



Joseph "Joe" Sommers

September 2, 1954 - May 29, 2021

Joseph "Joe" Sommers, 66, originally from New Jersey, formerly of Palm Beach Gardens, Florida, and most recently of Taylors, South Carolina, passed away at his home on Saturday, May 29, 2021.

A Remembrance Ceremony will be held on June 14, 2021, at 4:00 p.m. at Botany Woods Golf Club, with speakers scheduled at 5:00 p.m. Additionally, a service will be held at The Food Shack, Jupiter, Florida on June 27, 2021, from 2-6:00 p.m. Friends are invited to attend the service of their choice.

Joe was born September 2, 1954, in Jersey City, New Jersey. He graduated from Bound Brook High School in 1972 and attended Rutgers University. Joe married Lin, August 30, 1986, in Houston, Texas. Joe's diverse career began as a commercial diver, and he remained active in the dive industry until 1986. In 1987, he transitioned into his career as an engineer from Florida Crystals Sugar Company and retired from Florida Crystals in 2018. Joe was an avid recreational diver and would head to the water as often as possible. He also enjoyed reading, tinkering with electronic devices, visiting his favorite restaurants with Lin, as well as exploring new places.

Joe is survived by his wife, Lin: three children, Mark Henderson and his wife, Kate of Texas, Julie Calhoun and her husband, Davis of South Carolina, and Kelly Cox and her husband, Doug of South Carolina: nine grandchildren: mother, Ellen Mason of South Bound Brook, New Jersey: sister, Peggy Korodan and her husband, Tom, of Monmouth Junction, New Jersey: brother, Brendon Sommers and his wife, Dawn, of Delaware.

He was predeceased by his father, Jerry Mason and two siblings.

Joe will be remembered and greatly missed by family and his many friends across the country.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, Tennessee 38105.

Online condolences may be made at www.thewoodmortuary.com

Tribute Wall



“ *The Wood Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Joseph "Joe" Sommers*



The Wood Mortuary - June 05, 2021 at 10:11 AM

SL

Fly high Joe We know you are at peace and are looking down at us with an eternal smile. You will be missed

Sandy and Steve Lake - June 08, 2021 at 06:05 PM

DM

Beautiful video, Beautiful couple. Joe, you were a very special person and you will truly be missed. Rest in Peace my friend. ❤️🙏🌹

Dawn Mansur - June 11, 2021 at 09:35 AM

ME

Joe you will be greatly missed. Your intelligence and compassion were obvious to all that knew you.

Mark A. Enslin - June 11, 2021 at 12:38 PM

EH

Beautiful video. When I first met Joe and Lin at Carmines they made me feel that I had known them for years. Joe, I thank you for being you.

Ed Huminick - June 12, 2021 at 06:30 PM

PM

Joe,

We know you are "seeing us" all now as we surround Lin with the same love we have for you. A life well lived, and our privilege to have known such a gentleman! May your memory be eternal.

Paula Starr & Jimmy Melehes

Paula Starr Melehes - June 13, 2021 at 11:08 AM

ST

“ *I am so very sorry to hear of Joe's crossing the bar so many years later. He worked for my commercial diving company in North Carolina for about a year. When he left, he indicated that he was going to attend a school in Texas to become a remote controlled underwater vehicle operator. I wished him well but never heard from him again. Joe's dry wit and humor were appreciated by my crew. I remember on a dam rehabilitation project in the mountains during the winter with 10 inches of snow on the ground, Joe would smile and ask when "the Florida job" was going to begin. We soon started a job on the South Carolina coast at Hilton Head. Joe would say everyday that he was "beginning to thaw out". Joe - calm winds, cold beer, and crystal clear waters to you. Steve Pfaff (USCG captain)*

Steve - July 22, 2025 at 11:32 AM



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The Wood Mortuary - June 05, 2021 at 10:08 AM

PQ

The most interesting man in the world. Love you Joe!

Patricia Quinn - June 09, 2021 at 11:11 AM



“ Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Joseph "Joe" Sommers.



June 03, 2021 at 01:34 PM