



Carl Griffith Pemberton III

October 2, 1956 - July 19, 2025

The family of Carl Griffith Pemberton III of Greensboro, North Carolina is deeply saddened to announce his passing on July 19th 2025 at his home in Raleigh, North Carolina. Carl will be missed immensely by his loved ones.

He was born to Carl Pemberton Jr and Ruby Lorene Wood on October 2, 1956. Carl is survived by his two sisters Cathy Pemberton and Cindy. He was married to Laurel Ann Kelly for 27 years. They had two children, William Blake Pemberton and Julia Wood Markovich, and two grandchildren, Lucas and Margot.

Carl had a long career as a contractor and electrician in North Carolina, and later with the State Department working internationally. However, he was more proud of completing his Masters of Theology from Saint Joseph's College in 2019. Afterwards, he spent time volunteering with hospice and as a chaplain, providing solace to patients and families.

Carl was always curious and looking for new adventures. In his younger years he was a certified SCUBA diver and a licensed glider pilot. Later, he dove into a multitude of interests such as beekeeping, theology, and pickleball. In retirement, Carl had started traveling again, and had recently completed a longtime goal to see Machu Picchu with his partner Barbara.

But more than anything in life, Carl loved spending time with his children and grandchildren. He would always be there at a moment's notice to go see a movie, help with repairs around the house, or play silly games with Lucas and Margot. Carl was a kind and gentle person, and his family and friends valued every precious moment they had with him.

A memorial to honor Carl's life will be held at Wake Memorial Park on August 3rd at 10:00 AM.

Previous Events

Memorial

AUG 3. 10:00 AM (ET)

Wake Memorial Park Mausoleum
7002 Green Hope School Road
Cary, NC 27519

Tribute Wall



“ *Wake Funeral & Cremation Services, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Carl Griffith Pemberton III*



Wake Funeral & Cremation Services, Inc. - August 03, 2025 at 12:22 PM

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“ *I am Carl cousin from Rockfish. Sandra wood Jones. We had many memories at the lake house, Baden lake. And at the home place, in Rockfish. I am so sorry.
Sending prayers and hugs to family.*

Praying for family.

Sandra Wood Jones - August 11, 2025 at 05:48 PM

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“ *I had the pleasure and privilege of knowing Carl when he lived in Maryland. He was a kind and gentle soul who loved his family deeply. My heart felt condolences to all who loved him.*

Beverly Greenberg - August 04, 2025 at 12:38 PM

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“ *Carl was a person of the deepest integrity, authenticity, and spirituality. I'm blessed to have known him. Tracy Hurley*

Tracy D Hurley - July 31, 2025 at 09:46 PM



“ 78 files added to the album Life Tributes



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