



Craig R Johnke

March 14, 1949 - June 1, 2021

Craig was born on March 14th, 1949 in Worthing, S. Dakota to parents Maynard and Merna Johnke – both deceased. He graduated High School from Lennox High, S. Dakota, and then went on to attend Wichita State University from 1967-1971 where he was a proud member and head of the Kappa Sigma fraternity. He graduated with an undergraduate degree in Chemistry and went on to achieve his Masters Degree in Chemistry, and later a Masters Degree in Business Administration. Craig initially worked as a research scientist at Vulcan Chemicals in Wichita before switching careers to work for AT&T where he quickly moved up through the ranks of management and dedicated 32 years of service before retiring in 2009. Craig met Deborah Sue Rowe in 1967 at Wichita State, and they were later married on May 22nd, 1971. They had two children while still living in Wichita, Aaron Scott Johnke (age 46), and Andrea Leigh LeVan (age 44). The family then moved to St. Louis, MO in 1980 when Craig was transferred with AT&T. Craig is also survived by one grandson, Blake Austin Johnke (age 25), and two step-grandchildren, Brady and Allie Upton (ages 17 and 11 respectively). Craig is also survived by his beloved wife Deborah after celebrating 50 incredible years of marriage. Craig was a loving and attentive husband, a patient and devoted father and grandfather, and an inspiration to all of those who knew and worked with him.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUN 11. 2:00 PM (CT)

Chapel Hill Mortuary - Cedar Hill
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Tribute Wall



“ *Craig R Johnke*

January 06, 2023 at 10:46 PM



“ *I am so sorry to hear of Craig's passing. I first met Craig in 1983 and worked with him for many years. He was a wonderful person and colleague. Craig would do anything to help a person with any task, regardless of what amount of time it might take. My sympathies to all of Craig's family and friends. Dave Janicke*

Dave Janicke - June 13, 2021 at 09:26 PM



“ *So sorry for Craig's family. I worked with him in St. Louis for many years. He was a wonderful man.*

Mary Anne Montgomery

Mary Anne Montgomery - June 08, 2021 at 10:13 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of Craig's passing. My deepest sympathies to his family. Craig was my first supervisor at SWBT/AT&T in 1984 and I worked with him in various capacities until he retired. He was a great guy. - Penny Medley Muniz*

Penny Medley Muniz - June 08, 2021 at 03:54 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Craig R Johnke.*



June 08, 2021 at 03:31 AM