



## Jeffery Lann Nuckolls

March 20, 2023 - April 26, 2023

On April 26, 2023, Jeffery Lann Nuckolls stepped out of his earthly existence and ran to his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, leaving behind a body ravaged by cancer. He was met by his parents, Leamon Royston Nuckolls and Genell Black Nuckolls, his brothers, David Leamon Nuckolls and Timothy Royston Nuckolls, infant son Ian David Nuckolls and by countless others who welcomed him with open arms.

He leaves behind his beloved wife of 40 years, Willa, precious daughter Emily, and dearly loved son Steven.

Born on March 20, 1955, Jeff grew up in Thomaston, GA and enlisted in the U.S. Air Force right out of high school, serving from 1973 to 1981 in locations in the United States, and with the Tenth Security Police Squadron at R.A.F. Alconbury in England, where he made lifelong friends.

He began work on his undergraduate degree at Christopher Newport University, where he met Willa in Freshman English class in 1982. They married in August 1983, settling in nearby Poquoson, VA. Jeff graduated from Christopher Newport University in 1986. With encouragement from friends, he enrolled at George Mason School of Law in the Fall of 1986. Jeff and Willa lived in Arlington, VA until his graduation in 1989, then returned to Chesapeake, VA.

Jeff was an avid Bible student. Many remember his Sunday School class on the book of Romans as a graduate level study of grace. He loved playing guitar with the Spiritual House Band at Avalon Church of Christ and Living Stones, and serving with Cub Scouts Pack 991. He spent time growing things, cooking old favorites and new experiments, studying history, enjoying the Outer Banks with his family, and visiting military cemeteries.

Jeff was a partner at Basnight, Kinser, Leftwich & Nuckolls, P.C., in Chesapeake, where he practiced law for more than thirty years, most recently leading the real estate department. His impact there spread far and wide as he brought both professionalism and personal care to his co-workers as well as the clients that he served. His vocation was his ministry to his community.

Jeff touched the lives of so many with his steady, good-natured presence. Many remember the rascally light in his eyes as he told a joke or story, played a prank or made up a song. He laughed, cried, sang and argued with gusto!

He was a godly man who never forgot Whose he was.

In addition to Willa, Emily and Steven, Jeff will be missed by loving daughters Angela Clark (Michael) and Jennifer Moore (Steven), grandchildren, Alyssa Wilkes, Madison Ussery (Caleb), Kaylee Clark, Marlee Moore, Kolby Clark and great granddaughter Lenny Ussery, niece Shannon Fowler (Darrell) and nephew Brian Nuckolls (Carrie). He loved and was loved by his sisters-in-law Mary Lee and Libby Baumann (Jim), mother-in-law Phyllis Whaley (Wes) and father-in-law William Wenger, along with nephews Michael Baumann (Kate White), Timothy Baumann (Casey Lovegrove) and Jeffrey Baumann. A host of other family and friends mourn his passing, forever changed, but rejoice with him as he begins his new life.

Jeff and Willa were so grateful for the steadfast support from her sisters throughout Jeff's illness and the exemplary care of Gauri Radkar, MD, Laura Mackey, RN and Crystal Roberts, MA at Virginia Oncology, and in those last days, for the gracious compassion of the Amedisys Hospice team, RNs Beckie, Jennifer, Denise, Monica and Erin, and Rhonda, CNA.

The family invites you to Jeff's memorial service on Friday, June 2 at 3:30 pm, at First Baptist Church of Norfolk at 312 Kempsville Road, Norfolk. The family will greet guests in the lobby beginning at 2:30pm. The service will be live streamed, details to be posted on Jeff's Facebook page.

His cremains will be interred at Albert G. Horton, Jr. Memorial Veterans Cemetery in Suffolk, VA, in a private ceremony at a later date.

You can honor Jeff with a donation to the Union Mission Ministries by calling the Donor Relations Department at (757) 627-8686, x 506 or online at <https://www.unionmissionministries.org/ways-to-give/>

# Tribute Wall

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“ Remembering Jeff as it approaches three years since his passing.

Mike P (10SPA) - April 03 at 05:06 PM

SK

“ I'm so sad to learn of Jeff's passing through a friend whom I referred to Jeff for legal counsel. Jeff was a fellow lawyer who I counted on for his expertise. Our practice areas were very different, so we stayed in our own lanes, but I knew where to go when I needed counsel outside of my expertise. I'd like to express my condolences to his family and let them know how much I admired Jeff's professionalism, thoughtfulness, loyalty, and great sense of humor. I will miss him very much.

Shannon L Knight - March 25, 2024 at 08:34 PM



“ The service was beautiful, and just like Jeff...tender and always pointing toward heaven, until we meet again on the other side cuz, you will be missed xoxo



Linda Art - June 08, 2023 at 11:33 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Jeffery Lann Nuckolls.

June 04, 2023 at 04:17 PM

SG

“ Steven Guntharp lit a candle in memory of Jeffery Lann Nuckolls



Steven Guntharp - June 02, 2023 at 03:25 PM

EW

“ Evelyn W. purchased the Joyful Memory for the family of Jeffery Lann Nuckolls.



Evelyn W. - May 30, 2023 at 10:12 AM

RH

“ Roseann Hill lit a candle in memory of Jeffery Lann Nuckolls



Roseann Hill - May 28, 2023 at 01:32 PM

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“ I met Mr. Nuckolls when he helped me with a legal matter, he was so kind and professional. When I thanked him he said, he always allowed the lord to him for his glory. He was a humble and that loved his lord, I was privileged to have known him. May God comfort and bless your family at this time.

Roseann Hill

Roseann Hill - May 28, 2023 at 01:14 PM