



Roger Gale Wines

May 1, 1963 - September 9, 2021

On May 1st, 1963, in Charleston, West Virginia, a beautiful brown eyed boy was born to Patsy Anne (Parsons) Wines, whom she named Roger Gale. He grew to be a skinny and lanky boy. Nine years later, after a brief stay in Michigan, and after moving to Florida, he became the big brother, superhero, and father figure to his little sister, Kimmy Sue Payton, whose father had passed two days prior to her birth, and in 1972 he returned to West Virginia.

Trying his hardest to put some weight on, he joined almost all the sports teams at Poca High School. Whether it be football (Go Packers), baseball (for which he had a lifetime of love for – Go Braves), wrestling, basketball, or chasing cheerleaders, he tried his hardest to excel. Many years later, whilst going through his yearbooks, it was obvious to all that he excelled at getting his picture placed on every other page.

After a couple of practice marriages, and while stationed in Germany, he met a blue eyed, blond haired, firecracker that went by the name Lisa (Larissa Ingersoll.) After three years, four proposals, and one pcs, she said yes, and in June, 1991, they were finally married. They were stationed at Pope AFB together, and after five years they had a baby girl they named Brittany. Roger, who had the ability to make any fussy baby laugh, thought his baby girl was the most beautiful, most intelligent, most perfect girl to ever grace the face of the earth. A fresh shave, cologne, and dressed in suit and tie, he would attend

sugar water tea parties for two, pinky in the air, and holding conversations with his princess. Years later he was dancing in the living room, learning the latest dance steps, showing her “old school 80’s” dance moves, and doing it all while trying not to break a hip.

15 months after Brittany was born, Roger and Lisa were blessed with a chubby baby boy they named Cody. Now he had a baby boy that was the most handsome, most intelligent, most perfect boy to ever grace the face of the earth. A box of tools, a worker’s mat, and a set of instructions, he would put together Bionicles, teaching Cody the names of tools, and holding conversations with his little prince. Years later he was fighting Orcs, Blood Elves, Tauren, and Goblins, comparing armor, and running raids with his son in the lead, playing World of Warcraft and bonding over computer game violence and gore. Like father, like son.

Lisa was the love of his life. 33 years together, married for 30, through thick and thin, they made it work. He was her rock, her hero, her best friend. She was his stargazer, his cheerleader, his best friend. They were goofy together, acting out Rocky Horror Picture Show, going to little hometown carnivals and beating the carnies at their fixed games, playing “Name That Tune” with their music collection until 4:00 in the morning, watching military movies and picking out all the mistakes. They always held hands when out, even when he was wheelchair bound. Their love was solid and real, held together by respect and understanding, sometimes confusing to the outside world, but perfect from the inside. They were even holding hands at his last breath.

Roger loved his sports. Golfing every weekend with his Air Force coworkers, watching Nascar and rooting for his favorite drivers, first Kyle Petty, later Kevin Harvick, playing shortstop on the squadron softball team, Roger was always in the game. Roger dreamed in ESPN. Lisa was known to opine that if ESPN showed Olympic goat herding, Roger would know all the stats and teams.

Lasagna was his default favorite food, Reese's Peanut Butter Cups his default sweet, Mountain Dew his default soft drink. He took pride in his appearance, never letting himself "go to pot," exercising every other day, and working on his biceps the most, because big biceps made Lisa "swoon."

He loved the military. He took great pride in serving his country, spending 14 ½ years as a crew chief on C-130 Hercules. He was sent as ESTA to the first Gulf war, Desert Storm, in 1990. The "Big Pecker Surf Club" tent held lifelong buddies. Roger, Doc Love, Vince Mitchell, and James Hunter. War was hard, but it was easier with goofy men who played practical jokes while doing laundry with dusty water in buckets and plungers. Although quite often difficult, if not impossible to speak of, the one thing he had no trouble talking about was the friends. The men who supported each other no matter what. Doc, Vince, Jim, he never forgot.

