



It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of our beloved industry friend and fellow NCNLA member, Hunter Lamar Stubbs, who passed on July 16, 2017. Hunter, 47, was the brother of our own WindRiver Nursery partner and friend, Brian Stubbs. Hunter was also a partner at B.B. Barns Landscaping in Asheville where he was in charge of the landscape services to help make the world a more beautiful place, both by the gardens he created and constantly seeking ways to encourage and inspire those around him. Stubbs loved sharing his passion for plants and people. He started a popular garden symposium in Asheville, "Speaking of Gardening" which continues on today in its 19th year and features both local and world renowned garden speakers and authors. His designs, articles and gardens were featured in several publications, including "Southern Living", "Fine Gardening" and "Carolina Gardener". He was a wonderful, loving husband, father and friend. He will be greatly missed. A friendship was forged with Carl and Terrel at NC State in the mid 90's. Carl and Terrel were getting their under-graduate degrees while Hunter was getting his masters degree in Horticulture. They all graduated together and remained close as their families grew and careers took shape in the green industry. Hunter moved to Asheville to take a position at the Richmond Hill Inn as head Horticulturist. Over the years bouncing ideas



and consulting with each other fueled the friendship and when Hunter moved into the world of Landscape contracting we were glad to help in any way we could. Having someone to confide in over various challenges was of great value for both parties. Hunter was also instrumental in us partnering with his brother in the nursery. As a brother in Christ, Hunter is still teaching us so much about life and what really matters.



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