



## Gregory Alan Townsend

September 10, 1965 - November 17, 2023

Gregory Alan Townsend, age 58, of St. Albans, WV, passed away on Friday, November 17, 2023, with family by his side.

Born, September 10, 1965, in Charleston, WV, he was the son of Keith Alan Townsend and Claudia Ann Payne Townsend.

Greg was a graduate of St. Albans High School Class of 1984. He was a much-loved son, father, grandfather, brother, brother-in-law, uncle, nephew, and friend. He had many interests, but weather and sports were his passions. If he wasn't watching the Weather Channel, he was watching a sports channel. His family always said he missed his calling and should have become a meteorologist, but he enjoyed acting like one through his weather group on facebook. He never failed to post the local weather or beautiful pictures of God's creation. He loved all the seasons but especially enjoyed seeing snow and going to the beach, specifically, Myrtle Beach.

He was an avid sports fan and especially loved the WVU Mountaineers, the Pittsburgh Steelers, and the Cincinnati Reds. He had lots of opinions on those teams and wasn't afraid to tell you. Nothing made him laugh more than getting people riled up on facebook with his sports posts! That was just Greg, he was passionate! And nothing brought him greater joy than being able to go to a WVU game in Morgantown. He lived for those times.

He loved the holidays with Christmas being his favorite and he never got tired of telling stories of his childhood in Sun Valley. He loved his "Sun Valley gang" and they were like family to him.

Greg was most proud of his family. He loved his boys and was so proud of all their accomplishments and loved being "Papa Greg" to his granddaughter. He adored his parents and never failed to thank them for all they did for him. He even loved his bratty little sister who enjoyed tattling on him when they were kids! He was a great uncle to his nephews and niece and always made them feel loved and special.

He will be missed beyond measure and always remembered with love.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by his sons, Daniel Johnston and Christopher Townsend, both of St. Albans; sister, Laurel Franklin (Dale) of Anderson, SC; granddaughter, Layla Johnston of St. Albans; nephews, Stephen Franklin of Easley, SC, and Jarrett Franklin (Haley) of Moncks Corner, SC; niece, Lily Looper (Justin) of Pelzer, SC; uncles, Steve Payne (Lynn) of Charleston, WV, and Doug Payne (Marcia) of Winston Salem, NC; and numerous beloved cousins.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Hall and Phyllis Townsend and Claude and Patricia Payne.

The family will receive friends on Friday, November 24, 2023, from 12:00 pm until 1:00 pm at Bartlett-Nichols Funeral Home in St. Albans. The memorial service will begin at 1:00 pm in the Chapel. Interment will be at Cunningham Memorial Park.

You may visit Greg's tribute page at [BartlettNichols.com](http://BartlettNichols.com) to share memories or

condolences with the family.

Bartlett-Nichols Funeral Home, family owned and located at 409 Sixth Avenue, St. Albans is honored to serve the Townsend family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **24**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Bartlett-Nichols Funeral Home  
409 Sixth Avenue  
Saint Albans, WV 25177  
(304) 727-4325

## Memorial Service

NOV **24**. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

EL

“ I’m so saddened by Greg’s passing. There is sooo many happy, funny memories to share... RIP Greg.... Claudia & Keith, I’m sure Jesus has a special crown for you two....thank God for you two🙏. I will miss Greg on FB...

Claudia & I worked together for many years and we all appreciated Greg letting us know what the weather was going to be...especially if it was going to be bad. I really don’t want to say Good bye to Greg  
❤️🙏😊

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**Elaine** - November 23, 2023 at 11:15 AM

SA

“ Greg was a terrific guy, I met him in high school and we later met up when our boys played baseball together. I know he was such a Mountaineer fan along with a beach lover. He was a really good friend and I will miss him dearly.

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**Samantha** - November 22, 2023 at 01:50 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Gregory Alan Townsend.



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November 22, 2023 at 10:17 AM

MK

“ I always loved Greg’s Facebook posts on sports and weather! We both had a live for the Steelers and always enjoyed reading what he thought! And his weather page was a breath of fresh air. Doug and I will both miss Greg.

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**Margie Keeling** - November 22, 2023 at 08:26 AM

GC

“ Greg was a tenant of mine for 8 years on Strawberry Road. I thought he would be there for retirement because he loved his apartment and St Albans. He was my monitor, weatherman, and landscaper. I guess Greg new he was leaving his home because of the illness. So, he planted a tree of life. So the other tenants and I would remember him. He blessed many people with his many passions. He will be missed but not forgotten. As Greg would say Let’s Go Mountaineers. Greg Chaney

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**Greg Chaney** - November 21, 2023 at 03:02 PM

SP

“ Greg was a great guy and like to have fun and was always great to talk with as he was quite intelligent. Met him through High School. He set next to me in band, playing his trombone. We had alot of good times, laughs and talks, especially these last few years. Will miss you buddy. I dedicate this picture as I know you are sitting on a beach somewhere. Rest easy friend. Scottie



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**Scott Phillips** - November 21, 2023 at 10:29 AM



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November 20, 2023 at 06:41 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss. Greg was a good guy and always fun to see on social media.*

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**scott mitchell** - November 20, 2023 at 06:31 PM



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November 20, 2023 at 06:29 PM