

Larry Edward Mims, 58, of West Columbia, S.C., died Friday, March 30, 2007.

He was born in Ft. Jackson, S.C., to the late Roy Edward Mims and Rachel Charlene Guess Mims Jones. He worked in the mining industry for 40 years. He managed operations at the Rabun Gap quarry in 1997 and worked there until his retirement from Vulcan Materials in 2004. He was a member of Forest Drive Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Heidi Michelle Mims.

Survivors include: his wife, Mary Lee Mims of West Columbia; three sons and a daughter-in-law, Stephen E. Mims, Alexander W. and Lisa Mims and Robert L. Mims, all of Summerville, S.C.; a daughter, Kristie Tompkins of Westminster, S.C.; five grandchildren, Courtney, Shawn and Danielle Mims and Amber and Justin Phillips; two sisters and brothers-in-law, Elizabeth "Libby" and Greg Ballington of West Columbia and Diane and Alex Theriot of Columbia; two brothers, Robert "Bubba" O'Neil Jones of West Columbia and Edward Mims of Columbia; and two nephews.

Memorial services were held Tuesday at Thompson Funeral Home in Lexington, S.C., with officiating by the Rev. Brian G. Thomas.

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