



Carl Steven Rapp

July 28, 1949 - March 18, 2020

Carl Rapp, a computer engineer and long-time resident of Gwinnett County, Georgia, passed peacefully on March 18, 2020 at the age of 70. Carl is survived by his wife Susan Rapp (née Milligan); his mother Genevieve; his children Elizabeth, Steven and his wife Elizabeth, John and his wife Diana, and Kathleen; and his grandchildren Benny, Liberty and Lucia. He is predeceased by his father, Linus Titus Rapp.

Carl was born in Cleveland, Ohio on July 28, 1949 to Genevieve and Linus Rapp. On August 7, 1971, he married his beloved Susan, a registered nurse and his high school sweetheart. He graduated from the University of Dayton with a degree in electrical engineering prior to joining the United States Army in 1972. During his military tenure, he rose to the rank of Major before transitioning to the private sector in the satellite communications field.

Carl was a devoted husband and father, a respected boss and co-worker, a cherished son, and although he was an only child, through his more than 30-year friendship with Bill W, his brothers and sisters numbered in the thousands. He was the first one to lend a hand when needed and devoted countless hours happily to help his church and community. He was a world traveler and always up for an adventure. He was a true artist who used his skills to engineer toys, tools, and sculptures, and craft beautiful stained-glass pieces both big and small.

Carl was above all a family man and cherished time with his wife, children, and grandchildren most of all. He took pride in his neighborhood and never missed an opportunity to dazzle and amaze people with his creative Halloween decorations. He was a protector of the small, a defender of the weak, and an ambassador for justice and compassion. Indifferent to differences of race, creed, or religion, he greeted all he met with open heart and arms.

He will be remembered by many as someone who went out of his way to say hello, ask about your day, and provide support and comfort to those who needed it. He will be deeply

missed by all who had the pleasure to know him. And his legacy will live on through the decades of good deeds he's accomplished and the countless men and women who carry him in their hearts.

A Memorial Mass will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 31, 2020 at St. Oliver Plunkett Catholic Church, 3200 Brooks Drive, SW, Snellville, GA 30078. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that contributions be made in Carl's name to the Winship Cancer Institute of Emory University, Office of Gift Records, Emory University, 1762 Clifton Rd. NE, Suite 1400, Atlanta, GA 30322.

Events

OCT **Memorial Mass** 11:00AM
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St. Oliver Plunkett Catholic Church
3200 Brooks Drive, Snellville, GA, US, 30078

Comments



“ To our dear nephew Carl...thanks for all the memories, Carl...Rest in peace..our love, always Eileen and Jim

eileen and jim raymond - October 31, 2020 at 12:17 PM



“ Carl was a dear Friend And great stained glass Student! His quick wit made being in his presence a pleasure. We will always remember him with great fondness. Missing you so much. Marylee & Dick Maury



MaryLee Maury - June 08, 2020 at 06:58 PM



“ Carl's spirit was one that proved there is something great within us all. He showed it without knowing he showed it. He shared it without knowing he shared it. It is/was an honor to have known him.

Dave Fuglewicz - March 24, 2020 at 12:49 PM



“ Carl's passing brings a heavy heart, but it lightened by the memory of many beautiful times shared.

Carl was a close work associate and a great workout buddy. For years we put many miles under our feet running around Shackleford and Communications drive. Along with his beautiful daughters, we kicked butt many years in our fight for cancer at the Gwinnett relay for life.

Carl's always carried a jovial nature that was infectious and uplifting.

God Bless you Carl Rapp and God Bless all of Carl's beautiful family.

Jeff Anderson

Jeff Anderson - March 23, 2020 at 06:00 PM



“ That last post was from Mary Lynn Smith not Mary. Carl will understand. :)

Mary Lynn Smith - March 23, 2020 at 05:25 PM



“ It was a joy to work with Carl. He was very good at what he did. What was truly special was that no matter what was going on, Carl would always find a way to laugh at it. I loved the twinkle he would get in his eye when he was up to something. For many years we traded back and forth how we would help each other "celebrate" our birthday's. He had an inquisitive nature and was always learning. His stain glass was gorgeous. I was truly blessed to have him in my life. He brought such joy to life. May God bless you and surround you with love and laughter because Carl would want you to continue to find ways to laugh.



