



Mr. Larry Julian Goracke

January 11, 1972 - March 23, 2018

Lawrence Julian “Larry” Goracke, 46, of Tallahassee, passed away on Friday, March 23, 2018.

A son of Leroy and Joyce Goracke, he was born in Vincennes, Indiana on January 11, 1972. He had lived in Tallahassee since 1988 and enjoyed hunting, fishing and family beach trips. His daughters adored him and he was a true family man. He was a member at Northwoods Baptist Church and was a huge supporter of Leon High School Volleyball and the Tallahassee Juniors Volleyball program. He was employed with the City of Tallahassee for over 20 years, most recently as an Administrative Specialist.

He is survived by his wife of 24 years, Susan Brusca Goracke; daughters, Jordyn Goracke, Julia Goracke and Jenna Goracke; brother, Jason (Penny) Goracke; sister, Jaime Goracke; nephew and niece, Dominick and Delaney; as well as numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Also surviving is his godfather, Gene Grossman; and great-uncle and aunt, Clinton and Donna Cullison.

A service to honor and celebrate his life is 4:00 PM, Tuesday, March 27, 2018, at Northwoods Baptist Church. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Leon High Volleyball, Tallahassee Juniors Volleyball or Northwoods Baptist Church. Online condolences may be expressed at www.abbeyfh.com.

Previous Events

Service

MAR 27. 4:00 PM (ET)

Northwoods Church Tallahassee
3762 Capital Circle NW
Tallahassee, FL 32303

Tribute Wall

JC

“Gloria and I first met Larry at the Berkeley High School Volleyball Tournament in Tampa about four years ago. He was sitting by himself watching the Leon High School team warm up. We introduced ourselves and he pointed out his daughter, Jordyn, who was on the court with our granddaughter, Caroline Dempsey. We had a nice conversation and followed the girls together as they went to play matches on other courts. We liked Larry a lot and stayed in touch conversing briefly with he and Susan at other volleyball matches. He is too young to die. We will pray for him, Susan, Jordyn, Julia and Jenna and Larry's entire family. My father died when I was 11; it dramatically changes your life. ...Joe Cote

Joe Cote - March 27, 2018 at 01:01 PM

SG

Thank you, Joe. He loved you guys like his extra set of honorary parents! I remember him texting me from that tournament that you guys were awesome and taking good care of him!

Susan Goracke - April 22, 2018 at 05:34 PM

SS

Susan, don't know if you remember me but I was the one that stole your husband away from you during hunting season back in 95-97. Steve Sumner... moved to Macon in 98 and lost touch with Larry. My wife, for some reason, was thinking about him today and found this. My heart is heavy and I wish we had stayed in touch. Larry was a great guy and I have many memories of him, mostly in the deer woods and on the pond. Larry never once complained about anyone or anything especially helping me drag all the deer I had taken out. My heart and prayers go out for you and your 3 beautiful daughters. Don't know if you will get this being the time span but if you do please text me @ 478-731-8787.
Thoughts and prayers!!!
Steve

steve sumner - August 31, 2018 at 05:43 PM

BD

“ Ben, Jamie, Skylar and Maiya Duran purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mr. Larry Julian Goracke.



Ben, Jamie, Skylar and Maiya Duran - March 27, 2018 at 08:26 AM

JC

“ Julie Mudd Chase lit a candle in memory of Mr. Larry Julian Goracke



Julie Mudd Chase - March 27, 2018 at 08:25 AM

JC

My heart is truly shattered for Susan and her children but I know they will find peace through Jesus Christ knowing they will be together again one day for eternity. My prayers are for them to gain peace, comfort quickly and to feel his arms wrapped around them. Me & my family loves you all so much!!

Julie Mudd Chase - March 27, 2018 at 08:33 AM

SG

Thank you Julie

Susan Goracke - April 22, 2018 at 05:35 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Mr. Larry Julian Goracke.*



March 26, 2018 at 07:20 PM



“ *Condolences to the family of Larry Goracke! Larry and I worked together for 13 years at the City of Tallahassee. Your family are in my thoughts and prayers during your time of bereavement!*

Cassandra Gant - March 26, 2018 at 04:58 PM



“ *Larry will be missed. He was always wonderful to work with. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Joe, Laura and Joey DeRouen*

Laura DeRouen - March 26, 2018 at 04:30 PM



“ *I came to the City a little over 6 years ago. Larry was one of the first people I met. He invited my wife and I to visit Northwoods Baptist Church. I quickly learned to respect him as a coworker, but more importantly as a caring friend. My deepest sympathies to his family. My family's prayers are with you as you go through this trying time.*

Pat and Nancy Faircloth

Pat Faircloth - March 26, 2018 at 04:05 PM



Thank you, he spoke very highly of you.

Susan Goracke - April 22, 2018 at 05:36 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Larry Julian Goracke.*



March 26, 2018 at 03:25 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Larry Julian Goracke.*



March 26, 2018 at 02:32 PM



“ *Susan and girls,
I have always loved that your family was one with so much love, both for each other and for other people. I so remember the pride on Larry's face as he talked about his daughters, and how hard he worked to make sure they could attend all of those crazy volleyball tournaments. Your family has been an inspiration, and we just hate that you have to deal with the loss of such a special person far too soon.*

May God give you peace and love, and may your heart be filled with wonderful memories. You all are loved and supported by so many of us and we are here to help in any way that we can.

Richard, Michelle and Kristi

M. Michelle Bono - March 26, 2018 at 01:58 PM

SG

Thank you Michelle

Susan Goracke - April 22, 2018 at 05:37 PM

AC

“ *Adams Lifegroup and Northwoods Baptist Church purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Larry Julian Goracke.*



Adams Lifegroup and Northwoods Baptist Church - March 26, 2018 at 12:17 PM

MS

“ *MELODE SMELKO purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mr. Larry Julian Goracke.*



MELODE SMELKO - March 26, 2018 at 12:09 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Larry Julian Goracke.*



March 26, 2018 at 11:43 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Larry Julian Goracke.



March 26, 2018 at 11:24 AM



“ Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Mr. Larry Julian Goracke.



March 26, 2018 at 09:57 AM



“ My heart hurts for Susan, Jordyn, Julia, and Jenna. I know he loved them dearly and the girls adored him. I loved seeing him at the girls volleyball games, as he never missed their matches. I know he will be with them in spirit. I pray the family may find peace. They are all in my thoughts and prayers and to know that I love them dearly and will pray for them to find peace and joy in the coming days.



Love and peace,
Jess Mullenix

Jessica Mullenix - March 26, 2018 at 08:48 AM



Thank you Jess

Susan Goracke - April 22, 2018 at 05:37 PM

CH

“ Our love and prayers go out to all of the Goracke family. Larry, Susan and the girls have all had a special place in our family. It has been a great blessing that God has brought us together and allowed us to become the friends we are today. To my sweet girls, I love you and will always be your Aunt!! We are praying for all of you. Much love, The Healy Family

Cathy Healy - March 25, 2018 at 09:16 PM

SG

Thank you Cathy, you've been such an angel through all of this.

Susan Goracke - April 22, 2018 at 05:38 PM