



Arthur Thomas Brooks

October 28, 1931 - March 8, 2018

Arthur Thomas Brooks, 86, of Apex, North Carolina peacefully passed away on March 8, 2018 at Transitions LifeCare in Raleigh. He was born on October 28, 1931 in Mt. Kisco, New York to John and Alicia (O'Brien) Brooks. Arthur was a proud husband to his wife Barbara (Smith) for 58 years, and the proud father to his 4 children: Anne Elizabeth, Joseph Edward, Allison Mary, and Matthew Robert. He was a proud grandfather to Amanda Kristine, Danielle Marie, Abbey Marie, and Jordan Ashlee. He was preceded in death by 5 brothers: Bill, Bub, Matt, Jack, and Hunk and is survived by his youngest brother, James. Arthur was friends to many people and could make the room laugh with his presence. He was a proud Army Veteran where he served his country in the Korean War and was a very faithful and devout Catholic that cherished every moment of his life. Art was number 6 in a Family of 7 boys. He grew up in a small town in NY. 30 miles from NYC. Because of the size and appetite of the boys all of them worked part time jobs at Mr. O'Boyle's small grocery store down the hill. All 7 of the boys worked there while they attend school. Art had a strong work ethic that he instilled in and passed on to his 4 children.

Art graduated from St. Mary's High School in Katonah, New York. After his service in the Army attended and graduated from Iona college in New Rochelle, New York. His Catholic education, from primary school through college-enhanced his faith and gave us the man he grew to be.

He spent many days volunteering for the Rex Wellness Center, and by serving as a Eucharistic Minister in the local hospital. He will surely be missed, but never forgotten. He has touched the lives of many and is the best husband, dad, grandfather, and friend that one could ever hope for. We are all truly blessed to have had him in our lives, and we look forward to the day we meet again.

Funeral Mass will be at St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church on Wednesday, March 14, 2018 at 11:00am with Military Honors. Inurnment will follow in St. Andrew The Apostle Catholic Columbarium. The family will receive friends in the Fellowship Hall immediately following ceremony.

Cemetery Details

St. Andrew The Apostle Catholic Church

3008 Old Raleigh Rd
Apex, NC 27502

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

MAR 14. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Barbara, I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Much love Patti Giroux*

Patricia Giroux - March 17, 2018 at 10:47 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Arthur Thomas Brooks.*



March 13, 2018 at 11:48 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Arthur Thomas Brooks.*



March 12, 2018 at 10:40 PM

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“ *So sorry for your loss. I knew Art from water aerobics at Rex. He always had a smile and a kind word. Plus a few jokes! He was very sweet and thoughtful to me 16 years ago when I lost my son. I will always remember him fondly.*

Joanne Schrieber

Joanne Mozer Schrieber - March 12, 2018 at 01:44 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Arthur Thomas Brooks.*



March 11, 2018 at 07:09 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Arthur Thomas Brooks.*



March 10, 2018 at 03:02 PM

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“ *Dear Barb, Anne, Joe, Allison & Matt: Artie was the greatest, always there with a warm smile and a joke. I'm sure his band of brothers were there to receive him, and they'll be keeping an eye on us all. Deepest sympathy & much love, Alicia Brooks Waltman*

Alicia Waltman - March 10, 2018 at 12:56 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Arthur Thomas Brooks.*



March 10, 2018 at 12:40 PM

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“ *Barbara and family my thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. Art enjoyed water aerobics at Rex Wellness Center and had many friends. Sorry I can't attend service as leaving for Colorado in morning.*

*Sincere Condolences,
Bob DuMortier & David*

Bob DuMortier - March 09, 2018 at 08:04 PM