your heart. And now there is one. On behalf of the staff that worked with Tom at Central Production Credit Association, we extend our heart felt sympathy to you and Tony and especially Eric's family. And now the circle is just a little bit smaller..... May God bless and keep you in the cleft of the rock during the coming days..... Personal regards, Rogers & Barbara Reynolds, Sumter SC

**Rogers & Barbara Reynolds** - August 23, 2020 at 09:14 PM

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“ Medicaid Fraud Control Unit - SC Attorney General purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Mr. James Eric Shell.

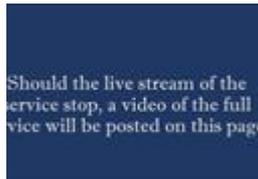


**Medicaid Fraud Control Unit - SC Attorney General** - August 23, 2020 at 06:10 PM

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Shives Funeral Home - August 23, 2020 at 04:37 PM

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“ My prayers and love to Amanda and the children, Amy and Tony in this heartbreaking loss. Eric was such a nice young man and I know will be greatly missed. May you be comforted by the outpouring of love surrounding you and may the Lord bless you and keep you, make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you, and may He lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace. Love, Louise Amick

Louise Amick - August 23, 2020 at 04:28 PM

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“ Jennie and I are so shocked and heartbroken to hear of Eric's passing. We have Amanda and your children in our thoughts during this difficult time. Please let us know if there is anything we can do. Rest In Peace dear friend.

Keith Ryals - August 23, 2020 at 02:04 PM

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“ My family knew Eric and his beautiful family from the week we would spend together each June at nearby houses at Litchfield Beach. It was a week we looked forward to, more so every year because we knew the Shell family would be there to share it with us. We will cherish the memories made with Eric always and hope to see Amanda and the children again soon. This is a picture we took of our children the day before we left the beach this year, laughing with Eric and Amanda, as we gazed at the beautiful sunset God provided as the backdrop. Rest in peace Eric and may God hold you in the palm of his hand always.



Todd & Erin Elfert - August 23, 2020 at 11:43 AM

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“ I had the honor of working with Eric for the past 5 years at WellCare and Centene. His loss has devastated us all. We pray for Amanda and the children during these very difficult times. I will always remember Eric’s smile, his kindness, and his willingness to always assist his friends. He was a great friend! He was also a great family man. He often shared his adventures with the kids. My favorites were the fishing trips at the lake and the great pictures he shared. Rest In Peace my friend, I will never forget you!

**Matthew Calcutti** - August 23, 2020 at 10:22 AM

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“ Was shocked and saddened to hear of Eric's passing. I got to know Eric working with him at QSSI and will always remember him as a truly genuine straight up individual with a lot to offer the world.

**Dave Fuller** - August 23, 2020 at 10:11 AM

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“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. James Eric Shell.



August 22, 2020 at 04:38 PM

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“ Amanda, Ansley and Landon, there are no words to express the sorrow that I am feeling for you all. It is unimaginable to think of the pain and loss you must be experiencing. Sadly, I know all too well how quickly our lives can change through such a sudden loss and so many unanswered questions. Stand strong on your shared memories and the love that you have for each other. We are not capable of discerning God's plan, so we must depend on our faith to get us through these really difficult times. I will hold you in my thoughts and prayers. I'm sending hugs your way.  
Pati

**Pati Derrick** - August 22, 2020 at 03:38 PM



“ So saddened about the news of Eric's passing. My heart and prayers go out to his family during this difficult time. I knew Eric in high school and college and remember how full of life he was and that smile and laugh he had! We have all been blessed to have known Eric and he will be missed. I will be praying for comfort and strength do all of you.

**Christina Patterson Atkinson** - August 23, 2020 at 02:33 PM



“ Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. James Eric Shell.



August 22, 2020 at 03:33 PM



“ So saddened to hear of Eric's passing. I have many fond memories from our "days" in Clemson. He was a great and loyal friend and always fun to be around. As he leaves this earth, I am sure he is one of only a small number, if any, athletic trainers who were able to sneak on "the bus" and run down the hill! I never forget the smile had after he did it. He will be missed by all that loved him. My thoughts and prayers go out to your family.

**Todd Centurino** - August 22, 2020 at 01:54 PM



“ Our hearts break for you, Amanda, and for your precious children! You are in our thoughts and prayers as you try to live through and beyond this terrible time.

