



Anthony Franklin Page

April 26, 1958 - September 14, 2021

Anthony Franklin Page, 63, of St Petersburg, Florida, passed away on September 14, 2021 in Ft Myers, Florida.

The visitation was held on September 18, 2021 at Gendron Funeral Home. Memorial services to be announced. Arrangements will be handled by Lee Flight, Air Methods, and Lee County EMS.

Tony was born in Hampton Virginia to Harold & Elizabeth (Winbourne) Page on April 26, 1958. He spent many childhood summers with extended family in Wilson, North Carolina. Tony attended school in Hampton, graduating from Kecoughtan High school. Shortly thereafter, he enlisted in the Army, serving four years as a Helicopter Pilot. Tony transitioned into civilian life beginning his career as an EMS pilot for Rocky Mountain Helicopters. He continued to work as an EMS pilot for Air Methods for greater than thirty years. Tony was awarded an Air Safety accommodation for 2000 hours of flying without incident or accident.

He met his fiancée Cheryl O'Neil Gardner in July of 2005 while acting as Lead Pilot for Nicklaus Children's Hospital (formerly Miami Children's) in Miami Florida. Together they raised her four daughters, Lauren O'Neil Loder, Courtney O'Neil Roark, Aubrie Gardner, and Taylor Gardner. He enjoyed offshore fishing, sailing, and traveling outside the US. He also enjoyed

spending time with their grandchildren Kaxenya Loder, Zaklina Loder, and Odin Roark.

Tony was preceded in death by his Grandparents Elmer & Linda (Crumpler) Page, James & Dillie Mae (Williams) Winbourne. Parents Harold & Elizabeth (Winbourne) Page. Aunts and Uncles Margie & Hm Tanner, Lois Ramey, Sonny Boy Page, Jean & Murray Evans, Patricia Kerman, Jean Page, Donnie Page, Bill & Mildred Williams, Bobby & Barbara Winbourne, James Winbourne, Willie Winbourne, and Doug Miller. Cousins Pam Ramey, Steven Winbourne, and Missy Newman.

Tony is survived by his sister and brother-in-law Debbi & Ray Murray. Nephews Ray and Cody Murray. Aunts and Uncles Horace Kerman, Gloria Page, Ray & Julia Page, Phil & Diane Page, Bill & Kathy Page, Clyde & Patsy Page, Dennis & Sallie Page, Zelma Winbourne, Sandra Winbourne, Doris Miller, and Betty & Cecil Baker. Cousins Ernie Lee, Cathy, Linda, Carrol, Jackie, Tonya, Penny, Jimmy, Johnny, Donna, Julie, Jason, Misty, Kelvin, Scott, Keith, Gwen, Paula, Chris, Joe, Carol, Ronnie, Cindy, Pam, Lisa, Cliff, Tammy, James Lee, Wendy, Tami, Debbie, Jimmy, Sheri, John and Valerie.

Memorial donations may be given to the Code Green Campaign and/or Responder Rescue, both support first responders in times of need.

The family of Tony wishes to extend our sincere thanks to ICU doctors and nurses of Gulf Coast Medical center Ft Myers, for their infinite patience, untiring dedication, and compassionate care during his time in the hospital.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **18**. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Anthony Franklin Page

October 09, 2023 at 02:01 AM



“ Anthony Franklin Page

January 28, 2023 at 12:09 PM



“ Tony was a fellow pilot at Leeflight and we only saw each other during shift change. He worked nights when I was on days. One thing that I always enjoyed about shift change with Tony were the conversations we had. Sometimes we were solving world problems, but usually we were swapping pilot stories.. "There I was when....? And Tony Page had many experiences as a pilot that were worth hearing many times! We are going to miss you brother. Fly the heavens like you flew on earth; with great skill and no fear! GC.

Gregg Cicchetto - September 18, 2021 at 10:46 AM

DM

“ On Tuesday night, as I told my brother good-bye, he was standing with them in heaven and they welcomed him with open arms. He will be loved and missed by so many and I know that his work here on earth, as an EMT pilot for hospitals all over the east coast earned him a special set of wings. He lived in Florida for the majority of his adult life and we didn't get to spend much time together. He loved the water as much as our father did, and he loved with his heart, as much as our mother. I will miss him sending me messages on my birthday and mother's day. I will miss our little jokes about working in the tobacco fields growing up. The memories will be in my heart and mind forever of a big brother, who loved to prank his little sister. I think he learned that from our Uncle Jimmy, by the way. One of the last things that I told him, was that we had missed too many holidays together and to give momma and daddy a big hug and kiss from me. A few short hours after his passing, we had dinner at Cracker Barrel, as we were leaving, something caught my eye. He sure worked fast to let me know that even though he wasn't awake during my talks with him, he heard what I had to say. So, I can rest knowing that he sent me the most special message ever. I will love you forever, give them that tight hug of yours and kiss them all for me. Until we meet again.



Debbi Murray - September 18, 2021 at 02:39 AM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Anthony Franklin Page.*



September 17, 2021 at 09:58 AM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Anthony Franklin Page.*



September 17, 2021 at 09:37 AM



“ *4 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Gendron Funeral & Cremation Services Inc. - September 17, 2021 at 09:20 AM



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Gendron Funeral & Cremation Services Inc. - September 16, 2021 at 12:34 PM



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Gendron Funeral & Cremation Services Inc. - September 16, 2021 at 11:31 AM

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“ Tony was my nephew whom I loved very much. When he was around 9 or 10. He would come to my house I Richmond VA in the summer. My brother in-law was about the same age. What a great time we had . As he grew older he spent some of his summer break in N.C. with my aunt and his grandparents. That I can tell you was very hard to work in the tobacco fields as as a young person as I had done also when I was his age. He will never be forgotten. He will be put in a special place in my heart. Until I see him again. Fly high !!

Doris Miller - September 15, 2021 at 08:21 PM

BB

“ Tony is my nephew. I loved him so very much. he took me for a ride in a helicopter him nd his dad went to Pennsylvania to pick up. he said aunt Betty don't have a hangover and get sick in my helicopter. it was an awesome ride. in 1973 when my brother bobby was in the hospital before he died. tony hovered outside his hospital window in the nightingale . The first pilot of the nightingale. I will miss him always. he was very special to me. love you to with all my heart. c u again one day. rest in peace

betty baker - September 15, 2021 at 07:23 PM