



# Kamal Mahmoud Jarrah

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**F**LAGLER BEACH, FL - On Tuesday, October 22, 2019, Kamal Mahmoud Jarrah, loving husband and father of two sons, died peacefully at the age of 69. He died of complications from pneumonia.

Kamal was born in Damascus, Syria on December 25, 1949 to Mahmoud and Muzaian (Al-Zifari) Jarrah. A Palestinian, he grew up in Amman, Jordan, the sixth of seven children. Kamal immigrated to the United States in 1978, eventually moving from New Jersey to Lakeland, where he met his wife, Laurie, on a blind date when they each worked at Davy McKee. Over his career, Kamal worked as a maintenance supervisor and oversaw the production of blueprints in various engineering firms, including for many years at Jacobs Engineering Group.

Kamal raised his family in Lakeland for 30 years. He traveled widely, loved cooking and fishing, and cherished time at home with friends and family. In retirement, Kamal enjoyed painting and crafting stained glass. Kamal was known for his good cheer, willingness to befriend anyone, openness to others, and support for a progressive society.

Kamal was preceded in death by his mother Muzaian (Al-Zifari) Jarrah, father Mahmoud Jarrah, and brothers Ismat, Salim, Riyadh, and Adnan Jarrah. He is survived by his wife of 37 years, Laurie (Bullen) Jarrah of Flagler Beach, FL; son Sami (Jonathan) of Philadelphia, PA; son Zaki (Jeanelle) Jarrah, of Flagler Beach, FL; and sisters Rawda (Tawfik) Saleh and Hala Jarrah, each of Cairo, Egypt. He had one grandson, Finn Lucio Jarrah, son of Zaki and Jeanelle Jarrah.

Kamal's family will receive friends and family on Monday, October 28, 2019, from 1:00 to 2:00, with a memorial at 2:00, at Gentry-Morrison Southside Chapel, 1727 Bartow Rd., Lakeland. He was buried in Lakeland. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Kamal's memory to the National Kidney Foundation or the Florida Democratic Party.




# Events

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## Visitation

 **Monday**, October 28, 2019

 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM ET


 **Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes - Southside Chapel**

1727 Bartow Road, Lakeland FL 33801



## Memorial

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 2:00 PM ET

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## Tribute Wall

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**Sami Jarrah** shared an album called **Kamal Jarrah**.



November 19 at 11:56 AM



**Vicki Bucy** posted:

Laurie, Sami and Zak, I am so sorry to hear about Kamal's passing. He was a terrific father, wonderful husband and great friend to all. I hold all of you in my heart with prayer.

November 1 at 8:29 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Jarrah family.



October 27 at 7:52 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Jarrah family.



October 25 at 10:30 PM



**Vanetta Abdellatif** posted:

Sami and Laurie, I am so very sorry to hear about Kamal's passing. He was a warm light and fought very hard to stay with his family. I feel so privileged to have met him a couple of times. My prayers for your family during this very sad time.

October 25 at 6:52 PM



**Nasim Sahoury** lit a candle in honor of Kamal.



October 25 at 4:03 AM



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**Lynn Austin** posted:

Remembering all the kindness, love, and understanding from the most gentle spoken man. Loved his cooking. Was such a sweet soul when playing with my son. Will miss his smile. Our thoughts are with you and your sons Laurie. Prayers & Love... Pat, Lynn & Michael Austin

October 24 at 5:33 PM



**Vincent E Leon** posted:

My deepest heart felt condolences to Laurie, his sons and family. Seldom in life does one meet someone as caring, loyal and special as Kamal. Rest in Peace by very dear friend. You will be greatly missed. Vincent E Leon

October 24 at 2:39 AM



**Brenda Cruise** posted:

We would like to extend our deepest condolences to all the family and friends of our friend Kamal. He was a gentle, caring soul whose friendship we greatly treasured. May he rest in peace and may God grant comfort to all who mourn him. Refaat and Brenda Cruise Boulos

October 23 at 5:16 PM



**Kathie Showerman** posted:

Kamal was a sweet, honorable man. He and Laurie raised two sons, welcomed their mates, and a sweet grandson. He loved to cook, served food that we all loved. His quiet ways were perfect. We remember many holidays together with our parents. Memories are a great thing to have. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family. Ralph & Kathie Showrrman

October 23 at 5:00 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Florist Choice Bouquet to the Jarrah family.



