



Mr. Gregory Joseph Poetz

March 23, 1949 - May 23, 2023

Gregory Joseph Poetz, 74, husband of Roseann Marie Lardenoit Poetz, of Salem, passed away Tuesday, May 23, 2023, at his home after a courageous battle with cancer.

A native of Indianapolis, IN, Gregory was the son of the late Joseph John and Eva Uline Poetz. A 1971 graduate of Eastern Michigan University and a member of Delta Sigma Phi, Greg spent his career with the K-Mart Corporation, retiring in 1999. He was on the board of directors for The Company Company Theatre in Charleston, SC and a huge fan of the University of Michigan. He enjoyed football, golfing, extensive traveling, and adventures with his three grandsons.

While living in retirement on the Isle of Palms, Greg, ever the people person, loved his job with Wild Dunes Resort. During retirement he enjoyed planning and taking trips across the globe with many friends and family. When he wasn't traveling, he could be found indulging and sharing his love of food, theatre and hosting gatherings with friends. After relocating to Keowee Key in 2019 to be near his son's family, Greg treasured every moment spent with his grandsons. He will be remembered as a beloved mentor as well as their grandpa.

As amazing a friend, grandpa, and dad as Greg was, he was an even better

husband to the love of his life, Roseann. Married for 53 years, they were an incredible team, making enduring friendships, wherever they lived. Although he is already greatly missed, his legacy of love will live on through the impact he made on so many people throughout his life's journey.

In addition to his wife, Greg is survived by his son: Joshua D. Poetz (Emily) of Clemson, SC; sisters: Geraldine Seal of Orlando, FL and Jo Ann Haendel (Mark) of Santa Monica, CA; and his three grandsons: Ryan James Poetz (15), Jacob Austin Poetz (11) and Lucas McClain Poetz (8) all of Clemson, SC. Also surviving are his sisters-in-law: Marianne (Fran) McCarthy and Sheri LeBombard of Michigan and many beloved nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, Greg was preceded in death by his daughter: Kristi Poetz McRae and son-in-law: James McRae; brother: David Poetz and wife Nancy McGloon Poetz; sister-in-law: JoAnne Lardenoit; brothers-in-law: David Kerry Seal and Don LeBombard; nephew: John Poetz; and in-laws: Ernie and Eva Lardenoit.

A Rite of Christian Burial will be held at 1:00 PM, Thursday, June 8, 2023, at St. Paul The Apostle Catholic Church, with a doughnut themed reception to follow at Cottingham Hospice House.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Oconee Hospice of the Foothills, Cottingham Hospice House, Attn: Foundation Office, 298 Memorial Drive, Seneca, SC 29672 or to Scecina Memorial High School, 5000 Nowland Ave, Indianapolis, IN 46201.

The family is at their respective homes.

Tribute Wall



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Gregory Joseph Poetz.*



June 25, 2023 at 09:59 AM



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“ *Mary McCarthy-Bray lit a candle in memory of Gregory Poetz*



Mary McCarthy-Bray - June 05, 2023 at 05:50 PM

MM

“ Dear Roseann, Josh & Family,

I was saddened to hear of Greg's passing. Too soon for a man of his exuberance, zest for life, & who lived and loved the way he did. I believe that our loved ones don't truly depart; they walk beside us every day in the way they shaped our lives. I know you will always remember your husband and father with joy and thankfulness because he was such a treasure. Your loss is very great, please accept my deepest sympathy.

To all who mourn and will miss him, I am sending blessings and peace as you travel your path of grieving. May your cherished memories sustain you during this difficult time.

Know that others care and will be thinking about you in the days ahead.

*Sincerely,
Mary McCarthy-Bray & Family*

Mary McCarthy-Bray - June 05, 2023 at 05:43 PM

GR

“ Roseann....always loved Greg's sense of humor, his congenial personality and ease with how to understand different personalities. Probably partially attributed to his career with Kmart. He will be missed! Your friends in MP are here to support you during this difficult time. xoxo Mary

Gomez Mary Reid - May 30, 2023 at 08:13 PM

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Roseanne. Please accept our love and prayers.

phyllis and Sam Nunn - June 06, 2023 at 09:35 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Gregory Joseph Poetz.*



May 30, 2023 at 03:02 PM



“ *2 files added to the album Mount Pleasant*



Betts Grant - May 30, 2023 at 11:46 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Wednesday Night Poker Friends*



Betts Grant - May 30, 2023 at 11:43 AM



“ *I was so sorry to hear of Greg's passing. Although I didn't really know him, when I met him when one of your parents died it was obvious that he was a wonderful man who loved his family. I'll be praying for you and your family as you grieve. You'll be with him again someday. Beth Soderlund Henrion*

Beth Henrion - May 26, 2023 at 03:12 PM

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“*Roseann and family - I was so sad to read about Greg's passing. You are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. I always enjoyed reading about all of the travel adventures you shared together. May our good Lord bless you with comfort, and May Greg rest in God's heavenly peace.*

Carol Socha - May 25, 2023 at 06:42 PM

RM

Saddened to see how quickly Greg passed despite everyone's efforts to find a way to save him. How insidious and horrible cancer can be. We're all going to miss him and his optimism and love of family and friends. We feel lucky to have known him and shared so many good times together. Such people and memories sustain us all to our journeys end. May god bless Greg and all who love him.

Rich and Mateja - May 26, 2023 at 10:36 AM