



Lee Tamplin Ziegler

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Lee Tamplin Ziegler passed away unexpectedly on June 25, 2022, he was 60 years old.

Lee was born on August 28, 1961 in Sarasota, Florida and lived most of his life in Lakeland, Florida. Lee graduated from Lakeland High School and attended Georgia Military College in Milledgeville, Georgia. He served in the U.S. Army and was stationed in Texas, Germany, and in Saudi Arabia during Desert Storm.

Lee is survived by his brother Clark Ziegler, sister Mary Ziegler, brother-in-law Bruce Bohanon, nephews Justin Ziegler and Christian Ziegler, and niece, Lauren Ziegler. "Poppa Lee" is also survived by his extended family, Susan Alfonso; children Wendy (Mark) Messer, Christine (Bo) Smith, and CJ Smock; and grandchildren Jacob Smith, Hunter Smith, Christopher Smith, and Dakota Smock. Lee was preceded in death by his parents, Floyd and Linnie I. Ziegler.

Lee was a kind and generous spirit who was loved by all who knew him. A celebration of life will be held on Saturday, July 9 at 11 am at Gentry-Morrison Funeral Home, 1727 Bartow Road, Lakeland, Florida.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Stroke Association.



Events

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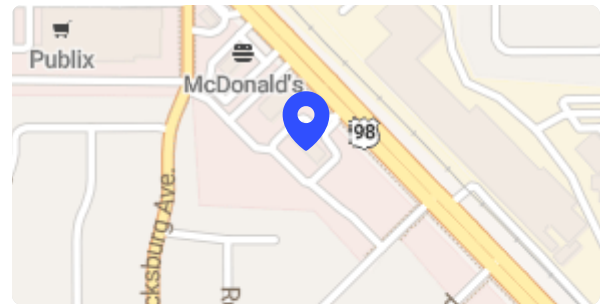
Celebration of Life

 **Saturday**, July 9, 2022

 11:00 AM ET

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

1727 Bartow Road, Lakeland FL 33801





Tribute Wall

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Anonymous sent a Magnificent Life Spray to the Ziegler family.



July 7 at 9:43 AM



Susan Alfonso lit a candle in honor of Lee.



July 7 at 9:23 AM



Susan Alfonso July 7 at 9:34 AM

Even though we were no longer married, Lee was very special to me. I loved him dearly. I couldn't have asked for a better man to be a father to my children and grandfather to my grandchildren. He was my best friend. We were always there for each other, no matter what. I miss him very much and always will. We will meet again one day.



Wendy Messer lit a candle in honor of Lee.



July 5 at 12:32 PM



Wendy Messer posted:

I must say that I have been blessed to have a few great father figures in my life, and Lee is definitely one of them. He has been a part of our family since he and Mom got together. Even though they divorced, he has still been a super important part of our lives. He has been a Dad to us, and a Poppa to all the kids, and a friend and confidant to our Mom. He enjoyed all of the family get togethers. I think he especially loved Father's Day. We all looked forward to our annual Fred's breakfast. I believe we made him feel special and loved just by having breakfast together. He loved the cards and gifts also :) He is truly a wonderful man and our hearts are all broken. There is a huge hole at the moment. But I plan to see him in Heaven when it's my turn to go and what a wonderful reunion that will be!!! I love you Lee. Say hey to your Mom and Dad and Leona for us Wendy

July 5 at 12:32 PM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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