



Mr. Craig Richard Leveen

September 2, 1956 - August 13, 2021

Craig Richard Leveen, 64, of Tallahassee, Florida, passed away on Friday evening, August 13, 2021, after an extended illness, while surrounded by his loving family.

He is now reunited in Heaven with his parents, Murray and Rose Benjamin Leveen; wife, Stacey (Kakarigi) Gamble; brother-in-law, William Lamb; and father-in-law, Richard "Dick" Lamar Gamble.

Born in New York City, New York on September 2, 1956, he was the son of Murray and Rose Benjamin Leveen, of blessed memory. He served many years as a dedicated law enforcement officer and enjoyed many sports, including bicycle racing, Jai Alai, racquet ball, corn hole and was an avid FSU football fan.

Survivors include his sister, Karen Lamb; brother-in-law, Daryl Gamble (wife, Kim); nephews, Jeff Jacobson, Kyle Gamble and Zachary Gamble; mother-in-law, Carolyn Elizabeth Tucker Gamble; and uncle Myron Leveen (Lorraine). He is also survived by numerous friends and fellow law enforcement comrades.

Visitation is from 10:00 until 11:00 AM, Thursday, August 19, 2021, at Abbey Funeral Home, with the funeral beginning at 11:00 AM. Interment will follow at

2:30 PM at Union Missionary Baptist Church on Highway 91 North in Donalsonville, Georgia.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Sheldrick Wildlife Trust (<https://www.sheldrickwildlifetrust.org>) or Big Bend Hospice. The online guestbook and live stream funeral service can be found at www.abbeyfh.com.

Cemetery Details

Union Missionary Baptist Church Cemetery

Highway 91
Donalsonville, GA 39845

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 19. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Abbey Funeral Home
4037 North Monroe Street
Tallahassee, FL 32303
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Funeral Service

AUG 19. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



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



Abbey Funeral Home and Tallahassee Memory Gardens - August 19, 2021 at 09:50 AM

LC

May you rest in peace, Sgt. Leveen! You were a great person to work under. With affection, Lily Calvo-Florentino/Retiree-CGPD

Lily Calvo-Florentino - August 19, 2021 at 10:08 AM

LC

Thank you for providing the opportunity to be there through this video. It was great to see Officer Money & Schwartz. God bless all of CGPD - past & present. Lily Calvo-Florentino

Lily Calvo-Florentino - August 19, 2021 at 11:27 AM

MS

My deepest condolences to Karen and all of the family what a beautiful service, perhaps God gave Craig a glance:) Craig your impeccable dedication to training your P.D. family helped to strengthen and give us all the tools we needed both on and off the job. Thank you for making me strong! Thank you and Stacey for the BBQs and good times and memories shared. You will never be forgotten. Rest in peace Lt. Craig Leveen

*Melissa Steele
Retired C.G.P.D.*

M. Steele - August 19, 2021 at 05:19 PM

ND

Craig was must Sergeant for many years and a friend for much longer. I missed many opportunities to tell him this. I will always remember him with goodness in his heart and a smile in mine. Bless him and his family. Norma Dieppa

Norma Dieppa - August 20, 2021 at 10:29 AM



Craig and I met nearly 20 years ago. He was at my wedding. His dog Bailey and my dog Mordi were friends. I miss Craig very much. Love Alex.

Alex Nottingham - September 01, 2024 at 08:02 PM

SS

“ *Deepest sympathy and support for the family. RIP Craig 🙏🙏❤️ So thankful I got to know you and work with you for most of my career.*”

Sharon Swikehardt - September 07, 2021 at 02:05 PM

RN

“ *Craig was a wonderfully genuine person, with an incredible sense of humor. It was a pleasure to work with him and he will be sorely missed by all who knew him.*

Thoughts and prayers are with his family.

Rich & Kasey Naue

Rich Naue - August 20, 2021 at 04:55 PM

MS

“ My deepest condolences to you Karen and the rest of Craigs family. Craig was a very professional Police Officer and supervisor. Craig had a very calm demeanor which made him ideal for the firearms instructor at the range as well as riot control training, self defense tactical training etc. He was very compassionate and dedicated to the safety of his "Blue Blood" family at C.G.P.D. as well as the community he swore to protect and serve. I am honored to have worked with him, he will be missed and never forgotten. Rest in peace Lt. Craig R. Leveen



Retired C.G.P.D.
Sgt. Melissa Steele

M. Steele - August 19, 2021 at 05:02 PM

ML

“ Craig was a warm and kind human being and always willing to help others, we will miss your great sense of humor and laugh... your memory will live on in our hearts ❤️

Mary Long - August 19, 2021 at 12:26 PM

ML

“ Craig was one of the kindest souls I have ever known. He was a life long friend and he will be missed by me, my family and his close friends and family. We love you Craig

Michael Lippert

Michael Lippert - August 19, 2021 at 11:48 AM

LC

“ *Lily Calvo-Florentino lit a candle in memory of Mr. Craig Richard Leveen*



Lily Calvo-Florentino - August 19, 2021 at 10:24 AM

VP

“ *My sincere condolences to Craig's family. I always enjoyed meeting with him when I was in Tallahassee for lunch. He was such a nice person in every way. He will be missed greatly.*

