



## Craig Van Hooven

December 12, 1955 - July 30, 2024

Craig Van Hooven died peacefully at home on July 30, 2024 in Longwood, Florida at the age of 68, with his wife by his side. Craig is survived by his wife of 47 years, Cerese, and their sons, Christopher Van Hooven and Cole Van Hooven (Alexis), and his precious granddaughter, Violet. Craig is also survived by 2 brothers, Curt Van Hooven (Kathleen) and James Kruger (Donna) of Atlanta and 2 sisters, Cheryl Van Hooven of New York City and Jackie Ellison (John) of Atlanta. He is preceded in death by his mother, Beatrice Kruger (Atlanta), his father George E. Van Hooven (Chicago) and stepfather Gerald S. Kruger (Atlanta).

Craig was born December 12, 1955, in Chicago, Illinois to Beatrice and George Van Hooven. Craig and Cerese were married in Atlanta in 1977 and moved to Central Florida in 1981 when Craig began his sales career with Gulfstream Air. Craig quickly learned to appreciate and love Florida's environment. He and Cerese raised their 2 sons to also respect the natural beauty and lifestyle of Florida. Eventually, Craig founded Van Hooven and Associates from which he retired in 2022.

Craig's funeral mass will be held at Annunciation Catholic Church located at 1020 Montgomery Road in Altamonte Springs on Friday, August 23 at 10 am. All are welcome to attend and celebrate Craig's life.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to C.A.S.T. for Kids Foundation or

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

# Previous Events

## Funeral Mass

AUG **23**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Annunciation Catholic Church  
1020 Montgomery Road  
Altamonte Springs, FL 32714

# Tribute Wall

LF

“ Love, your Liberty Mutual Claims family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Craig Van Hooven.



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**Love, your Liberty Mutual Claims family** - August 22, 2024 at 01:56 PM

TF

“ The Medico Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Craig Van Hooven.



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**The Medico Family** - August 18, 2024 at 08:44 PM

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“ The Hilliard Family lit a candle in memory of Craig Van Hooven



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**The Hilliard Family** - August 18, 2024 at 11:55 AM

KP

“ We are so sorry for your loss, Cerese. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Craig was such a wonderful man and made this world a better place. We feel blessed to have known him. With our Deepest Sympathy - Kathy, Randy and Ally Poole

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**Kathy Poole** - August 17, 2024 at 12:35 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Craig Van Hooven.*



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August 09, 2024 at 07:37 PM



“ *The Schrimpf Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Craig Van Hooven.*

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**The Schrimpf Family** - August 09, 2024 at 06:25 PM



“ *The Schrimpf Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Craig Van Hooven.*



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**The Schrimpf Family** - August 09, 2024 at 06:25 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Craig Van Hooven.*



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August 09, 2024 at 10:31 AM

SV

“ I am truly sorry for the loss of Craig. It is great that you were able to share 47 years together. He will be missed. Very sorry Cerese.



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**Steve Viviani** - August 07, 2024 at 02:19 PM

TF

*Dear Cerese and Family,  
Sending love and healing to all of you. We loved Craig and had such adventures on Rock Lake as we were neighbors for many years. Craig always organized our annual Super Bowl Rock Lake Fish Tournament. What fun we had and all the neighborhood kiddos loved fishing. We got trophies and prizes and always had a delicious spread catered by the Kirkwood Family. Craig was so protective of our little lake and kept it looking good. Our floating dock was a fun time too! Cerese and I had more fun watching the kiddos play in the cul de sac while nursing our newborns. Craig would take a few neighborhood boys fishing often and they always caught lots of fish. We know Craig had a wonderful life and he will continue living eternally.  
The Hilliard Family has many fond memories of Craig and we send love and healing to all. ❤️*

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**The Hilliard Family** - August 18, 2024 at 12:14 PM

JH

*Dear Cerese and Family,  
I am a high school friend of Craigs and was so sorry to hear of his passing. He was always the sweetest and funniest guy, and made everyone feel good. I hope his adult years were wonderful and I am so sorry he is gone so soon. Jean Sullivan Hanson*

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**Jean Sullivan Hanson** - September 24, 2024 at 07:46 PM

SG

“ So very sorry for your loss. We are keeping you all in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Scott and Lisa Gilbert** - August 07, 2024 at 02:02 PM