



Willis Jackson Cox

December 29, 1955 - July 9, 2024

Mr. Willis Jackson Cox, age 68, of Griffin, passed away on Tuesday, July 9, 2024 at Piedmont Hospital in Atlanta.

Mr. Cox was born December 29, 1955 in Atlanta, Ga. He was the son of the late Willis Cox and Inez Johnson Cox Rhea. He retired from the FAA as an Air Traffic Controller. Mr. Cox was a veteran of the United States Navy and a member of Second Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Melanie Cox; children and spouses, Dustin and Stacy Baldwin, Emily Cox, and Elizabeth Berton; grandchildren, Katherine and Nathan Dorton, Kirsten Steger, Kole Baldwin, Natasha Gordy, Elijah Baldwin, Cameron Cox, Allison Wilson, and Lexi Smith; brothers, Richard Cox, Kenneth Cox, Timothy Cox, Roy Rhea, and Johnny Rhea; sister, Bobbie Ann Anderson.

The family will receive friends on Saturday, July 13, 2024 from 10:00 AM until 12:00 Noon at the funeral home.

Haisten McCullough Funeral Home, 1155 Everee Inn Road, Griffin, Ga. 30224 is in charge of arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 13. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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1155 Everee Inn Road
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Tribute Wall

MC

“ Willis was a wonderful person, a good friend and brother in Christ. I loved having him in my Bible Study class! He brought valuable Biblical insight into discussions. I did not find out about his passing until recently. We were on vacation when he passed away. Melanie, we would love for you to reach out to Sharon and Me, so we could talk and catchup. My email is: dmcau79@gmail.com

Mike Craff - August 05, 2024 at 12:51 PM

AH

“ I'm Robert Copeland daughter. Willis always treated me like a daughter. He took me to universal studios for the first time after I graduated high school in 2004. My prayers are with the family.

anna hicks - July 13, 2024 at 11:21 PM

DH

“ As his younger cousin Willis was a positive role model, we spoke some on instant messaging, he loved his Family and was a proud father and grandfather. I am so sorry for your loss and you all will be in my thoughts and prayers 🙏❤️



Diane Hurst - July 13, 2024 at 09:35 AM

EG

“ Willis was a super nice guy and a very good friend

Ernie Grant - July 13, 2024 at 09:17 AM

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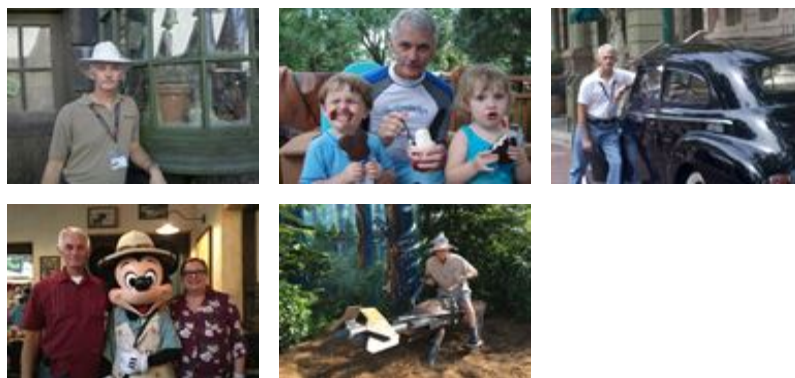
“ Dave Erstfeld purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Willis Jackson Cox.



Dave Erstfeld - July 12, 2024 at 12:06 PM



“ 61 files added to the album Life Tributes



Haisten McCullough Funeral Home - July 12, 2024 at 10:28 AM

FL

“ Friends and Colleagues, at Leidos/NISC purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Willis Jackson Cox.



Friends and Colleagues, at Leidos/NISC - July 12, 2024 at 09:57 AM

MM

“ *My prayers and condolences to the family.*

I remember when I first started FAA, Willis purchased Krispy Kreme donuts every Tuesday morning. I also look forward to the treats. Willis was so kind and generous. He will be truly missed.

From: Michelle in PRG.

michelle Millings - July 11, 2024 at 01:41 PM

JV

“ *We met Willis and Melanie by attending Second Baptist church together for years.*

When I worked at the church as Office Manager/ administrative assistant to the pastor I could always count on Willis to come and help us when we had a computer problem. Willis had a dry sense of humor and a head full of knowledge about high tech. Once I retired I found I could rely on Willis for my own computer problems and he never, never would take any pay for what he did. I had to try to find other ways to repay him by sending him gift cards. Willis was a Christian who knew Jesus and the Bible, a true friend to his friends and loved his family deeply. I know he is in Glory today and for him I am happy. But for us who are still here, my heart is broken..We will miss him very much but confident we will see him again one day. To Melanie and family you all are in our prayers for God peace and comfort.



James & Peggy Varnadoe - July 11, 2024 at 10:44 AM

JW

“ I'm going to miss Willis...a lot! With all we have going on at work, he always had our backs! Thorough and dedicated to doing what was right...and as mentioned, you'd get "that" call... "we have a problem!" Never, "you have a problem!" Dear family, never doubt in your hearts and minds whether he loved you! He spoke glowingly about you and seemed to be at peace and in his happy place with you! We're all going to miss him...he was a blessing in our lives! May God bless you, comfort you all and grant you all life-long memories!

Jon Walker - July 11, 2024 at 07:29 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Willis Jackson Cox.



July 11, 2024 at 07:28 AM

AW

“ Anthony W. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Willis Jackson Cox.

Anthony W. - July 11, 2024 at 07:28 AM



“ I used to enjoy my almost daily conversations with Willis. Mostly, he started them out with "Robby, we have a problem!" and we always were able to find a solution. I always liked the way he spoke about his family and his love of visiting Disney World with his grandkids. He stuck me as being a big kid himself, but I know that it was mostly his excitement of being able to spend such quality time with his family. It was truly a pleasure knowing Willis as a friend and colleague. My thoughts and prayers are with Willis and his family. I am sure the memory of Willis will forever be with us all. God bless and my sincerest condolences.

Robby Myers - July 10, 2024 at 09:16 PM



“ Willis, Carl and I weren't to Nashua for an ATC meeting. We stayed at the Hilton where a guest had a little yappy dog she carried everywhere. literally to include the restaurant and the bar. This is when I had the pleasure of meeting his wonderful wife. We spent a "few" hours that week sipping rum and cokes chatting away. It was just a couple of weeks ago we were laughing about the lady with the dog. In the last 4 years we talked 6 days a week. I will truly miss our Saturday morning chats that usually started "with you are not supposed to be working". I will miss you my friend.

Art Griffenkranz - July 10, 2024 at 08:23 PM

JB

I've known Willis for 18 yrs through a shared granddaughter. His daughter my son. I've had the pleasure of being family as Willis and Melanie opened their family to me. When my husband died 9 yrs ag they were the first ones on the scene. Willis came and took care of his work truck and all that had to be done. They had just treated us to a trip to Disney which my husband had never been. Willis had such generosity and was so willing to help people. He was reserved , a man of few words and very intelligent. The one thing you knew up front about Willis was the fact He loved his family. Melanie was the Apple of his eye. Those grandkids had him wrapped around their fingers. He loved it. He loved his work too. Willis will be deeply missed by all who had the privilege of knowing him.

Janet Birderll - July 11, 2024 at 08:09 AM