



Louis Harley Coker

April 29, 1946 - July 13, 2020

**Due to Covid restrictions, there is a limitation for attendance at the Funeral Service. In order to comply, the services will be for the immediate family and invited guests. The cemetery is allowing the public to attend while still observing social distance and masks. Please consider posting your condolences on this page for the family to receive.

***Masks will be required at all services.

Louis Harley Coker, 74, of Creedmoor, NC, died on July 13, 2020, at his home. He was born in Charleston, SC, on April 29, 1946, son of the late Robert Leiby Coker Sr. and Elizabeth Harley Coker.

Louis grew up in Mount Pleasant, SC, where he attended Moultrie High School. He went on to Methodist University where he earned a B.S. in Business Administration and Economics in 1968.

Louis married Mary Alice Rogers on July 5, 1969. Together they raised two wonderful children, Elliott and Alison. At the time of his death, Louis was employed as a Controller for Gilmore Global in Morrisville, NC. He worked there for over twenty years.

He was a huge Carolina Hurricanes fan, and he very much enjoyed taking university courses in the Catholic faith and reading. He was an active member of the St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Parish, including being a member of the RCIA team and a Journeyman. Additionally, he was an active member of the Padre Pio Fraternity of the National Fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order and a Lecturer for the Knights of Columbus (council 9709).

Louis was preceded in death by his parents and his wife, Mary Alice. He is survived by his son, Elliott (Meagan) Coker of Louisburg, NC; daughter, Alison (Mark) Hughes of Creedmoor, NC; eight grandchildren; twin brother, Robert L. Coker Jr. (Sylvia) of Mount Pleasant, SC; niece, Lauren Coker of Raleigh, NC; and cousin-in-law, Rosemary Hamre of

Butner, NC.

The Liturgy of the Word will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 21, 2020 at St. Francis of Assisi with a Graveside Service to follow at 2:00 p.m. at Creedmoor Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in memory of Louis to Oak City Cares at <https://oakcitycares.org/donate>.

Cemetery

Creedmoor Cemetery (formerly, Maple Hill)

E Wilton Ave

Creedmoor, NC, 27522

Events

JUL **Liturgy of the Word** 11:00AM

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St. Francis of Assisi R.C. Church

11401 Leesville Road, RALEIGH, NC, US, 27613

JUL **Graveside Service** 02:00PM

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Creedmoor Cemetery (formerly, Maple Hill)

E Wilton Ave, Creedmoor, NC, US, 27522

Comments



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Louis Harley Coker.



July 20 at 11:08 PM



“ Elliott & Meagan, We are so saddened for your loss. We just got the news & keeping you in our hearts, thoughts, & prayers! Love y'all!
Tim & Donna Adams



Donna Lowery Adams - July 19 at 07:46 PM



“ My sincere condolences go to Louis and his family. I worked with him for almost 20 years at Gilmore Global and he enjoyed his job as Controller. I don't ever remember my paycheck being wrong during all those years. His sudden death was a shock and a blow to us at Gilmore. We miss him already.

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I'm praying that God's comfort will be with Elliott, Allison, and the entire family.

Sincerely,
Walter James III

Walter James - July 17 at 11:10 AM



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Walter James III - July 16 at 08:49 PM



“ For the past several years, Louis and I met once or twice a month to go out for dinner and talk. The virus put an end to that. He did visit me this month for a short time to deliver some pictures. He was so active and had so many friends. At our Secular Franciscan Fraternity, he was particularly close to Davis Shick, Michael Hancock, Chris Peffley and myself. “He was one who knew the word of God and responded with his actions. The response was often to the needs of others. He responded to the Secular Franciscan Fraternity and became their Treasurer; and cleared up a veritable mess: I have to mention the many free donations of printed materials he donated. His participation was superb in everything we have done. He also was active at St. Francis of Assisi church. joining the RCIA team for formation and sponsoring someone every year.; in fact, he took-line courses to become a certified Catechist in order to help others learn the teachings of the church. He also responded to the Knights of Columbus when asked and became their spiritual Lecturer. He responded and became a faithful Extraordinary Minister at church. He secretly helped individuals in need, too.

He took time to talk and listen to all he met. This was Louis' forte. Who couldn't enjoy a good conversation with him! In all this, he never forgot the love for his late wife and family. He will be sadly missed by many people. May he rest in peace.



Frank Peluso - July 16 at 03:42 PM



“ My deepest condolences to Louis' entire family, his friends and co-workers. I had the pleasure of meeting Louis on several occasions when I visited the Gilmore Global office in Morrisville. He was a true gentleman and will be missed.

- Matt Mozer

Matt Mozer - July 16 at 11:11 AM



“ Louis was a real gentleman and I so loved working with him. I never had the pleasure of meeting him, distance was the factor, but I did have the pleasure of sharing some pretty silly moments at work.

Louis you will be missed my friend and co-worker. May you R.I.P My thoughts and prayers are with the family. My deepest condolences to all.

Janet Raymond - July 16 at 09:34 AM



“ Dear Allison & Elliott,

We are so sorry for your loss. It was a pleasure working with your father and getting to know him over the many years we worked together. After working together for so long we all become family and it's a huge loss for everyone that knew and loved him. Praying that in this difficult time, God comforts you and gives you the strength and courage to bear the loss of your father. He will always be with you, just close your eyes and listen to your heart.

May God Bless,

Tony & Mary Pernel



Mary Pernell - July 16 at 08:46 AM