Mary Lynn Smith - March 23, 2020 at 05:24 PM



“ Carl was more than my boss - he was my mentor, and a kindred spirit in creativity. Having worked for and with him for nearly 20 years, I can say that he was my friend. Not every boss understands the feeling you have when you are just a couple of hours away from finishing an artistic endeavor - Carl did, and didn't bat an eye one afternoon when I asked if I could leave a couple of hours early, so I could get a jump on finishing the beads on one of my large mandala needleworks. We worked well together, we worked hard, but in between, we had many conversations and photo sharing of our various works in progress, and I wish I'd come out to see the Skeleton Crew in person. His enthusiasm and generosity showed through every year when he helped put our Veteran's Breakfast together, as well as many other events he was involved with. My fellow Veteran, and fellow Buckeye - you will be missed. Rest easy, Sir.

Karen Rife - March 23, 2020 at 09:43 AM



“ Carl was generous with the lessons he learned about living. I sought Council from him and was never disappointed with his input. He lovingly, always lovingly shared what he knew. He was a worker among workers and a symbol of Almighty God's desire for all of us to live in harmony.
Take care Carl, I love you!

Bobby Gallagher - March 22, 2020 at 09:32 AM



“ Carl was a good friend. ..i could always pick up the phone and call him... he wold guide me in the right decision. ..he was , good man...take care carl!!!you will be missed

Joel berrong17@gmai.com - April 26, 2020 at 11:50 AM



“ Carl,
Help me with lot of stuff in my life.
Forever get full for guidance he provided to me.
Bill

Bill Patel - May 07, 2020 at 03:40 PM



“ Carl was a close friend for most of my life. Through all the ups and downs life brings us all Carl was always there. I don't have the words to adequately express how much he will be missed. Please accept my condolences during this difficult time. Rest In Peace old friend.

Clyde Elder - March 21, 2020 at 04:23 PM



“ We were Wisteria Place neighbors of Carl and Sue for 20 years before we moved 2 years ago. We enjoyed neighborhood Supper Club get togethers, Christmas gift exchanges/steals, a Super Bowl party, so much fun and laughter over the years. We loved Carl's creative and over-the-top Halloween decorations that reflected family events. Carl, you will not be forgotten but you are already very much missed. Rest easy now and know that your friends love you always. -- Jo and Doug Altman

Jo and Doug Altman - March 20, 2020 at 08:10 PM



“ My condolence go out to Carl's Family. My heart is broken because Carl is such a lively person. I say in presentense this because his character will live on..... You made me feel like I was important. Rest in Peace my friend.
Rhonda - Viasat

Rhonda Camp - March 20, 2020 at 08:02 PM



“ We have many memories of Carl and his propensity to get into mischief. We tried filling his office with balloons one year. This year, we put a little fake door at the very bottom of his door ... What a great man... with an awesome sense of humor!



Kim Lanier - March 20, 2020 at 06:17 PM



“ I am Carl's cousin from Cleveland. He was always so concerned with all my health problems and loved to hear what was going the few times he was on Facebook. I was also happy to be able to visit him and Susan when they stopped in Cleveland . Rest in Peace. We will miss you

Dora KORELL (Sumerak) - March 20, 2020 at 03:11 PM



“ Carl, man, you will be so missed... and yet your spirit will live on for the example you provided by taking life's challenges and dealing with them honestly through love and service. Brian W

Brian Wood - March 20, 2020 at 02:05 PM



“ Carl was, is, and shall remain my BFF - my brother from another mother! Over a 46 year friendship, we shared many adventures, laughter, and tears. He will be sorely missed, but his legacy is in the good hands of his children and grandchildren! May he rest in eternal peace.

David Lundquist - March 20, 2020 at 01:56 PM