



Mr. Conrad Gosheff

September 28, 1933 - April 12, 2013

Capt. (Ret.) Conrad Gosheff flew his last trip west fair of wind and free from turbulence on April 12, 2013. Conrad graduated in 1952 from Plant High School in Tampa, FL and Memphis State College in 1956. He received a Bachelor's Degree in Biology and planned to attend medical school. During college, Conrad worked part-time as a scrub tech in surgery. When the doctors learned he was in AFROTC, they encouraged him to "learn to fly and have fun". By 1958 Conrad was flying KC 135s in the United States Air Force. Eight years later, with an honorable discharge, he joined National Air Lines in Miami. Conrad flew for 12 years as Captain on the 727, Airbus 300 and 310 with National and Pan Am. He retired on the Airbus 310 at Delta Air Lines in 1993. Conrad loved his profession and always looked forward to going to work!

When it became necessary to have a "back-up" career due to airline strikes, Conrad obtained a degree as a Registered Nurse and RN license. He used this knowledge to assist with pilot programs and in-flight medical situations.

Conrad was a charter member of Sigma Chi at Memphis and was honored as a Semi-Century Sig. He served as a Presbyterian deacon, a teacher at SeniorNet, a UCF Sigma Chi alumni member, and OPD First Responder.

A serious illness during the past year did not dampen Conrad's faith,

enthusiasm, optimism, or determination to live and enjoy life. The love he had for God, family, and friends as well as his kindness and sense of humor will always be cherished and remembered. Conrad, wonderful husband and Dad, is survived by wife Diane, daughters Laura Gosheff, Lesae Bradley (Paul), Leslie Gosheff, Hillary Philbrick, and son Jay Philbrick (Kim). His grandchildren are Whit Bradley, Tiffany and Mathew Gosheff, Olivia and Annie Philbrick. He is predeceased by son Timothy Gosheff.

Memorial service is Saturday, April 20, 2013 at 1:30 p.m. at Wekiva Presbyterian Church, 211 Wekiva Springs Lane, Longwood, FL.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to

- National Pancreatic Cancer Foundation (www.pancreaticfoundation.com) or PO Box 1848, Longmont CO. 80502.
- Florida Hospital at www.FloridaHospital.com/Foundation or Mail: 2809 N. Orange Avenue, Orlando, FL 32804.

Arrangements are entrusted to DeGusipe Funeral Home & Crematory, 9001 N. Orlando Avenue, Maitland, Florida 32751. (407) 695-CARE(2273).

Previous Events

Service

APR **20**. 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

Wekiva Presbyterian Church
211 Wekiva Springs Lane
Longwood, FL 32779

Tribute Wall

JK

“ We've lost a true gentleman. I flew as his copilot many times making 10-12 stops a day on the Gulf Coast and he was always thoughtful, positive, and considerate no matter how hot and tired we were. I'm sure he is looking down on us and offering a helping hand in his own wonderful way.

John Kuhs

John Kuhs - April 24, 2013 at 01:51 PM



“ 2 files added to the album Memories Album



DeGusipe Funeral Home & Crematory - April 19, 2013 at 08:13 AM

AM

“ So long, Connie.
I surely enjoyed your friendship as officers of the South Seminole Flying Club. And I regret I did not keep up our friendship. We'll hopefully fly together again, surely on Bigger Wings.
I know Our Lord is smiling at you, for a job well done.
Attilio Di Marco
Longwood, FL

Attilio Di Marco - April 18, 2013 at 10:47 AM

CC

“ Of all the flight crew I woked with, Connie was the BEST...He would always say, "This is Connie Gosheff from the flight deck" and then wait for me to say "and this Connie Charlton from the flight attend. deck" and then he would begin his speech....he always got a laugh out of this....A gentleman, and kind hearted man....friendly and caring...a perfectionist about his job....who could ask for more when it came to a fellow employee to work with and trust....I can only imagine what a wonderful family he has....Bless you all and rest assured you will all meet again. Sincerely, Connie Charlton

connie charlton - April 17, 2013 at 10:02 PM

TC

“ Connie, a truly nice and caring person, whether commanding a flight, involved in nursing, or in general for the concerns of others. He was a personable asset to everyone who has been fortunate to have known him.

