



Larry Phillip Loudin

August 16, 1941 - April 27, 2020

Larry Phillip Loudin, age 78, passed away in his sleep on April 27, 2020, after several years of battling Parkinson's disease and congestive heart failure. Father, teacher, coach, and farmer, Larry loved people—especially if they were willing to listen to his stories. A sixth generation West Virginian, he grew up on and farmed the land his ancestors settled in French Creek. A math teacher at Buckhannon-Upshur Middle and High Schools in WV as well as Socastee Middle, Forestbrook Middle, and the Horry County Education Center in SC, he touched the lives of countless young people. Over his teaching career in Huntington, WV, Buckhannon, and Conway, SC, he coached cross country, golf, basketball, and wrestling. Larry enjoyed yard sales, auctions, buying and selling antiques, listening to his vast record collection, hunting, and collecting guns. But most of all he enjoyed a good laugh with friends and family.

Larry was the proud father of three children—David Loudin (Jessica) of Conway, SC; Sarah Thomas (Jim) of Asheville, NC; and Daniel Loudin (Janet) of French Creek. He was also Pawpaw Larry to Hannah, Jessie, Joshua, Chelsea, Katie, and Olivia.

Per his wishes, Larry is being cremated and his ashes spread on the family farm in French Creek.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be made to Black Mountain Home for Children at 80 Lake Eden Road, Black Mountain, NC 28805 or online at www.blackmountainhome.org/donate.

Comments



“ Larry and I were friends from 1st grade on until he left this world. He was definitely one of the most intelligent folks in our BUHS, as demonstrated by his coaching several sports, none of which he played in HS, or college, as far as I know. Larry's sense of humor and bucket of tales never ran low, and were inevitably part of his personality. I--and most folks--enjoyed Larry a lot, and are thankful we had the pleasure of knowing him all these years! He was one of those people who enriched the environment around him for everyone who came into his circle--a circle big enough for everyone!

Thanks, Larry, for just being who you were! We are all better off having known you!

Your ol' friend,
Noel Blankenship, (professor emeritus, Kent St Univ.)

Noel Blankenship - May 12 at 11:37 AM



“ I have many memories of Larry over the years that we taught together and when he coached. And afterward as well. I always liked him and you kids. Sarah we spent many good times in the hospitality room! The last time I saw him he was walking around the block from Victoria Manor and I was coming out of the Baptist church. We had a nice conversation and I was encouraged to see him doing so well. I'll always remember him with a smile on his face, and I'm so sorry for your loss. You kids keep in touch when you can!

Hallie Hurst

Hallie Hurst - May 09 at 04:29 PM



“ So sorry for your lost. Loved having him for homeroom in junior high. Always just a positive loving person. Was lucky to have him as a teacher and a role model.

John P, Leary - May 05 at 05:06 PM



“ Condolences to all. I was saddened to learn of Larry's passing. We enjoyed working with him at BU as well as the pleasure of having his kids in school.

Jane Brady - May 01 at 10:46 AM



“ To all the family,

I remember a wonderful dinner out in the back yard at the Conway house. Sarah had cooked up a storm and Larry was in rare form, dispensing whiskey and wisdom equally. We had a lot of laughs that night, some singing (there were people who could sing present—Paul Rice and Brian Nance) but mainly lots of stories and there Larry led the way. Rest In Peace dear Larry.

Nelljean Rice - April 30 at 09:34 AM



“ I love that you remember that evening! Dad WAS a jolly host!

Sarah - April 30 at 04:36 PM



“ So sorry to hear of your families loss prayers for peace and Comfort at this time. Your father was a wonderful man and a joy to be around.

Paul Hanline - May 05 at 08:00 PM



“ Dear David, Sara, Daniel & families, Just a note to tell you how shocked and saddened Pat and I were when Daniel called to give us the news of Larry's passing. He was a dear friend as a teaching and coaching colleague at B-UHS for many years. He always invited Steve and me to hunt on the farm which we did. His dog "Fred", dragging out deer, etc.. and the stories were priceless. So many memories too numerous to mention here. The few times I spent with him after he became ill are sweet to remember. Thoughts, prayers and sincere condolences coming your way this week. Best wishes & Godspeed, Jim & Pat

Jim & Pat Marsh - April 29 at 09:21 PM



“ Oh Fred! He loved Dad almost as much as me.

Sarah - April 30 at 04:37 PM



“ I hardly know what to say, except that I am so sorry for your loss. I have many childhood memories of Uncle Larry that I will always cherish. I hope you can all come together somehow to celebrate his life and provide comfort for each other. Peace be with you always! Much love to you all.

