



Wendell H. Sawyer

February 8, 1951 - June 18, 2020

A love of faith, family, celebration, and togetherness. These were the cornerstones of Wendell Sawyer's life. A man who didn't need elaborate vacations, or extensive plans. He was happiest to be gathered with his family at the beach, everyone together. He'd rather this than be anywhere else in the world.

Wendell loved life's simple pleasures. A late-night walk with the love of his life, a slice of pizza at the State Fair, knowing which gas station had the best prices in town. Relishing in the knowledge that he'd found a bargain.

But it's storytelling that best defines him. A remarkable ability to store information away from his day-to-day life, holding tales close to his heart, and waiting to share them with others. A symphony of joyous laughter, erupting from a man thrilled to tell you about a bizarre encounter, a weird moment, or something he knew you'd find interesting. Wendell touched everyone who came into his orbit, leaving them feeling warmer, and more special than before meeting him.

Wendell's wife Debbie, his loving children Mary Ann, Dottie, Cathy, Wendell Jr, Sally and Becca, his nine grandchildren and his in laws, thank you for joining us to remember and commemorate a man who embodied joy.

We love you Wendell.

Cemetery

Forest Lawn Cemetery

3901 Forest Lawn Drive

Greensboro, NC, 27455

Comments



“ I was a client of Wendell Sawyer's on a few occasions. After paying one too many speeding tickets I decided that the temptation for speed and rush was no longer worth it, but on today I called his office seeking a referral for family law and was informed that Attorney Sawyer had passed last year. After receiving a referral I had to say what was on my heart to the person in the office that answered my call. I spoke of the respect and trust I have for Attorney Sawyer. I found myself in total shock and sobbing on the phone as i spoke of his character. That says a lot. Someone that the world would simply define as a lawyer who represented me in the court of law, but yet left an impression on my heart. May his beloved family continue to be comforted and may Attorney Sawyer rest well.

Karen M. Ingram

Karen M Ingram - February 23 at 11:00 AM



“ Percy Price lit a candle in memory of Wendell H. Sawyer



Percy Price - October 15, 2020 at 04:54 PM



“ I was going to call Wendell today to see how he was doing. Saw the very sad news. We started out in law school at U.of Arkansas. I met him the day before class started and asked him where he went to college. When he said Guilford College and I said Greensboro, NC? he asked how I knew. My whole family grew up in Greensboro but my parents moved to SC when I was 6 years old. I spent much time in Greensboro with family. I was able to transfer back to USC law school after one year in Arkansas. Wendell was my best friend for that first year. I was homesick and was going to quit law school and go back to SC when that day he happened to show up at my apartment and talked me out of leaving. I have had a great career as a lawyer in Columbia SC and owe this dear friend the fact I stayed in law school. He was warm, friendly, smart and logical. I'll always remember him. Garry Wooten Columbia SC 10-8-20

Garry Wooten - October 08, 2020 at 10:56 AM



“ Dearest Debbie and family,
What sad, sad news we received yesterday. Please know that we are praying for you by name as you grieve the loss of this wonderful man.
What we remember best about Wendell is his sense of humor. Over the 38 or so years of our acquaintance, we received many, many emailed jokes or funny, usually political, articles from him; so much so that whenever we see an amusing cartoon or meme, we automatically say, "We have to send this to Wendell." Who will we send them to now? Wayne wonders to whom he can send his favorite lawyer jokes. We also cherish the memory of Wendell's infectious laugh, which rang out often. We could not help but laugh along with him, even if we didn't know what he was laughing about.
Wendell, we wish you much joy and laughter in your Heavenly home. See you soon!
Wayne and Virginia Hinson

Virginia Hinson - June 26, 2020 at 02:05 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Wendell H. Sawyer.



June 26, 2020 at 08:34 AM



“ Wendell was one the most funny and caring people that I ever had the pleasure of knowing... We had a special kind of bond, and I appreciate that.

RIP, and thanks for never caring what people thought of how nice you were to your crazy cousin. That's so rare.

Travis Oakley - June 25, 2020 at 09:18 PM