Tom Carey

NAL/PAA/DAL

thomas carey - April 16, 2013 at 07:53 PM

TC

“ Thanks Connie for alot of good memories. We hope your Flight West will be smooth. Save us a spot at the pub on the other side. See you there.

Patricia & Terry Crowell

NAL/PAA/DAL

Terry Crowell - April 16, 2013 at 12:28 PM

SM

“ I flew for Connie as his first officer at NAL many times. He was a wonderful, affable and classy guy. My very best to Diane and his whole family!

Scott McEvoy
NAL/PAA/United

Scott McEvoy - April 16, 2013 at 09:22 AM

BW

“ WHAT A GREAT GUY. ALWAYS POSITIVE AND LIKED BY ALL.
Captain Bill Wieteha
nal/paa/dal
This guy gets a free pass into heaven!

bill wieteha - April 16, 2013 at 05:46 AM

CL

“ Connie and I worked together for several years on the ALPA Aeromedical Committee. I spent many very interesting hours with him in that endeavor. His professionalism as a pilot showed up in his dealings with our aeromedical responsibilities. I think of him often when I remember my days at NAL and Pan Am.
Connie will be missed by all who knew him.
Best regards to all his family,
Curt Lewin

Curt Lewin - April 15, 2013 at 07:18 PM

JC

“ He was one of the sweetest most positive people we have ever known. Kindness shown through his eyes. A hug from him was sincere. He was hopeful and brave through his illness. We are so glad he passed away peacefully and is in God's arms. He had the best partner through all of this, Diane. He would not have had such good health and care if it wasn't for Diane. She made sure everything was perfect for him. Diane, you are still his angel :) Judy & Paul Christopherson.

Judy & Paul Christopherson - April 15, 2013 at 01:51 PM

RT

“ Capt. Connie was one of the good guys to fly with and to be friends with. I will surly miss him even though I know that as the Christian he was that he is in a better place now. I flew with him at three different airlines, National, Pan Am, and Delta. One day in the not to distant future I will get to fly with him again in the great beyond of Heaven.

So long old friend.

Bob Thrasher

Robert Thrasher - April 15, 2013 at 11:55 AM

CH

“ Thank goodness we got to see you both at DisneyWorld not long ago. We remember the day well....we enjoyed a delightful outdoor meal and walked and talked and it will be a memory long remembered. Our prayers are with you. Love, Cal & Nancy

Call & Nancy Hawthorne - April 14, 2013 at 04:33 PM

JG

I flew with Connie shortly after being hired at National. What a wonderful man to work with after some of the old school guys. We all must take the final flight west, and i know his will be smooth with clear skies to the gates of heaven. He is missed by many.

Jim Gettys

Jim Gettys - April 16, 2013 at 09:07 AM

TC

Connie was a sincere wonderful individual. We will all miss his friendliness and concern for all, whether it was commanding a flight, his involvement with nursing, or his general outlook. He was a personal asset who will be missed by everyone who was fortunate to have known him.

Tom Carey

thomas Carey - April 16, 2013 at 03:59 PM

SB

*CAPT CONNIE, WAS ONE OF THE NICEST CREW MEMBERS I EVER FLEW WITH. MAY GOD BLESS HIS FAMILY AND GIVE THEM THE PEACE THEY WILL NEED TO GET THRU THIS MOST DIFFICULT TIME. I KNOW HE WILL BE MISSED BY MANY PEOPLE. SHELLEY MOORE BARLOW
NAL 1963 - 1977*

SHELLEY M. BARLOW - April 18, 2013 at 10:28 PM

LB

Hey Connie, Even though you only flew as my copilot a few times with National Airlines, I soon realized that you were a real aviator and a very mannerful gentleman. One of the great things you did for me was to tell me that your Aunt by marriage was my old schoolmate from Pompano, Florida. I was thrilled to find that out and that she lived close by and we spent many happy hours before she passed away recently. I imagine that you and her are discussing us poor folks on earth. You will be missed, Connie, and wish you God speed and blue skies on your trip west. As you already know, we love you and your wife, Diane very much.

LeRoy and Wanda Brown, Saturday, April 20th.

LeRoy Brown - April 20, 2013 at 09:28 AM