Susan Maruca - April 29 at 08:08 PM



“ We'll be together Saturday at the farm to do something memorable with his ashes. Wish you could be there! Miss you!

Sarah - April 30 at 04:38 PM



“ A wonderful man and friend to my dad Charlie Shaffer. Praying for comfort for you all. Truly sorry your loss.

Charlene Shaffer Dean - April 29 at 06:59 PM



“ I remember your dad well. The way the two of them would talk politics!

Sarah - April 30 at 04:39 PM



“ I have no words to express my feelings and thoughts. May he rest in peace on the family farm.

Terry Loudin - April 29 at 05:56 AM



“ Thanks, Terry.

Sarah - April 29 at 09:35 AM



“ Cathy Huffman Bonner lit a candle in memory of Larry Phillip Loudin



Cathy Huffman Bonner - April 28 at 10:59 AM



“ Our heartfelt thoughts and prayers are with all the family at Larry's passing.

Kenny and Kay Wilson - April 30 at 01:59 PM



“ My name is Sue Petonick and my mother is a resident at Serenity. I met Larry about 2 years ago and as a retired teacher/administrator we immediately had a bond. I went to say hello a few times after he returned from his fall. I am so sorry for your loss! He sure did have interesting stories & often I could match them

Sue Petonick - April 28 at 10:51 AM



“ I'm so glad you struck up a friendship! He loved interacting with people and especially loved telling stories. Thank you.

Sarah - April 28 at 04:00 PM



“ Coach Loudin taught me how to face adversity when no one has faith in you. Coach me my Senior year in wrestling. He is a good man.

Lorne Elli - April 29 at 11:25 AM



“ Lorne--he still told stories about you! You were always one of his kids.

Sarah - April 29 at 03:56 PM



“ Sending prayers for peace and comfort to Larry's family and friends.



Beverly Zickefoose - April 28 at 10:44 AM



“ Karen A Woody lit a candle in memory of Larry Phillip Loudin



Karen A Woody - April 28 at 09:36 AM



“ From Larry's family at Serenity Care Home. We will miss Larry's singing and his laughter.

Karen A Woody - April 28 at 09:39 AM



“ Thanks for your wonderful care.

Sarah - April 28 at 10:07 AM



“ Dear Sarah, you are in my thoughts and prayers. I smile remembering that Larry was able to attend our BUHS High School Reunion. Thank you for starting the chain that made this happen. Blessings. Betsy Ross

Betsy ross - April 29 at 02:32 PM



“ Kay Lower lit a candle in memory of Larry Phillip Loudin



Kay Lower - April 28 at 05:22 AM



“ Prayers and condolences to the friends and family of Mr. Loudin. I remember him from high school at Buckhannon-Upshur. He was always nice.



Carol J Dean - April 28 at 04:49 AM



“ We are SO sad But KNOW God saw to take him to Heaven in his quiet & peaceful way. Words will never be enough to speak of Larry~What a wonderful, caring & compassionate man. He put a smile on the faces of many in their darkest days even though he was not well himself. Will never forget how he helped my Aunt Mary Armentrout during some rough times in Assisted Living~He sang to her each & every day! Many memories of him leading a few residents singing hymns on the porch in the summer. We will miss you, Brother Larry..until we see you again. You touched many more lives than anyone can count! Prayers for the whole family & especially to Sarah-
whom we have grown to love & cherish! God Bless you all!



Teresa & Jerry Teter - April 28 at 12:06 AM



“ So sorry to hear about Larry our thoughts and prayers are with you all

Patty Jougras - April 27 at 09:32 PM



“ So very sorry for your loss. You all are in our thoughts and prayers.



Nelson and Rhonda Harlow Suder - April 27 at 09:07 PM



“ I'll never forget him he was my math teacher in 79 my best math teacher ever.prayers going out to your family,your in my thoughts and prayers .

cheryl Romo - April 27 at 09:24 PM



“ Margaret And Jesse Gregory lit a candle in memory of Larry Phillip Loudin



Margaret and Jesse Gregory - April 27 at 08:35 PM



“ Patty Gregory lit a candle in memory of Larry Phillip Loudin



Patty Gregory - April 27 at 07:27 PM



“ So very sorry to hear of his passing, I remember him coming to a lot of auctions that I conducted. Prayers of peace and comfort in the coming days.

Teresa Kee - April 27 at 05:58 PM