



Lawrence Keith Daum

December 15, 1953 - April 16, 2022

Lawrence Keith (Smithson) Daum, 68, of Bristow, Virginia, passed away on April 16, 2022. He was born on December 15, 1953 in Nashville, Tennessee, the son of Kenneth Smithson and Martha (Mendenhall) Daum. He was then adopted by Roger Daum. Larry (as he was known to all his friends and family) had a long and happy life and died peacefully in his sleep at the Adler Center after a short battle with a cancer.

Larry was an avid reader and a believer in a true democracy. After earning his Master's degree in Political Science he travelled around the world to pursue his passion and helped governments to develop capacity for economic growth and democracy.

The simplest pleasures in life brought a great joy to Larry. He loved to sing (and was good at it) and had directed and played in community theater musicals while living in Vermont. He loved a quiet evening with his family, his dog Zeus and a glass of red wine in hand. His joyful personality was contagious to everyone he met.

He is survived by his wife, Renata Daum and three children, Valen Daum, Torin Daum, Tara (Daum) Harrison. He was beloved granddaddy to Ashley and Lauren.

Mother, Martha Ann Daum; Siblings, Mary Daum, John Daum, Cathee Daum, Michael Smithson and Melissa Smithson, and many nieces and nephews.

A celebration of life will be held for Lawrence at 11:00 AM at Pierce Funeral Home Celebration of Life Room (9609 Center Street, Manassas, Virginia 20110). Light refreshments will be served.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation in loving memory of Lawrence Keith Daum to CARE (www.care.org).

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

APR **24**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home Celebration Room

9609 Center Street

Manassas, VA 20110

<https://www.piercefh.com/who-we-are/celebration-room>

Tribute Wall

SK

“ I was just talking with a colleague about the "old days" at USAID and Larry came up. Sorry to hear of his passing. Rest in peace, Larry.

-Steve Kowal

Steve Kowal - April 28, 2023 at 01:43 PM

AF

“ I met Larry and his family in Kosovo, where he was my supervisor. He was a a great supervisor and development advisor and an even better friend and family man. Larry's work touched and improved the lives of many. His contributions and friendship will be missed. Rest In Peace, Larry. You've done well.

Alan Ferguson - May 01, 2022 at 11:48 AM

YJ

“ Yoon J. purchased the Mrs. Fields Thinking of You Combo Tin for the family of Lawrence Keith Daum.



Yoon J. - April 25, 2022 at 09:49 PM

EH

“ I am very sorry to hear about Larry's passing. He was a great colleague and team leader at USAID and amiable and interesting person. I am glad that I had the opportunity to work with him and wish all the best for his family at this sad time.

Eric Hyman - April 25, 2022 at 12:48 PM

YL

I can't believe that Larry passed away already. Retired at the end of July 2020 during COVID-19 Pandemic, I always thought that I will see him in the near future when our old colleagues go back to office. He was one of the most friendly person to me, always ready to help me with all kinds of questions, issues and tasks. He was one of the persons who come into office earlier than others and start to work or chat with colleagues on many topics. My fond memory of Larry, his husky voice, his laughter and etc., will be in my memory forever along with my gratitude to him.

With my prayers for his families, relatives, colleagues and friends during this sad time. from Yoon Lee

Yoon Lee - April 25, 2022 at 09:39 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Lawrence Keith Daum.*



April 21, 2022 at 06:49 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Lawrence Keith Daum.*



April 21, 2022 at 01:00 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Lawrence Keith Daum.*



April 21, 2022 at 12:21 AM



“ *Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Lawrence Keith Daum.*



April 19, 2022 at 11:51 AM