At 57, he was diagnosed with metastatic Stage 4 Pancreatic Cancer. No stranger to difficulties, Roger took it head on. The doctors gave him three months. But, just like everything else that was difficult, he didn't run. He met it head on and fought. He fought for 15 months, valiantly. With Lisa by his side, he went through three separate stages of chemotherapy. He knew that he wouldn't beat the cancer, but he wanted to be there when his daughter got married. And he did. In May of 2021, in full Darth Maul costume, he walked his daughter down the aisle in her Star Wars themed wedding. He danced with his little princess at her wedding.

Roger leaves behind a family that loves him still. He taught his children honesty, integrity, manners, work ethic, and love. He may not have been famous or wealthy, but he will always be remembered by those that loved him, and we are richer for having loved him.

Roger is survived by his wife of 30 years, Larissa. His children; Brittany 26,

and Cody, 25. His mother Patsy, and his sister Kimmy.

The family will accept visitors 5:00 – 7:00pm Wednesday, September 15, 2021 at Chapman Funeral Home, Hurricane WV, where afterwards he will be awarded Military Honors by the USAF and the James E. Marshall American Legion Post #187, Winfield WV.

Anyone wishing to leave a memory online may do so by visiting Roger's tribute page at: www.chapmanfuneralhomes.com

Chapman Funeral Home and Crematory, family owned and operated at, 3941 Teays Valley Road Hurricane WV 25526 is honored to handle Rogers's arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

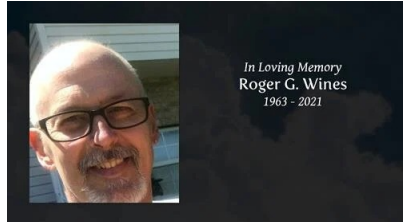
SEP **15**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Chapman Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Roger Gale Wines



Chapman Funeral Homes - September 15, 2021 at 03:52 PM

JG

Sorry for your loss...

Janet Garcia - October 10, 2021 at 04:56 PM

LW

Thank you, Janet. My apologies for taking 2 years to respond. I am capable, finally.

Larissa Marie Wines - January 11, 2024 at 05:43 PM

NA

I miss my friend. :(

Nan - June 12 at 03:33 AM

LW

“ *Hey Big Guy, I miss you. I love you still, always will. Keep watching over us, I can feel your presence. And stop laughing. I'm doing the best I can. Love you Hunny Bunny.*

Larissa M Wines - February 28 at 06:00 PM



“ Roger Gale Wines

October 06, 2023 at 08:41 AM



“ Larissa Wines lit a candle in memory of Roger Gale Wines



Larissa Wines - December 28, 2021 at 02:23 PM



“ Larissa Wines lit a candle in memory of Roger Gale Wines



Larissa Wines - December 23, 2021 at 08:19 PM



“ Larissa Wines lit a candle in memory of Roger Gale Wines



Larissa Wines - November 17, 2021 at 08:45 AM

AL

“ Thinking of you everyday, Lisa. You, Brittany, Cody. Even the dogs! I know you are all missing Roger so much. He surely loved all of you, it is so obvious. I love the pic of him and Cody playing video games on the bed! And Brittany’s wedding pictures! So much love. I am so glad I got to know him, if only a little. Love you all.

