



## Arthur Olaf Kohn Jr.

June 24, 1956 - July 8, 2020

Arthur Olaf Kohn Jr.

Born: June 24, 1956 - End of watch July 8, 2020

The oldest of 3, Arthur was born to Leona and Arthur Kohn Sr. in Galveston Texas on June 24, 1956. His watch ended July 8, 2020 at his home in Nokesville, Virginia at age 64. Shortly after he was born, the family moved to the mainland where Arthur Jr., Tim, and Mark were raised by their loving parents in Santa Fe, Texas. Arthur grew up fishing and crabbing in the Gulf of Mexico and hunting in Oklahoma with his grandfather and Uncle Johnny. Upon graduation from Santa Fe High School, he moved to College Station to attend Texas A & M where he majored in business. After graduating with his bachelor's degree, he pursued his true calling and began his service to the public. Arthur began his career as a State Trooper for the Texas Department of Public Safety in May 1979. He was promoted to Sergeant, joined the Narcotics Division, and continued to protect the public as an undercover narcotics officer where he was involved in numerous large and successful prosecutions. While employed for Texas DPS he met the love of his life Mara. He served Texas until 1995.

Arthur and Mara were married on July 17, 1993. Shortly after they were married, they moved to Pierre, South Dakota. While living in South Dakota,

Arthur continued to be an avid outdoorsman, horseman, and public servant. In 1999, he and Mara had their first child, Shelby. Shortly after the birth of their daughter, Arthur retired from the South Dakota Division of Criminal Investigation after many years of dedicated service and many projects including implementing the statewide 911 system. In 2000, Arthur, Mara, and Shelby moved to Hermosa, South Dakota and Arthur became employed with Riddles Jewelry as the head of their security department. Hermosa is where he and Mara built their dream horse ranch in the beautiful Black Hills. Arthur built the fences, cleared the trees, and eventually built the horse barn. In 2003, Arthur and Mara had their second child, Arthur Olaf Kohn, III "Trae". The family resided on the ranch until August 2010 when they moved to Virginia. In May 2012, the family settled in Nokesville where Arthur again fixed fences, built the arena, and lovingly maintained their horse farm for his family to be able to pursue their shared love of horses.

Arthur loved his family, his animals, hunting, fishing, gardening, cooking, and hosting friends and family. He shared his love of the outdoors, wood working, and animals with his kids. Arthur displayed values such as respect, hard work, bravery, strength, and determination in everything he did. This was especially shown when working with his horses, dogs, or cats.

Arthur made sure his wife and kids were cared for and loved. He avidly supported his kids in all their activities whether it was as assistant soccer coach, volunteer firearms instructor for 4-H, or as a "Horse show Dad." He spent many hours traveling the Atlantic coast to support his kids at soccer games, shooting matches, 4-H events, or horse shows.

Arthur is survived by his beloved wife of 27 years Mara, daughter Shelby, son Trae, his parents Arthur Sr. and Leona, brothers Mark and Tim, sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, and many nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Services will be held at 10:00 am July 14, 2020 at Shepherd of the Hills

Lutheran Church, in Haymarket Virginia. Visitation will be July 13, 2020 from 7-9 pm at Pierce Funeral Home in Manassas, Virginia.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL **13.** 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home  
9609 Center St.  
Manassas, VA 20110  
(703) 257-6028  
pfh@piercefh.com  
<https://www.piercefh.com>

## funeral

JUL **14.** 10:00 AM (ET)

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church  
41090 Sudley Road  
Haymarket, VA 20169

# Tribute Wall



“ *Pierce Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Arthur Olaf Kohn Jr.*



Pierce Funeral Home - July 13, 2020 at 03:50 PM

VH

*This is a beautiful tribute to his life and your family. Prayers for your family.*

Vikki Mentzel Hrcir - July 14, 2020 at 11:42 PM

SO

“ *Mara and all - I am so sorry to hear this! I have many fond memories of working with Arthur at Law Enforcement Training. The many hours meeting with instructors and re-writing lesson plans for the 911 training program for South Dakota. To this day I still remember when he walked into the office after you had Shelby! Nothing could take that proud smile off his face! What a proud dad and it sounds like he carried that forward throughout his life. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

Suzy Olson - July 15, 2020 at 11:46 AM

JS

“Wow! I send you and your kids my sincere condolences and prayers. That was a shock when I heard. I enjoyed working with both of you on many occasions. More prayers coming and hope you can find peace.