October 23 at 4:36 PM



# Media

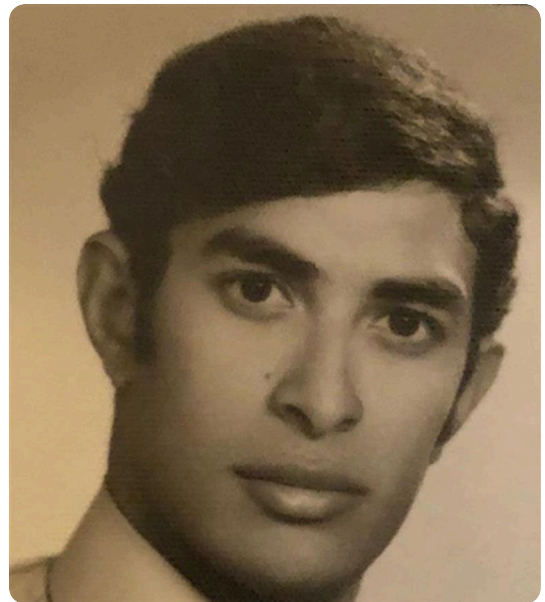
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Sami Jarrah shared 8 photos to the **Kamal Jarrah** album.

November 19 at 11:56 AM

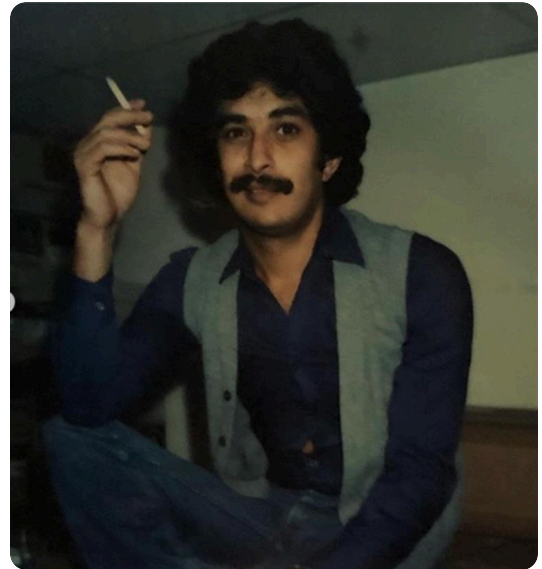
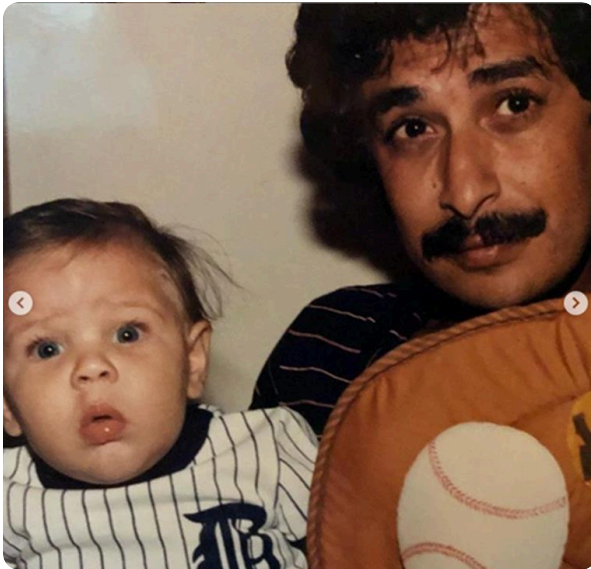




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## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Kamal by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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