**Erin Fisher** - August 22, 2020 at 01:18 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. James Eric Shell.



August 22, 2020 at 01:05 PM

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“ Eric and I began our careers together at TriCenturion. We worked for many years side by side and during that time became good friends. Work was never dull with Eric around. With his humor and gift of storytelling, I'm surprised we accomplished anything. We experienced a lot of major life events during those years; engagements, weddings, and babies to name a few. I remember the day he brought Amanda's engagement ring into the office to show the team before proposing. He was so proud and excited. And then again when his daughter was born-what a proud father. Eric was a friendly, caring, hardworking, determined, and joyous person. I am lucky to have known him. Wishing condolences from my family to yours.

**Sandra Gauron** - August 22, 2020 at 10:50 AM

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“ I worked with Eric at Tricenturion he was such a nice guy and would keep you laughing. I hadnt seen him since he left Tricenturion . I enjoyed his love for his Clemson Tigers. My thoughts and prayers go out to all his family and friends. He will be greatly missed. Sherry Sloan Sprouse



**Sherry Sloan Sprouse** - August 22, 2020 at 09:57 AM

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“ Sorry to hear about Eric. Lifting your family up with our prayers.

**Rhett Clark** - August 22, 2020 at 08:56 AM

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“ I met Eric when we moved 3 houses up the street in 1987. So many wonderful memories of playing outside and spending happy times with the neighborhood crew. Prayers for all the family and all of us friends who love him.

**Andrea Jeffcoat** - August 22, 2020 at 12:14 AM

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“ During much happier times with a great and gone too soon Tiger Brother. You will be sorely missed by All (In) of your Family. Prayers and well wishes for Amanda and the children



**Michael Rogers** - August 21, 2020 at 10:57 PM

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“ Red Poinsettia (Silk Cemetery Flowers) was purchased for the family of Mr. James Eric Shell.



August 21, 2020 at 10:46 PM

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“ I worked with Eric many years ago at TriC. Although I had not spoken to him in years, Eric was the kind of person that no one could forget. He was a kindhearted soul who always made us laugh at work with stories that only he could tell. He had a unique ability to find humor in everyday life and his presence would always light up a room. I am grateful to have known him. My deepest condolences to his family

**Wendy Valentine** - August 21, 2020 at 10:10 PM

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“ So sorry to hear about Eric's passing. I will always remember all the great times we had together at Clemson and national championship games including this past January in New Orleans. He will be missed and the games will never be the same without him.



**Shawn Leonardi** - August 21, 2020 at 10:03 PM

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“ Amanda and children, and Amy,

Freddy and I were so shocked to learn of Eric's passing. We wish to pass along our deepest sympathy and love to each of you. We always enjoyed the family gatherings we had with them at Tony and Wendy's home.

Freddy and Sylvia Woodard

**Sylvia Woodard** - August 21, 2020 at 09:08 PM

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“ Damone and I were so saddened to hear of this. We both have fond memories of Eric from his days as a Lexington High School student trainer. He was an outstanding member of the staff, and he has highly regarded and loved by Damone. You will all be in our thoughts and prayers.

**Janis Leaphart** - August 21, 2020 at 06:28 PM

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“ I worked with Eric many years at TriC, and we saw each other regularly for the past 3 hrs due to our profession. He was the best guy, smart, friendly, and a hilarious. My heart aches terribly, but I'm so blessed to have known him. Amanda, my prayers are with you and the kids, and his remaining family.

**Kim Miller** - August 21, 2020 at 06:27 PM



“ Have not seen Eric and his family for a number of years. He grew up with my son Kevin and it was always to see his friendly and warm smile. I am sure he has left behind a great heritage of family and friends and will be sorely missed by many in the community.

My prayers and thoughts will remain wit the family and friends during this difficult time.  
Sonny sanders

**Sonny Sanders** - August 21, 2020 at 08:36 PM



“ My heart is saddened to learn of the passing of Eric. My daughter Paige, Eric ,Dustin and Dew were best friends in high school My prayers and thoughts are with all of you. Amy special prayers for you I know losing a child has to be the worst thing. God will see you through this

**Eva Sue Barnes** - August 21, 2020 at 08:48 PM



“ Our hearts are breaking for Amanda (my cousin), Ansley, Landon, and the family. I pray everyone in this precious family will be surrounded by love and can find peace. Eric was an amazing husband & dad. Much love to all.

**Ann & Richard White** - August 22, 2020 at 12:11 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. James Eric Shell.



August 21, 2020 at 05:41 PM



“ I worked with Eric for several years at TriC and loved Eric's enthusiasm, his positive work ethic, his willingness to share his knowledge with others, his love of his family, his infectious laugh, his Clemson team, and what a great friend he became to me. I saw him at a conference in recent years and it was as if we had just seen each other as we shared great memories and laughs. Eric's family is in my prayers.

Bob Mays

**Bob Mays** - August 21, 2020 at 02:37 PM