Aunt Laurie - November 17, 2021 at 12:29 AM

LW

“ Larissa Wines lit a candle in memory of Roger Gale Wines



Larissa Wines - November 16, 2021 at 06:37 PM

LW

“ Larissa Wines lit a candle in memory of Roger Gale Wines



Larissa Wines - October 04, 2021 at 06:54 AM

SP

“ Shannon Pierson lit a candle in memory of Roger Gale Wines



Shannon Pierson - September 15, 2021 at 12:16 PM

SP

“ I will always remember as that cool older cousin. Roger is 10 years older than me and Kimmy and I grew up like sisters. Roger wasn't around much —always with friends, playing football, etc. but when he was around he was so cool. Funny, good looking, easy-going. I always viewed him with awe, and when I was little had an innocent little crush on him. I will never forget rollerskating and our grandma's basement one afternoon and suddenly hearing a loud booming man voice saying “keep it down!!!” All four of us little kids went scrambling up the stairs, terrified that a man was yelling in the window at us. All the uncles went outside looking around the house and a little while later Roger came out of one of the bedrooms, baffled, wondering what all the excitement was about. When they told him what was going on he started laughing - it was him! He was in the bedroom on a phone call and all of our antics were getting too loud so he told us to keep it down! LOL 😂
After he went in the Air Force, I remember sleeping on the bottom bunk in their shared bedroom with Kimmy and Travis - all three of us squeezed in the twin bed and I remember all of the exotic treasures on the shelves and the wall that Roger had bought while traveling. This only served to increase my sense of awe that I had for my amazing older cousin. Although in adulthood, we had separate lives and didn't see each other much, I am so sad that he's gone and I will always miss him. He leaves behind an amazing family and he will be loved eternally.

Shannon Pierson - September 15, 2021 at 12:15 PM

JF

“ I will always remember our time working and riding together, he always called me "Pops" no matter where we were. He will truly be missed by all, prayers for comfort and peace for the family.
James & Daphine Fields

James & Daphine Fields - September 15, 2021 at 08:48 AM

MT

“ I was saddened to read that Roger has passed away..what a beautifully written obituary! I knew Roger, Patsy and Kimmy when we all lived in Poca in the early 80's. He was a kind, considerate young man who would help you with any thing you needed. While he is no longer with you, his spirit will remain. Our deepest condolences to his entire family.
Miriam (Caldwell) Taylor & (Ret.AF) Major David Taylor

Miriam Caldwell Taylor - September 15, 2021 at 07:41 AM



“ May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time,
May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,

May your memories of Roger Gale Wines, give you peace, comfort and strength...

Rest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete. I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom. You will not be forgotten.
My thoughts
and prayers to the family of

US Air Force Veteran, Roger Gale Wines, is “A True American Hero” God Bless†

† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13 †

Cheryl Skinner, Tri-state Military Museum - September 15, 2021 at 04:59 AM

LW

Thank you. My apologies for taking 2 years to respond. I am capable, finally.

Larissa Marie Wines - January 11, 2024 at 05:32 PM

AM

“ *I don't know this family, but I just wanted to say that this was the most beautifully written obituary I have ever read. Many prayers for strength and comfort for this man's family.*

ashley matney - September 14, 2021 at 10:01 PM

LW

Thank you. I didn't want it to be typical. I wanted the world to know him. My apologies for taking 2 years to respond. I am capable, finally.

Larissa Marie Wines - January 11, 2024 at 05:32 PM

NA

“ *I don't know Roger or any of you, but his tribute touched me deeply. May the fine memories sustain you. I wish I had met him, he sounds like someone right up my alley. Rest easy dear man.*

Nahla - September 14, 2021 at 09:02 PM

LW

Thank you. He was amazing. My apologies for taking 2 years to respond. I am capable, finally.

Larissa Marie Wines - January 11, 2024 at 05:30 PM

DP

“ *I will surely miss Roger, my co-worker and friend for the past fifteen years and other interests we both shared, Both being Air Force and Gulf War vets we could relate a lot of life experiences which made the days at work much easier to bear. Many trips together to New Orleans, Denver and one for the history books Canaan Valley. Time at work seems a little more empty now without Roger . I will miss him -
Rest in Peace my Friend
Dave P.*

Dave Parsons - September 14, 2021 at 02:29 PM

LW

Thank you, Dave. He always thought very highly of you. My apologies for taking 2 years to respond. I am capable, finally.

Larissa Marie Wines - January 11, 2024 at 05:29 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Roger Gale Wines.*



September 14, 2021 at 12:20 PM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Roger Gale Wines.*



September 14, 2021 at 11:42 AM

SP

“ *What a beautiful obituary! It brought tears to my eyes. I'm so sorry for your loss. I served with him at Pope. I definitely remember his love for NASCAR. I think I remember him racing slot cars also. God bless his soul and you, his family*

Sam Parsons - September 14, 2021 at 08:35 AM

LD

“ *What a beautiful obituary* 💜

Laura Dickson - September 14, 2021 at 06:28 AM