



## Herman C Leonhardt

July 12, 1948 - August 1, 2011

Branchville,

Mr. Herman C. Leonhardt, 63 years of age, died Monday, August 1, 2011, at his residence.

Mr. Leonhardt was born in Maryland, a son of the late Edward H. Leonhardt, and Janie L. Leonhardt. He lived on the banks of the Edisto River where he found his inspiration for creating beautiful works of art with glass blowing.

A celebration of life will be held Sunday August 7, 2011, at 12:00 P.M. at his residence, 1373 Bridge St. Branchville, SC 29432.

Survived by one daughter, Karen M. Meadows of Swansea, six grandchildren, and two great grandchildren,

Ott Funeral Home in Branchville is in charge of arrangements.

# Tribute Wall

KM

“ Thank you everyone for your kind words and thoughts. We will miss Herman greatly, he was a very special person.

*Karen Meadows*

*Daughter*

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**Karen Meadows** - August 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ - To the family of Herman C. Leonhardt ,please except the condolences from Fred Rhoad and myself on the passing of Herman. I learned of his passing by chance while going thur the Charleston newspaper Saturday and passed the news to Fred Rhoad. Fred who is from the area, recounted the many times that he fished and camped with Herman . While visiting Fred on a fishing trip to the river ,I,myself had the good chance to meet Herman and get a chance to visit his home/studio on the river along with seeing his artwork . Since we didn't know Herman's family or their addresses we are using this format to express our condolences instead of a note. With Fred moving from the coast to Charlotte with his wife, its rare that we get together anymore and only do so if he by chance is down seeing his people. We can see why Herman choose to live-work on the river. Since I use the internet more than Fred,I'm writing for the both of us and hope this gets received in a timely matter.Again the two of us are sorry for your loss and we ourselves will feel something is missing while out on the river with Herman passing on. Bob Bolen also writing for Fred Rhoad

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**Bob Bolen** - August 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ My prayers are with Herman and his family.

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**Clifton Mcleod** - August 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM

EP

“ I'm sadden by the sudden and premature passing of Herman. Of course, we all knew him as 'The Swamp Man' and his beautiful glass works grace our homes, his iron works our gardens and his fabulous jewelry our necks and earlopes. He was a unique individual -- most certainly a fantastic artist, but also one with a funny tale, a quick smile and a witty comment. He viewed the world in an interesting way and I will miss his greatly, as will many others. Peace be with you, Herman. There will be one lonely corner of the Farmer's Market and I will miss our Saturday morning visits!

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**Ellen Pfeiffer** - August 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ Sorry I can't be there.

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**Scott McClain** - August 06, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ Herman or to those who knew and loved him Swampman was an incredible man, friend, and artist. He will be severely missed, my name is Nichole and my mother Beth had know Swampman since she was teenager and I had the pleasure of knowing him since the day I was born. I will always love you Swampman and the summers we spent at your beautiful home will and always have been some of my favorite memories they will along with you be forever in my heart and I will miss you so much. Mama loves you more than words and she is still in shock but it gives her some comfort knowing you knew how much she loved you she will love you forever rest in peace beloved Swampman  
Love always  
Nichole Williams and Beth Johnston

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**Beth Johnston and Nichole Williams** - August 05, 2011 at 12:00 AM

PR

“ So sorry to hear of Hermans passing. He was a master glass blower. Always enjoyed going to Branchville to visit.

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**Pat Rabicki** - August 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ Our thoughts & prayers to family. I met Herman by way of my wife Maggie in 1991. Some of the most relaxing & adventurous times were spent with him conversing as we floated on inner tubes down the Edisto. Herman's stories, humor & views of life captured my attention. He never let us go back home without giving us veggies he grew & glass he blew. We'll miss him. God bless!

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**Raul Zayas Bazan** - August 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM