



Craig Michael Burgess

August 15, 1944 - January 5, 2023

Memorial Services for Craig Michael Burgess who passed away with family at his side in the early morning hours of January 5th, 2023, will be conducted this Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock from the Posey Funeral Chapel.

Craig was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota on August 15th, 1944 to Mitchell and Kathryn Burgess. His family lived in Clinton, Iowa for a few years before settling down in Aiken, South Carolina. He answered the call to serve his country during the Vietnam War and joined the United States Marine Corps. He obtained the rank of corporal and was awarded a National Defense Medal, Vietnamese Campaign Medal, Presidential Unit Citation, Rifle Marksmanship Badge, and multiple Purple Heart Medals. He graduated from the University of South Carolina with a Bachelor of Science in both Chemistry and Biology. He remained a fervent Gamecock fan for the rest of his life. While at USC he met Iris Gwendolyn Teal and they married on January 22nd, 1972. They were married for 32 years until Iris passed away in 2005. Craig worked as a Plant Manager for both the Graniteville Company and the Milliken Company for many years. Craig had a deep and abiding love of nature and all outdoor pursuits, particularly hunting and fishing. He was always at his happiest when he was in the great outdoors. He was a long-standing member of the CNT Hunting Club, amongst whose members he will be sorely missed.

He is survived by his two daughters, Catherine Kjarstie Burgess Puetz (Joe)

and Kristina Teal Burgess Armstrong; his grandson Joseph Puetz II and granddaughter Gabrielle Puetz; his sister Lynn Pope (James); his sister-in-law Rose Burgess (Tam); his brother-in-law Dennis Teal (Catherine); his brother-in-law Beler Boswell(Teresa) his nieces and nephews Erik Pope, Ann Booth, Bethany Paetow, Bart Boswell, Brooks Boswell, Stuart Teal, and Kelly Teal; his pets Randolph, Chester, Coco, and Maggie; as well as his many beloved friends.

Honorary pallbearers will be Joseph Puetz, Joseph Puetz II, Russell Todd, Steve McLaughlin, Dennis Teal, Isaac Rodgers, Kevin Cullum, Erik Pope, and Carl Brack Jr.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the SPCA Albrecht Center for Animal Welfare at letlovelive.org

Previous Events

Private Family Services

JAN 6 (ET)

Posey Funeral Directors
1307 Georgia Avenue
North Augusta, SC

Tribute Wall



“ *Posey Funeral Directors created a Webcast in memory of Craig Michael Burgess*



Posey Funeral Directors - January 14, 2023 at 08:20 AM



“ *Hello to Craig's family. My condolences to you all. Craig was part of our Marine Corps Rockets Team in VN. The team consisted of Bob Daignault (dec'd), Louis Yobbi (dec'd), Floyd Taylor, Gary Vondran and myself Cliff Muehlenberg. I believe Vondran is alive. Like others, his was the first Christmas card to arrive always the day after Thanksgiving. He was a welcomed light in a very dark part of our lives. He was a good friend to have in those circumstances. God bless you all.*

-- Cliff

Cliff Muehlenberg - March 24, 2024 at 02:53 PM



“ *Craig Michael Burgess*

October 06, 2023 at 06:29 AM

BS

“ *Bob Spano - Just now heard of Craig's passing. So sorry to hear this. I worked with Craig for many years at Graniteville Company and enjoyed being around him. He was definitely unique and I will miss him. Condolences to his family.*

Bob Spano - January 17, 2023 at 12:03 PM

JR

“ *I was so sad to hear of Craig's passing. I worked with him for many years at Graniteville Company and had the privilege of working with him at Gregg for over a year. His intelligence and wit helped make that time a joy. Our first Christmas card every year was from him and his fur babies, always a reminder of his love of nature. I will miss it and the memories it always brought to mind of our Graniteville Company family. My prayers and condolences are with his family. Jan Randall*

Jan Randall - January 14, 2023 at 02:19 PM

PA

“ *We both worked with Craig for many years at Graniteville Co.-Gregg Division. Condolences and Prayers for his Family and many Friends. Lamond and Donna Annas*

P.Lamond Annas - January 12, 2023 at 01:13 PM

CP

“ 13 files added to the tribute wall



Catherine Puetz - January 10, 2023 at 02:08 PM

VT

“ Vicki Turner lit a candle in memory of Craig Michael Burgess



vicki Turner - January 09, 2023 at 09:05 PM

CP

“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



Catherine Puetz - January 09, 2023 at 07:57 PM

GE

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your family Gentiva

gentiva - January 09, 2023 at 11:06 AM

CB

“ Our condolences go out to the Burgess family. Craig was a long time friend of myself and family. Craig loved the outdoors and hunting. He like critters large and small. He will be missed by all that knew him.

*The Brack Family
Carl, Jean, Carl Jr.*

Carlton Brack - January 08, 2023 at 08:42 PM

CP

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Catherine Puetz - January 07, 2023 at 08:04 PM

BW

“ We are so very sorry for your loss . He was a good neighbor and always helpful after storms. May he rest in peace.

Betty Wilson - January 07, 2023 at 11:16 AM

CM

“ I was deeply saddened to hear of Craig's passing. I am reflecting back over the years I was fortunate enough to work with Craig and call him my friend. To this day, I still have wild turkey feathers in my office, a reminder of Craig and his love of all wildlife (except spiders), hunting and the outdoors....Craig would bring me a feather and put it on my desk each time he "got one", when we were working at Gregg together over 25 years ago. So many memories and so much knowledge I gathered by knowing and having Craig in my life. Praying for comfort and peace for his family.

Carole McFee

Carole McFee - January 07, 2023 at 08:25 AM

CP

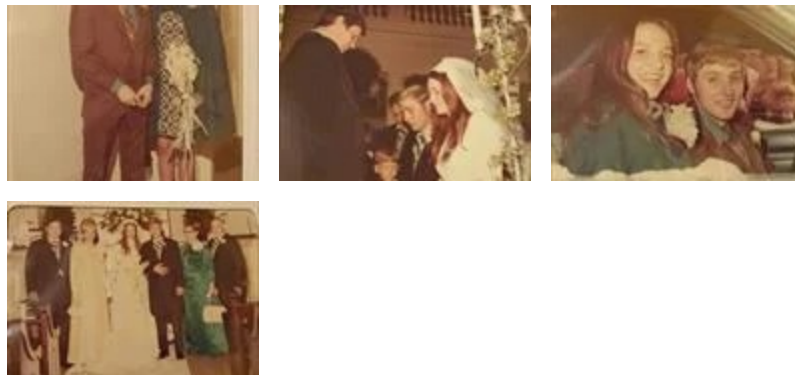
“ Catherine Puetz lit a candle in memory of Craig Michael Burgess



Catherine Puetz - January 06, 2023 at 10:35 PM

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Catherine Puetz - January 06, 2023 at 05:39 PM

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Catherine Puetz - January 06, 2023 at 05:37 PM

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Catherine Puetz - January 06, 2023 at 05:11 PM