



Gerald Goldstein

December 11, 1946 - July 26, 2020

Gerald "Jerry" Goldstein, age 73, died peacefully surrounded by his wife and daughters on July 26, 2020 at his home in The Villages, FL after a courageous battle with cancer.

Jerry was born on December 11, 1946 in Corpus Christi, TX to George and Rose Goldstein. He was raised in a military family and moved every 2 years during his school age years including living in Rota, Spain for 2 years of high school before graduating from Sanford High School, Florida. While in high school, he enjoyed running track and playing football.

He graduated from FSU with a Bachelor's degree in Business. While at FSU, he met Carla and they were married in March of 1970. Soon after marriage, Jerry joined the Air Force where he was a 1st Lt. Missile Launch Officer in Minot, ND until his honorable discharge in 1973. Later, he received his Master's degree in Healthcare Administration.

Jerry and Carla raised 3 daughters and have 5 grandchildren. Jerry was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, and cousin. He was passionate about playing piano, writing poetry, and spending time with family and friends. Jerry especially loved FSU football and being a season ticket holder.

Jerry and his brother, Bob, successfully founded, owned, and operated Lake Centre for Rehab which over the past 40 years has grown to include 10 outpatient clinics across 5 counties. Jerry was the Chief Operating Officer until his retirement in May, 2020.

He is survived by his wife, Carla Goldstein; daughters Denise Junkin, Jennifer Gelb (James), and Angela Turner (Craig); brother Robert Goldstein (Donna); and five grandchildren, Andrew, Sean, Dain, Madison, and Emma.

Family and friends are invited to attend a viewing on Sunday, August 2, 2020 from 3:00-5:00pm at Morrison United Methodist Church in Leesburg, FL.

Memorial services will be conducted Monday, August 3, 2020 at 11:00am at Morrison United Methodist Church in Leesburg, FL. Interment will follow at the Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell, FL.

In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate donations to be made to Morrison United Methodist Church, Cornerstone Hospice, or the Wounded Warrior Project.

Tribute Wall

KB

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the family, my deepest condolences as well.*

Karen Burke - August 14, 2020 at 05:54 PM

KM

“ *I first met Jerry about ten years ago when we were discussing a potential business transaction. My initial impressions were borne out as I got to know him better over the years - he was a genuine, caring and respectable person in all that he did. As a PSU fan, I had to swallow hard with regard to the FSU connection, but we could laugh about that. The thing I will most remember about Jerry is all the other lives he touched in a positive and uplifting way. I only hope that people will say the same about me some day. Jerry will be missed by all those he touched in any way. I pray for God's direction, comfort and peace for his family and close friends in this time.*

Kenneth L. Moore - August 04, 2020 at 09:43 AM

RW

“ *My condolences to all of the Goldstein Family members. Although I first met Jerry 10-15 years ago through mutual business connections, I never was able to regularly interact with him until he joined the Confluent family. Most of my interactions with him were of the business variety and I found Jerry to be engaging, intelligent, and deeply committed to his company. I (virtually) attended his service today and was deeply moved by hearing the stories of his life from his family and friends. Jerry was obviously a very special and talented individual and he touched many lives. He will be missed. May he rest in peace.*

Randy Wiemer - August 03, 2020 at 03:09 PM

JH

“ My condolences to the Goldstein family. I had dinner with Jerry and his wife several times during visits to Clearwater. He always was a friendly man, and I know, a great brother and business partner, to Bob. I'm so sorry for your loss.

John Holicka - August 03, 2020 at 02:25 PM

SH

“ Jerry and I worked together for 33 years and I became more than his employee. We became family. He was always there for me whether it was to listen, encourage or work through a problem. Jerry also became the subject of one of my papers I wrote for a business class. I'd like to believe he was proud that I chose him as an example of someone I admired in business. I will always treasure the FSU games that we attended together cheering on the Noles. I have never met someone as compassionate, trusting and caring as him. Jerry was my mentor and my friend. I will miss him more than words can say.

Sherri - August 01, 2020 at 11:02 PM

PS

“ I met with Jerry and his beautiful wife, Carla almost 17 years prior. When Jerry was ready to go be with our Lord and I knew our miracle was not to be, only then, could I send this to him.

17 years ago at T-Bones we met, God had a plan I had not known yet.

I met this couple so true and dear, God gave me my job and said you are here.

The word Boss could not express, just how you made us feel, Integrity and honor you were the real deal.

You taught us by example every step of the way, with knowledge and wisdom you made us want to stay.

