



Mr. Craig Arthur France

September 16, 1958 - December 5, 2020

Craig Arthur France, age 62, of Mayo, passed away Saturday, December 5, 2020, while traveling through Columbia County, Florida.

A son of Dr. James Arthur France (deceased) and Claire Wistuba France of Mayo, Craig was born on September 16, 1958, in Bradenton, Florida.

He is survived by his daughters: Stephani Ann France and Staci Ashleigh Swain (husband, Bryan) of Tallahassee; brother James Scott France (wife, Janice) of Tallahassee; sisters Jennifer Mullins (husband, Bo) of Mayo and Ashleigh France Trimble (husband, Steve) of Tallahassee; grandson, Oliver Swain; several nieces and nephews; mentors, Jody and Joanne Sullivan of Mayo; and many close lifelong friends that were like family and meant the world to him.

Craig's family moved to Mayo, FL in 1970, where he attended and played football at Lafayette High School, graduating in 1977. He worked as a mechanic for Caterpillar in Starke, Florida then Tallahassee after moving to Woodville, Florida in the early 1980's. Craig worked as a heavy equipment mechanic/diesel mechanic for Crowder Excavating of Tallahassee, then as an aviation mechanic at Tallahassee Regional Airport after receiving his certification from Lively Vocational/Technical School. Craig returned to Mayo and was employed as a commercial truck driver for Triple P Trucking in Mayo

at the time of his death.

Craig will be remembered as a man who truly took pride in living a simple life. He gave more to this world than he ever took. He was a Christian and outdoorsman whose activities included farming, camping, boating and mechanical repair. Most importantly, he was a proud father who enjoyed family time with his daughters and was delighted to become Papa to Oliver (Ollie) Swain in January, 2019.

A memorial service for Craig will be held in Tallahassee at Abbey Funeral Home, 4037 North Monroe St on Saturday, December 19, 2020 at 2:00PM. Facemasks and social distancing are required. The online guestbook and live stream service can be found at www.abbeyfh.com.

Previous Events

Service

DEC 19. 2:00 PM (ET)

Abbey Funeral Home
4037 North Monroe Street
Tallahassee, FL 32303
(850) 562-1518
abbeyfh@comcast.net

Tribute Wall



“ *Abbey Funeral Home and Tallahassee Memory Gardens created a Webcast in memory of Mr. Craig Arthur France*



Abbey Funeral Home and Tallahassee Memory Gardens - December 19, 2020 at 01:55 PM

SF

His legacy will live in through everything he said and did. I will always miss you we're my hero daddy. Watch of us guardian angel. 🙏

staci france - December 20, 2020 at 09:34 PM

SF

Awesome grammar haha

staci france - December 20, 2020 at 09:35 PM

MR

“ *My heart goes out to Claire and to Craig's family. I pray for your comfort in the face of this tremendous loss. God be with you, each one.*

mona reeves - December 19, 2020 at 08:42 PM

TR

“ Sending condolences to you and your family, Stephani. May your dad’s memory be a blessing to you all.



Tracy - December 19, 2020 at 09:26 AM

SH

“ Stephani, please know that Gwen and I are keeping you and your family in our prayers. May your memories of your dad comfort you during this difficult time.

Steve Hurm and Gwen Graham

Steve Hurm - December 16, 2020 at 12:13 PM

LJ

“ Love Always, Mommy and Joe purchased the Heavenly Light for the family of Mr. Craig Arthur France.



Love Always, Mommy and Joe - December 14, 2020 at 06:44 PM

MS

“ Craig was a gentle giant,condolences to his family, especially his Mother and daughters...

Marcia Swanson - December 14, 2020 at 05:48 PM

MS

“ *Craig was an easygoing gentlegiant,I knew him a short time,he seemed tobe a good guy...Sending love and condolences to Craig's entire family,especially his Mother and daughters...*



Marcia Swanson - December 14, 2020 at 05:45 PM

JS

“ *Joe Sollohub lit a candle in memory of Mr. Craig Arthur France*



Joe Sollohub - December 14, 2020 at 02:44 PM