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A new Cross for the Historic Chapel

Raleigh, NC - A new cross now stands on the high altar at Saint Augustine's College Historic Chapel. Alfred Roe and Janine Tinsley-Roe donated the cross in response to a request by their son Miles Roe, a freshman transfer student at the college.

Standing seven feet, the wooden cross with hand-carved detailing took Alfred Roe approximately a week to make. The staff supporting the cross is made of afrmosia and the 1 ½-foot wide cross is made of curly maple. Each corner of the cross is adorned with dowels made of cherry and ebony wood.

Miles Roe noticed the condition of the chapel's previous cross and wanted to help by asking his father to make a new one. "We have a beautiful chapel and I hope the cross will brighten it a little more," Miles said.

Since the cross has been in the chapel, Miles said he has noticed a lot of conversations about the new cross and he hopes it will inspire others to help keep the campus beautiful.

Miles is a Criminal Justice major with hopes of working in law enforcement in his home state of New York and eventually making it to the U.S. Marshal's office.

With more than 20 years of experience in woodworking, Alfred Roe is the owner of Roe Woodworking where he makes and repairs furniture. Janine Tinsley-Roe is currently the Missioner for Native American Ministries for the U.S. Episcopal Church.

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