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# Henry Family, friends remember Andrew Crabtree

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Andrew Crabtree was



a sophomore at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill,

N.C., when he passed away after battling cancer for 2½ years. During the 12 months following Andrew's death, several memorials were held in his memory.

Andrew was an accomplished student of the arts, including acting, singing and creative writing.

He was a member, and later counselor, at the Duke University Young Writers' Camp, a past member of the North Carolina Boys Choir and was Creative Manager of the LAB! Theatre at UNC-Chapel Hill.

A memorial chair was donated by Jennifer Gatti and Stephanie O'Brien at the NC Stage in Asheville, N.C.

His Riverside High School (Durham, N.C.) drama department held a concert at which time the stage was named for him.

A plaque under lights, adorns the wall stage right facing the audience. A scholarship fund was established through the Durham County Schools Educational Foundation. The scholarship is awarded each year to a



Deborah, mom; Ashley, twin; and Guy, dad; at the ceremony when the stage at Riverside High School was named after Andrew Crabtree.

graduating senior from

Riverside majoring in dra-

matic arts. The Drama De-

partment at UNC-Chapel

Hill held a memorial at the

LAB! Theatre. A commem-

the Drama Department at

UNC-Chapel Hill. A tree

was planted at the YMCA

in Durham with a plaque

honoring his memory. He

was remembered at a me-

morial service held at the

Morehead Planetarium on

the campus of UNC-Chapel

Several newspaper arti-

cles and an editorial were

written about Andrew in

Hill.

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The memorial bench placed at the UNC-Chapel Hill Department of Dramatic Arts was a gift from Pulley, Watson, King, and Lischer LLP Attorneys at Law.

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the Daily Tar Heel newspaper, and a play was presented at the LAB! Theatre in his memory.

One month prior to his passing, Andrew gave his last performance in "The Cripple Inishmaan" at the Deep Dish Theatre in Chapel Hill, N.C. The theater presented his family with a commemorative book of the play dedicated to Andrew.

On June 14, 2014, friends and family gathered to mark the one year anniversary with memories and laughter. At dusk, lanterns were signed with messages to Andrew and launched into the night sky.

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# **Family photos**

### **SAM BRANCH**



Gregory Scott Woodlief Jr. married Mary Paige Yennie on June 14, 2014. They are holding daughter Ella Paige.

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Spencer Blake Davis married Gloria Elizabeth Hardy on March 15, 2014.

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Geoffrey Bryan Wilson married Robyn Norris on April 28, 2014.

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Matthew Watson Stancil married Becky Wilson on Feb. 2, 2014.

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Justin Tyler Brown married Yana Bardashevich on Oct. 6, 2013.



William 'Whit' Whitfield Newton married Sarah Elizabeth Riser on Nov. 26, 2013. From left, Megan & J.T., Will, Sarah & Whit, Annette & Dr. Tommy Newton.

### **TEMPY ANN BRANCH**



Lyndon Earl Sidelinger married Jennifer Evans Downing on Dec. 9, 2013.

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Billy Steven Narron Jr. married Jamie Thompson on July 7, 2013.