



Craig Beaudoin

July 7, 1951 - May 3, 2012

Craig Louis Beaudoin, 60, of Cape Coral, Florida passed away May 3, 2012, after a long, arduous and courageous battle against cancer. He died as a result of complications from Acute Myelogenous Leukemia(AML). He gave the disease one hell of a fight but unfortunately for his loved ones he was needed somewhere else. His time here with us will be cherished, thought of often and most certainly never forgotten. He will be greatly missed by all who were blessed enough to be in his presence.

He was born July 7, 1951 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, the oldest son of Howard and Ann (Erjavetz) Beaudoin. Growing up Craig loved the outdoors and nature, especially the woods and the water. He was a passionate angler with great knowledge of everything that involved fishing, as well as a lover of animals, as shown by the many creatures he had as a young boy. He was an accomplished student throughout his school years, attending Marquette University after graduating from Hamilton High school in 1969. He had a great interest in wartime history and enjoyed the westerns as well. Craig and his brother shared a great love for cars and was the proud owner of many muscle car classics. He often shared wonderful stories of times spent with his brother David, as well as his two sisters Michele and Candy.

From early in his life he worked for the family construction business, HW Beaudoin & Sons. Craig married Denise in 1973 and in the same year would eventually move to Fort Myers, Florida with his family and the business. As one of the owners, he operated and oversaw the completion of numerous projects throughout the SWFL area, ranging in many different aspects of construction.

After his construction days, he ventured into real estate, beginning his career as a Florida realtor with Prudential Florida Realty, and ending it with Coldwell Banker. His wonderful personality, gift-of-gab and genuine tone allowed him to enjoy a successful career selling homes, and received many awards and much recognition among his peers.

Along his journey through life he would become a family man. In August 1980, Craig became a father to son Sean, and then again in January 1985, to son Mathew. He was a dedicated, understanding and loving father to his sons and always put family first. As time passed, he would enjoy the pleasures of being a grandfather to grandson Princeton and granddaughter (his princess)Angelina.

Craig particularly loved the Florida Keys, it was his home away from home. He spent many days on the waters of the upper, middle, and lower keys. He always told of numerous stories about the tackle-busting fish he would reel in, and the days of high adventure in somewhat virgin territory. Craig was meant to be a keys man!

He leaves to cherish his loving memory, 2 sons, Mathew (Crystal) and Sean, parents, Howard (Roseann) and Ann Beaudoin, brother, David (Kathy) sisters, Candy (Terry) and Michele (Tom) Edge, grandson Princeton, granddaughter Angelina, Nephews Christopher Beaudoin (Liz), Kris Small (Vanessa), William Edge (Gia), Kristian Small, Jacob Edge, Nieces Jennifer (Troy), Katy Small

As well as the many friends he so easily made along his journey.

We know he is now our guardian angel and lives with us forever.

Those who knew him will never forget. Thank you for the GREAT times!

WE LOVE YOU SO MUCH AND MISS YOU DEARLY!!

Memorial service will be held at the convenience of the family.

Funeral arrangements under the direction of Gendron Funeral & Cremation Services Inc., 4224 Cleveland Ave, Suite 1, Fort Myers, Florida 33901 239-274-0088. Online condolences may be made at www.gendronfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Craig Beaudoin*

October 09, 2023 at 02:01 AM



“ *Craig Beaudoin*

January 28, 2023 at 12:09 PM



“ *Sean and family,
Heather and I are deeply sorry for your loss. We remember him as a great, funny, and charming guy who took us in when we were in need. He told such a great stories and always had a smile on his face. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Luke & Heather Jones - June 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *so sorry to hear of the loss of craig. too young to pass. i know the love he had for fishing and i bet he is doing alot of it on the other side. the "BIG WALTER" he will catch! i also know that him and our dad steve are playing a mean game of Kissmit. a dice game that they both loved to play & argue over back in the day! our prayers are with you and the rest of the family. lots of great memories & great pictures. respectfully,
deb & dave finley*

debra & david finley - May 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ It is great to see the Love shown to an amazing man. Through stories, pictures and the constant random reminders that surround us Craig Beaudoin will never be forgotten.

As a kid, I was there on the soccer fields where my father and Craig coached, Craig often shouting "pass it to Matt!" followed by "take it yourself Matt!" haha which I'll never forget. I was there for many weekends out on the water, many good times at The Halfway Cafe & Sluggers, part of many baseball games at Beaudoin Field in Island Park and like those times I will be there for the family whatever is needed.

Of course Craig will be greatly missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing him but especially his loving family who helped give him strength to fight such a difficult battle that would completely break a lesser man. Talking to Matt, I know that he fought with all his strength like he would to catch a 400 lb blue marlin off the coast of Marathon Key, but no matter how strong the line how great the angler and how many helping hands are there sometimes the battle is lost. Were not certain why these things happen to such good people but we can rest assured God has plans for his son Craig and he will never fully leave us.

R.I.P

Jason Mahon - May 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ We do not remember days-we remember moments. My brother Craig and I spent our youth exploring the areas we lived in. Turtle, frog and crayfish hunting in numerous creeks. Riding our bikes to Mayfair Mall and Elm Grove and points beyond. Fishing trips with our family and many fishing trips with our Uncle Carl catching bluegills, perch and walleyes too numerous to mention. We spent endless nights playing Sheepshead, Risk and chess. We worked on our cars together. Hurst Olds vs. Trans Am!! Later working in business together and raising our families. The many fishing trips on the river, in the gulf and in the Keys. Nothing ever prepares you for the loss of a loved one but going thru the pictures brings back fond memories and these are the moments to remember. Craig will always be in my thoughts and in my heart. Love you brother!

David Beaudoin - May 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

ME

“ My big brother Craig was the one who taught me to be the lover of nature that I am now! From catching minnows in the ditches in Menonmonee Falls to scoping crabs and baitfish here in Ft. Myers! He loved the water from fresh to salt and all the creatures in and around it! I will never forget the early days from night bridge fishing to trolling the weed lines in the Keys! He loved to be near the water from snorkeling to surf fishing to having drinks at the tiki bar with my husband and I and his boys! His love of cars from his gto's, tr3, rx7s to his vettes! My love of sci fi also is from him to watching the original Thing and making me go out at 2 in the morning and look to the skies to the classic b&w's! He spent time with my friends and I took us miniature golfing to the drive-in and of course fishing! But at night the he had a club that had a skull on it called kukala so when the lights went out watch out ! Those were great memories I will carry forever with me ! He was a great Uncle to my sons from fishing to exploring the beautiful reefs in the lower Keys! My youngest shared a love of history with Craig especially when they playex stratego and monopoly my warrior! I nicknamed him Titan for his courageous battle the fight of fightshe made me so proud to call him my brother! I will forever carry him in my heart forever and ever and will always look to the skies and not because of the Thing!!!! Love u sooo big brother loads!!!!!!xoxox!!!!!!

Michele edge - May 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ We seem to be enduring many losses lately. I did not expect Craig to be among them.

My thoughts are with you Mich, Tom, Willie, Jacob and especially Ann during this difficult time. I love you all so very much.

Liz Bub - May 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM