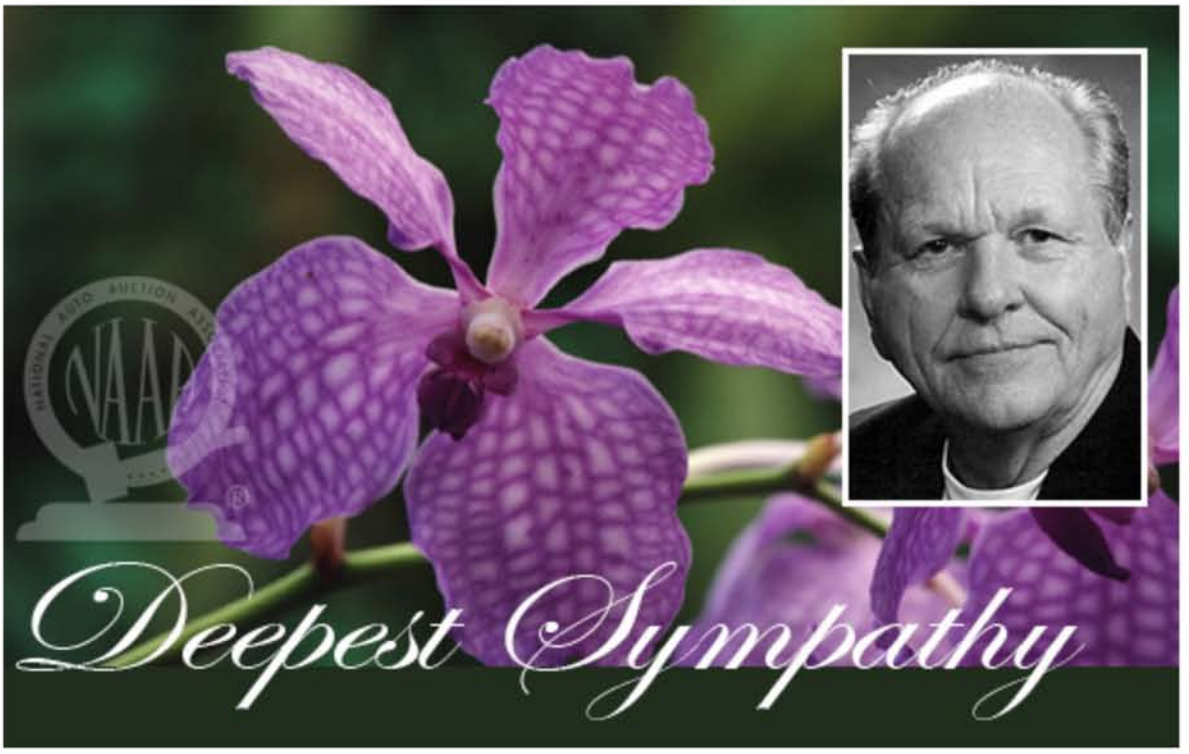

Gary "Cotton" Edwards

Gary "Cotton" Edwards, 61, of Florence, SC died Monday, May 25, 2009 at his residence. He was born in Davie County, April 28, 1948, son of Charley Mae Ratledge Edwards of Harmony and the late James Hugh Edwards. He was also preceded in death by brothers; James Edwards, Jr and Donald Edwards, sisters; Margaret Edwards Wiles and Betty Edwards Brown.

Cotton was General Manager of Manheim Darlington, and formerly was General Manager of Manheim Statesville. On November 9, 2002 he married Pamela Martin Edwards who survives of the home. Also surviving is his son Ryan Edwards (Stephanie) of Atlanta, GA, stepson Josh Connolly (Kendra) of Cary and step daughter Nichole Andersen (Chad) of Charlotte, grandchildren Tatum Edwards, Jaysen Andersen and Sydney Andersen. Brother and sisters surviving are Lester Edwards (Maxine) and Shirley Edwards both of Harmony and Sandra Dyson (Terry) of Mocksville.

Services celebrating his life are scheduled for Friday May 29, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. in the Ernest M. Troutman Memorial Chapel, with Rev. Bruce Hobson and Rev. David Cunha officiating. Burial will follow in New Union U.M. Church Cemetery.

The family will receive friends on Thursday evening from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., at Reavis Funeral Home, in Harmony. Condolences may be sent to the family online to www.mem.com. For those who prefer, memorials may be given to the Alpha One Foundation, 2397 S.W. 27th Avenue, Miami, FL 33133 or to New Union U. M. Church New Building Fund, c/o Terry Dyson, 595 Duke Whitaker Road, Mocksville, NC 27028. Reavis Funeral Home of Harmony is serving the family of Cotton Edwards.