

### James Benjamin Hudson, III

In the early morning hours of Saturday, April 20, 2013, James Benjamin Hudson, III, charted a new course for his final journey. By way of a heart attack he yielded his vessel to a new Captain.

Known by his many friends and family as "Butch", "Cap'n Butch" or even "ReRun" at the age of 54 he took his final breath while at sea in the arms of his youngest son, Joey.

The sea is where he felt most alive. He navigated the waters from Nova Scotia to Cancun, the Bahamas to Cuba, the Intracoastal (the ditch) and all points in between. For many years Butch was joined by his wife, love of his life and First Mate, Marianne.

Butch was born in Savannah, GA on November 11, 1958. He was a native of Hilton Head & lifelong resident.

The Hudson Family name is imbedded deep in the roots of Hilton Head & Beaufort County and enjoys a rich heritage of life on the water, locally & beyond. Just as Butch learned the ways of the sea from his father, JB "Benny" Hudson, Butch has passed on that knowledge to his son, Joey. Equal to sharing and spending time with Joey on the water was his time spent with JB. Whether it be in the Crew Pit at the drag races or boat racing. Butch passed

on his knowledge and love of engines and machinery to his oldest son, JB.

Butch died while working in the Gulf of Mexico off the coast of Port Fourchon, Louisiana.

Butch is preceded in death by his father, JB "Benny" Hudson and Loco. Butch is survived by his wife, Marianne of almost 19 years and 2 sons, James B. "JB" Hudson, IV, Bluffton, SC and Joseph Patrick "Joey" Hudson, Freeport, TX, stepsons Stephen G. McGuire, Jacksonville, FL, Darrell W. McGuire, Bluffton, SC, stepdaughter Tiffany E. Harris, Palatka, FL, his mother Lola Mae Sullivan, Paxton, FL, Stepmother, Barbara Ann Hudson, Hilton Head, SC, Sisters Sherry D. Brown of Fredricksburg, VA, Terry Hudson Fuller (Randy), Paxton, FL, Tonya Hudson-DeSalve (Brian), Hilton Head, SC, Bobbie L. Griffith, Albuquerque, NM, 7 grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Butch wasn't one for all the frills so in keeping with his wishes we ask that his family and friends gather for a "Celebration of Life" Saturday, May 4th at Benny Hudson Seafood, 175 Squire Pope Rd., Hilton Head Island, SC beginning @ 3pm.

You're invited to bring a covered dish, your lawn chair and your memories to share. Dress will be very casual.

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