



Mr. Laurence Christopher Olson

March 17, 1951 - January 1, 2017

Laurence Christopher Olson, Jr., 65, of Leesburg, Georgia, passed away on January 1, 2017 at St. Joseph's Hospital in Atlanta, Georgia. Visitation will be held on Friday, January 6, 2017, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Friendship Baptist Church, 963 GA Hwy 32 West, Leesburg, Georgia and Funeral Services will be held on Saturday, January 7, 2017, at 2:00 p.m. at Friendship Baptist Church, 963 GA Hwy 32 West, Leesburg, Georgia. Pastors Mark Spraggins and W.A. Bingham will officiate.

Born in Grafton, North Dakota to the late Laurence C. Olson and Margaret Watkins Olson, Laurence graduated from Grafton Central High School in 1969 and then attended North Dakota State School of Science at Woppeton, North Dakota. Upon completion of school, Laurence joined the Marine Corps and was active duty from 1971-1985. January 22, 1978, Laurence married his spouse of 39 years, Ronna L. Currie. Together, they raised their 6 children in Albany, Georgia.

Laurence worked for the Marine Corps from 1985-2013 where he retired. He worked in various capacities in the Marine Depot Maintenance Command to include Electronics Technician, Manager of the Metrology Laboratory, and Manager of the Communications/Electronics Branch.

Larry, as he was called by family and friends, loved to be outdoors doing gardening, yardwork and working in flowerbeds. In his spare time, he enjoyed his hobby of re-loading ammo and loved recreational pistol and rifle shooting, and taught his grandchildren the sport. He also enjoyed fishing with his wife

and family and spent much of his time helping fix things as needed even to include the small toys his grandchildren would bring to him. He never let them down. Larry also attended all functions, graduations, sports and special programs of all his children in their school days and beyond for all of the grandchildren. He dearly loved his animals but especially his German Shephard dog, Sheba, who loved him dearly and even now, sits at the door looking out awaiting his return.

Larry was a member of the Marine Corps League, the American Legion Post 30 Honor Guard, the American Veteran's Association and the National Rifle Association. He was a member of Friendship Baptist Church of Leesburg, Georgia and was very involved in Men's Ministries there as well as being asked to accept a Deacon position in the coming months. He was not one to like the limelight but instead willingly helped behind the scenes.

Larry was preceded in death by his mother and father. He is survived by two sisters: Eileen DePoe of Minneapolis, Minnesota and Marilyn Haug (Dale) of St. Joseph, Minnesota. His stepmom, Dorothy Olson of Grafton, ND; his wife, Ronna Currie Olson, and their six children, Lawrence Torres, III (Mona) of Okinawa, Japan; Kimberley Shirley of Leesburg, GA; Chastity Matthews (Garett) of Leesburg, GA; Kristen Ford (Alan) of Leesburg, GA; Cari Kehren of Leesburg, GA; and Cortney Russell (Robert) of Leesburg, GA. Larry is survived by 20 amazing grandchildren, 2 nephews and 2 nieces.

Larry will be sorely missed by his family and all who knew him. He has been escorted to Heaven and now sits at the feet of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that donations be made to semperfund.org. Larry always said, "Once a Marine, Always a Marine" and he would have wanted someone to benefit from his passing.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 6. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Friendship Baptist Church
Albany, GA

Funeral Service

JAN 7. 2:00 PM (ET)

Friendship Baptist Church
Albany, GA

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Laurence Christopher Olson*

May 22, 2023 at 10:29 AM



“ *Mr. Laurence Christopher Olson*

December 24, 2022 at 02:54 AM



“ *Dad I think the memories get more vivid as time passes without you here...how do we go on without you here to tell us how to get through these days? How does mom survive without you. So much left undone. It is completely true what they say you don't realize how much someone means to you until their not there. You are in my every thought and I miss you so much it hurts. Love chas*

chas - February 06, 2017 at 12:50 PM



“ *My sweetest uncle , can't into our lives when I was little around 6 or so and I always remember his kind smile , his soft but firm demeanor, and as a leader to look up to . He's is gone too soon. But I know we will see him again one day :)*

febra hensley - January 08, 2017 at 03:07 PM

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“ My Daddy was the most amazing man... He was my Superman. There's a song that says "Nothin' he can't fix with WD-40 and a Craftsman wrench." That was my Daddy. He always knew the answer and he always knew how to make me feel better when everything was falling apart. There are so many wonderful memories with him that I wouldn't even know where to begin. Every time he would take a break from working on the house or yard he would get a cookie and coffee and say "I'm taking my Union negotiated break." I love you more than you know, Daddy. I miss you is an understatement...

Cortney Russell - January 07, 2017 at 06:57 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Laurence Christopher Olson.



January 06, 2017 at 01:43 PM

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“ If I shared every memory of my Dad there would be no room for anybody else to write! He was the best Dad anyone could ever ask for. Every time I needed something fixed he was right there every time with no complaints ... other than "Baby, I've never seen this before!" Every thing in my house was always done wrong and he always figured out how to get it right. He taught me how to shoot my gun and was so proud of me because I short do good. The memories are endless. My Dad will never be forgotten and is missed beyond comprehension! Semper Fi! ❤️💔

Kimberley Shirley - January 06, 2017 at 07:54 AM

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“ *Mack and Dodie Matthews purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Mr. Laurence Christopher Olson.*



Mack and Dodie Matthews - January 05, 2017 at 10:20 AM

BP

“ *Bill and Janice Matthews Allison Phillips purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Mr. Laurence Christopher Olson.*



Bill and Janice Matthews Allison Phillips - January 04, 2017 at 09:53 AM

RM

“ *Rinichi, Kazuko, Katsuhiro, Etsuko, Naomi Makiya purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Mr. Laurence Christopher Olson.*



Rinichi, Kazuko, Katsuhiro, Etsuko, Naomi Makiya - January 03, 2017 at 10:35 AM