Vinnie Petersen

Vinnie Petersen - August 19, 2021 at 09:33 AM

MG

“ Craig,
*My brother from another Mother and Father.
It's almost 58 years since I met you in our neighborhood in South Beach. We shared life's ups and downs. School, bicycles, cars (including a Chevy on fire and a Roadrunner Hotrod), scuba diving, golf, football on flooded golf course and so many more memories. We learned about sports and girls together. Learned to play Jai Alai and Racquetball (where we dominated Flamingo Park courts). We went to college together, learned to Disco and shared some amazing times with our other lifelong buddies, David, Dickie and Michael. I remember the annual trips together, drinking, skiing, white water rafting, drinking and yes drinking. You have been and always will be a significant piece of my life and will always occupy a front row seat in my heart and mind. Thank you for always being there, my brother, my friend. Rest in Peace and know that I will keep your memories we created here on earth while you create new ones in heaven.*
Love, Max

Max Gomez - August 18, 2021 at 09:50 PM

VG

“ Venise Gomez lit a candle in memory of Mr. Craig Richard Leveen



Venise Gomez - August 18, 2021 at 09:03 PM

TK

“ You’ve probably heard about the guy who would give you the shirt off his back. I know the guy, his name is Craig. He was the kindest, most generous and loyal person I’ve ever known. To confirm this you have to look no further than how he treated friends and his fur babies. Craig had a fantastic sense of humor and was always up for another adventure. You are missed my friend.

Tom and Paula

Tom Kenny - August 18, 2021 at 08:41 PM

CW

“ Craig was not only a great supervisor to work for while in Coral Gables, but he was also a great friend and a hilarious individual. After Craig retired and moved to Tallahassee it made it easy to keep in touch with him since I was a Florida State fan as well and traveled there every year. My wife and I shared dinners, barbecue’s and laughs with him and Stacey. We even made plans just about every year to travel to some away FSU football game somewhere. We traveled to Colorado, Utah, New York, South Carolina, Virginia, Oklahoma and Texas to name a few places. That group started out with three of us and grew to eight very fast with the addition of our wives and other friends. Those trips were some of the best times I have ever had in my life. I don’t believe I have laughed so hard when this group got together, and Craig was a major reason why. He will certainly be missed and remembered fondly by myself and everyone else in our group. Rest in peace, Craig and our condolences to his family.

Chris & Kelli Wise - August 18, 2021 at 09:27 AM

CB

“ Craig and me dancing at Nene Fest dressed as a chili pepper and pea pod, Craig's cool style whether donned in police uniform (I've only seen pics), Hawaiian shirt and hat in his red Thunderbird, or camping at the beach with Georgia herding the group, Craig's key lime pie, his pranks, smile and laugh, Craig and me with our crazy friend group quietly watching all the others loudly debate politics, lox and bagels together this past year, and the sweetest story ever when he took Stacey to NYC and surprised her with a true New York style intimate jazz show to see their favorite guy, Steve Tyrell. When my camellias are in bloom they will forever be my nod to Craig and Stacey. Xo

Catherine Bray - August 17, 2021 at 08:20 PM

RW

“ Craig was a member of our eight person FSU "away" game travelling team. We travelled to Syracuse, Maryland, Clemson, Colorado, BYU, Oklahoma and Virginia to name a few. Craig always kept us laughing in one way or another. He enjoyed his friend and he loved FSU. You will be missed my friend. I'm in Kentucky ole buddy or I would be there to sing your praises.

Reggie Wise and more

Reggie Wise - August 17, 2021 at 08:10 PM

AW

“ Andrew Weidenfeld purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mr. Craig Richard Leveen.



Andrew Weidenfeld - August 17, 2021 at 09:16 AM

JO

“ Craig was a member of the Tallahassee Dog Obedience Club. He was a great person and I enjoyed working with him setting up rings and performing the heavy lifting.

May God Bless Craig and his family with his divine love, grace, and mercy.

John Outland

John Outland - August 17, 2021 at 07:38 AM

AD

“ Playing racquetball with Craig was a great pleasure. He would joke in a way which was simultaneously playful ribbing and a genuine compliment. He would call me the rabbit, though he was just as fast as I ever was. If you got him good using technique instead of power, he'd say you dropped your purse, or simply say "no fair!"

I'll miss him greatly. Thank you for the happy memories, Craig <3

Adam - August 16, 2021 at 11:52 PM

JP

“ Craig was not only one of my all time favorite racquetball buddies, but also a good friend. I'll never forget him singing full spirited "Sweet Caroline" with the crowd at FSU baseball games. We kayaked the Wakulla river together (Craig's first time) and he kept asking, "How much further till we get to the bridge?" All I had in response was "Hang in there Craig, should be around the next turn." The event timing was bad, catching a strong, outgoing tide. On more than one occasion, Captain Craig treated his racquetball buddies to a river excursion on his pontoon boat. We really enjoyed the lunch at Riverside Cafe afterwards. Over several years, Sandy and I loved his barbeque event the weekend of the FSU vs. Miami football game. Craig was an awesome host, a true gentleman and a guy that would do anything for you. I loved that guy! Rest in peace, brother Craig. I'll be looking for you when I am called home! Jim

Jim Parry - August 16, 2021 at 12:45 PM

AP

My sweet cousin, I feel cheated because I did not get to enjoy your company more. The times we had were fun and we kept up on FB. Such a huge loss for all of us that love you. Rest in peace sweet man. you will be sorely missed.

Ann La Papa - August 17, 2021 at 04:11 PM

PV

Craig, I'm saddened by your passing, but recognize you are in a better place and no longer suffer. I can picture you and Stacy dancing and walking hand in hand as you revel in the Kingdom of the Lord.

You were a remarkable soul and true friend. You demonstrated this in every activity you took up. I was thankful when you joined our racquetball group at the YMCA and then we moved to the Fitness Center on Adams St. Your competitive spirit was strong and you won often. I will hold you in my memories. Thank you for letting me experience you and Stacy!

Paul Vickery - August 19, 2021 at 01:12 PM