As I talk to my Lord Jesus I said I hope you know, my Boss Gerald Goldstein how much we love him so.

He led us with his passion and makes us to stand tall, this man with all these talents we just stood in awe.

A son, a spouse, a dad, a brother and a friend,

An uncle and a granddad,

the list that does not end.

Our Happy Birthday music that my Boss loved to play, the stories and the poems for secretaries day.

An attitude of gratitude for this man you let us know from here until eternity this man will make us grow.

Well done good and faithful servant are the words that you will speak, when you hold this giant of a man against your loving cheek.

Patty Siler - August 01, 2020 at 09:01 PM

BS

“ For the family of Gerald Goldstein
Words can be spoken but can not take away the pain you are going through but just know that I care.

Barbara Smith

Barbara Smith - August 01, 2020 at 11:25 AM

DM

“ So sorry to hear about Jerry’s illness and passing. He always had a kind word for everyone he met and a winning smile. Prayers for the family.

De Miller-Sellers - August 01, 2020 at 08:56 AM

DP

“ Condolences to all the Goldstein family for your great loss. Within minutes of meeting Jerry during an interview for a job, I could tell he was a very genuine warm person and somebody I would be delighted to work alongside. Over the years, I have seen his passion for the company he helped build and what always stood out was the love and care he felt for each and every employee. Few bosses share that attribute which made him a special person. He will be dearly missed and I hope we at LCR continue to make him proud of what he achieved. Kindest regards,
Daniel.

Daniel Thomas PT - July 31, 2020 at 04:41 PM

CC

“ Wonderful family man, great boss, kindhearted individual. May your walk with the Lord be a joyous one. Go walk with God as he welcomes his newest angel home. God speed.

Cindy Crawford - July 31, 2020 at 02:42 PM

CP

“ I worked for/with Jerry in the mid 80s for six years and have fond memories of my career with Lake PT. May care and love of those around you provide comfort and peace to get you through the days ahead. My most sincere condolences.

Catherine Knickerbocker, PT - July 30, 2020 at 04:25 PM

ES

“ Jerry was a very special person in my life. Over 30 years ago Jerry trusted us (Emmett Sapp Builders) with a remodel project at his office in Leesburg. At the time we had very little experience but Jerry saw promise in us and felt we deserved a chance. We met almost daily on the project and as the project came together our respect for each other grew into a lifelong friendship. Over the 30 years of working with Jerry I have to mention the admiration I have for the relationship I witnessed from afar of the special relationship he had with his brother. If all brothers could love one another like these two guys this world would be a better place. I'll miss you Jerry but its time to rest my good friend in everlasting paradise. all brothers should . Since then we both

Emmett Sapp - July 30, 2020 at 01:01 PM

BJ

“ I pray that you celebrate his life and the memories cherished. May Jerry rest peacefully.

Brad Johnson - July 30, 2020 at 12:00 PM

PR

“ It is with sincere condolences for the loss of a beautiful soul and a wonderful man. The world was a better place with him in it. May his name be for a Blessing - Baruch Hashem

phylis berger R.N.B.S. - July 30, 2020 at 10:02 AM

AM

“ I had left the company for 3 months, to move. I worked remotely while I was gone. When I came back, Jerry had just had shoulder surgery, and wasn't supposed to be at the office. He made it a point to come back to my department and tell me how happy and thankful he was that I had come back to the office. He even showed me his surgery scar. He was the grandpa every grandkid wanted. He wrote poems every year for his administrative staff. I still have all of them. I have 14. So thankful to be a part of this, and so saddened that he's gone. He will be forever missed!

Andrea Madden - July 30, 2020 at 08:04 AM

BH

“ Wonderful family my thoughts and prayers are with all of you !

Bill Hayes - July 30, 2020 at 07:00 AM

EM

“ Jerry was one in a million, I spent much time at his home for the holidays and always made me feel so welcomed and loved. A better man there could never be. He put up such a brave front and is now together with his Mom and Dad in Heaven. I will miss you forever and think of you often. My heart is broken. Sincere Sympathy to his lovely wife Carla and beautiful daughters and grandchildren. How he adored them.

Eleanor Monaco - July 29, 2020 at 07:29 PM

ND

“ I am saddened to hear of Jerry's passing. His devotion to his family and employees was unmatched. Jerry always had a smile even during the difficult situations. He will be missed. I will put him and all of the family in my prayers.

Nikki

Nikki Snyder, PT, DPT - July 29, 2020 at 10:01 AM