



Melvyn Sydney Foster

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Melvyn Sydney Foster, of Nashville, passed away peacefully at his home on April 2, 2024. Melvyn was born in Shelbyville, Tennessee on December 3, 1942, to Julia Savage Hamilton Foster. At an early age, he would move to Nashville, the place he would call home for over 75 years. He was a 1961 graduate of West High School. Following high school graduation, Melvyn followed in the footsteps of his beloved mother and involved himself in the hair and fashion industry. His career spanned almost 51 years in and around Nashville at such places as The Duchess, Rich-Schwartz, Julia's, The Continental, the Gazebo, and the Patio. He retired in 2013. Throughout his life, Melvyn loved to travel and frequently visited New York, San Francisco, and New Orleans. His journeys also took him to several beauty and hair conventions in Europe. His letter of faith still remains at the downtown First Baptist Church in Nashville. Melvyn was an avid reader, and had a knowledge base for British history and movie history unsurpassed. As a hobby, he had a great interest in going to estate sales and consignment shops. "Mel" was a true and loyal friend to so many. He will be missed.

In addition to his mother, he was preceded in death by a sister, Judy Hamilton Billings Baker, a brother, Andrew Hamilton, and his beloved aunt and uncle, Buck and Tyne Foster. Survivors include several nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews, as well as a host of friends.

Visitation at Spring Hill Funeral Home will take place Saturday, April 6, 2024 at 10:00 am followed by Graveside services will be held on Saturday, April 6, 2024 at 11:00 am at Spring Hill Cemetery at 5110 Gallatin Pike in Nashville.






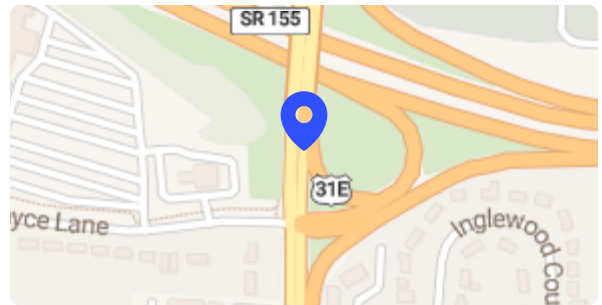
Visitation

-  **Saturday**, April 6, 2024
-  10:00 AM - 11:00 AM cst
-  **Spring Hill Funeral Home**
5110 Gallatin Pike S, Nashville TN 37216




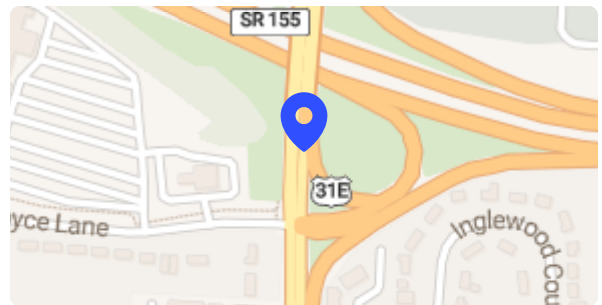
Graveside Service

-  **Saturday**, April 6, 2024
-  11:00 AM CT
-  **Historic Spring Hill Cemetery**
5110 Gallatin Road, Nashville TN 37216



Cemetery Details

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Steve Cates posted:

I was saddened to learn of the passing of Mel. I met him in the 1960s through our mutual friend, Tom Ragland. He was such a professional, well-before the term, "hair stylist" was very much used. He was extremely hard working and never ceased trying to do his best for all of his clients. He was also very kind to everyone. I remember when my father was dying of cancer and my mother was staying with him at St. Thomas Hospital. He made arrangements for me to bring her to his salon and he did her hair. Through him I also met "Ms. Julia" and that was always a special treat. My sympathy to the family!

April 18 at 1:26 PM



Nancy W. planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Melvyn.



April 8 at 7:06 AM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Foster family.



April 5 at 11:22 AM



Betty Stewart -Lions Head planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Melvyn.



April 5 at 11:22 AM



John, Tamara, Lee, Julia sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Foster family.



April 5 at 10:46 AM



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Kay Taylor Hume lit a candle in honor of Melvyn.

Kay Hume lit a candle in memory of Melvyn Foster

April 5 at 6:43 AM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Foster family.

April 4 at 9:55 AM





Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Melvyn by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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