

## Carter Stephen Ainsworth

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Carter Stephen Ainsworth was born in Charleston, South Carolina. He grew up in Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina, and graduated from Wando High School. He was a Biomedical Science completer at Wando High School and did internships at East Cooper Hospital in Mt. Pleasant and Roper/St. Francis Hospital in Charleston. Carter was a member of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church where he was active in the youth group and choir. He also took part in a church mission working in New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina. Carter enjoyed sports, especially water skiing, snowboarding, skateboarding, football, soccer, and baseball and had a black belt in karate. Carter loved music and played the piano. He especially enjoyed playing the guitar. He was an avid reader, and Hemingway was one of his favorite authors. He also sang in the Wando High School chorus. Carter loved animals and nature and was very happy when he was camping, hunting, fishing, or boating. He was known to his friends as "Captain Carter" because he frequently took friends boating in the rivers, creeks, and harbor around Charleston. Carter enjoyed traveling and exploring new countries. He was a devoted son, brother, nephew, cousin, friend, and boyfriend and was loved by many. He was very outgoing and brightened up a room when he entered. He had a keen sense of humor and loved to make people laugh. Carter attended Clemson University from 2012 to 2016 where he received a posthumous Bachelor of Science degree in biology in May 2017. Carter excelled in his field of biology at Clemson and earned a 4.0 in his major putting him on the President's list. The Clemson University President called Carter "a treasure to Clemson who will be sorely missed." Carter was excited about continuing his education by attending medical school. He planned to become a physician and continue to help others in health care in the future. Carter was an intern for the American Society for Clinical Pathology (ASCP) in Washington, D.C., where he worked on health policies and issues. Carter was an outstanding young man who contributed greatly to the world in the short time he was with us.