Jim Severson - July 14, 2020 at 10:09 PM

GT

“I'm so sorry, Mara. Praying for you and your kiddos; young adults now. The tribute video is truly amazing. I cannot believe how many childhood pics you all have of Arthur. He made no secret that he loved his family dearly and was so proud of all 3 of you. That really shows in the way he looks at each of you in these pics. Please look us up when you travel back this way.

Gayle Thom - July 14, 2020 at 06:37 PM

KT

“Prayers to all of the Kohn family. I always enjoyed working with Arthur as he was dedicated to his job and always professional. In the fall we also got to spend some time in the field chasing pheasants. God Bless

Kevin Thom - July 14, 2020 at 03:59 PM



“Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Arthur Olaf Kohn Jr..



July 14, 2020 at 12:13 PM

JH

“ *Sending thoughts and prayers to you Mara and the kids today as you honor your husband and father. He will be the angel who watches over you as you honor him in this life.*



*Judy (Linneman) Hawke and family-Mary & Nathan, Andrew, Caleb and Luke & Daeghan and the Linneman family from Clark, South Dakota*

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**Judy Hawke** - July 14, 2020 at 09:30 AM

AG

“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



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**Antonio Gonzalez** - July 14, 2020 at 08:47 AM

SL

“ *Mara, Shelby and Trae so sorry to hear of your husband and Father's passing I will be thinking of you at this difficult time I loved your video of Arthurs life and the music was so fitting just to bad we are so far apart sounds like you had a wonderful time together you will have your memories I know it's not the same. take care*



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**Sharon Larson** - July 14, 2020 at 01:09 AM

RM

“ Ronnie Marullo purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Arthur Olaf Kohn Jr..



Ronnie Marullo - July 13, 2020 at 10:27 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Arthur Olaf Kohn Jr..



July 13, 2020 at 07:05 PM

TN

“ The Gavins(Tennessee) & The Nebouts(Texas) purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Arthur Olaf Kohn Jr..



The Gavins(Tennessee) & The Nebouts(Texas) - July 13, 2020 at 06:51 PM

JM

“ Sending my prayers and sympathy. May God watch over you and your family in your time of need.

Jackie M. (NCUA)



Jackie Minor - July 13, 2020 at 06:32 PM

LK

“ My most sincere condolences to you at this profound time of sorrow. I'm so grateful for all of Arthur's contributions to the Prince William County 4-H program. What a good guy!. I will be remembering your family in prayers in the days ahead. With love, Linda King

Linda King - July 13, 2020 at 06:02 PM

LF

“ Love, the Arnold family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Arthur Olaf Kohn Jr..



Love, the Arnold family - July 13, 2020 at 04:01 PM

LL

“ Love, Ben, Karissa and Calvin Larson purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Arthur Olaf Kohn Jr..



Love, Ben, Karissa and Calvin Larson - July 13, 2020 at 03:53 PM

SL

“ Steve Ward & Cecilia Lutz purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Arthur Olaf Kohn Jr..



Steve Ward & Cecilia Lutz - July 13, 2020 at 03:01 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Arthur Olaf Kohn Jr..*



July 13, 2020 at 02:58 PM



“ *The Prince William 4-H Staff and 4-H Association purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Arthur Olaf Kohn Jr..*



**The Prince William 4-H Staff and 4-H Association** - July 13, 2020 at 02:53 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Arthur Olaf Kohn Jr..*



July 13, 2020 at 02:40 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Arthur Olaf Kohn Jr..*



July 13, 2020 at 02:07 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Arthur Olaf Kohn Jr..* ”



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July 13, 2020 at 01:14 PM