



## Roger Wayne Pearce

March 24, 1935 - August 5, 2023

Manassas - Roger Wayne Pearce, 88, of Manassas, Virginia passed away peacefully Saturday, August 5, 2023 at his home. He was born on March 24, 1935, in Exeland, Wisconsin, the son of Glen & Eliza (Lida Sheadel) Pearce. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his three brothers Harold (Hack), Richard (Dick) & Charles (Chuck). Surviving in addition to his wife, Carmen (Corea) Pearce are his son, John Pearce, wife Allyson (Mongrain) and two grandchildren Patrick & Anastasia (Annie), of Centreville, Virginia. Also surviving are his daughter Lisa (Pearce) Haas and her husband J.R. Haas and three step grandchildren, Nathan, Abby & Casey of Eldorado Hills, California. In May 1969, he married his wife Carmen Corea & celebrated 54 years of marriage. He received a BS degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Wisconsin (1959) & a Masters from the University of Wyoming (1961). After college, he served in the Air Force for four years. He was employed by the IBM Corporation for 30+ years, and the Lockheed Martin Corporation for five years as a Senior Development Engineer. He worked primarily in Computer Development (Owego, NY), Sonar Hardware Development for Fast Attack & Ballistic Missile Nuclear Submarines (Manassas, VA). He had an opportunity to support month long submarine tests, while at sea. He retired from IBM in 1994 & from Lockheed Martin Corporation in 1999. Roger held a Pilot license for 33 years. He was a member of the local Civil Air Patrol (an Air Force Auxiliary) for thirty-three years. Roger was an avid snow skier. As a charter member, he assisted in

creating the Triple Cities Ski Club (Binghamton, New York). Additional sports included Football, Boxing, Baseball & Water Skiing, sometimes with a “Kite” (i.e. Hang Glider).

Visitation and eulogy will be held at Pierce Funeral home on Wednesday August 16th at 9:15am followed by a service at All Saints Church at 10:30am. Everyone is welcome to join for refreshments at the Black Sheep Restaurant at noon.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 16. 9:15 AM (ET)

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

## Mass of Christian Burial

AUG 16. 10:30 AM (ET)

All Saints Catholic Church  
9300 Stonewall Rd  
Manassas, VA 20110-2566  
(703) 368-4500

# Tribute Wall

KC

“ 2 files added to the album Prince William Composite Squadron



Kimberly Carole - September 17, 2023 at 09:05 PM

LH

“ Dearest Carmen,

*I had the pleasure of working with Roger when he and I were young!! He worked in Jim Rupp's organization when I supported Jim back in the '70s. Roger was an outstanding engineer who shared his expertise and wisdom with so many engineers who came to IBM Manassas after him. The added bonus of knowing Roger was becoming friends with you. If memory serves me correctly, the first time I met you was at Bob and Mary Ellen Hume's Halloween Costume Party; and then spending great times together over the years with the Ackermans. I am so very sorry for your loss. May the love and support of family and friends give you strength. I will continue to keep you and your family in my prayers.*

Linda Haledjian` - August 24, 2023 at 02:19 PM

FZ

“ A true friend and a genuine mentor. May your soul rest in Eternal Peace.

Fayek Zabaneh - August 18, 2023 at 08:11 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Roger Wayne Pearce.*



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August 14, 2023 at 01:16 PM



“ *My dearest friend Carmen married a genuine gentleman with whom we enjoyed as a friend also. May the family accept these few comforting words during this difficult time.*

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**Regina Elena Husnay** - August 13, 2023 at 10:42 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Roger Wayne Pearce.*



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August 12, 2023 at 08:33 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Roger Wayne Pearce.*

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August 12, 2023 at 08:33 PM

JC

“ I was so sorry to hear about Roger's passing and offer my sincere condolences to Carmen and his family. I met Roger when I joined the Prince William Composite Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol and had the pleasure of working with him there for nearly decade. I think he had a secret mission to get this dormant pilot back into the "game". He failed in that but we did fly together a lot as he got me qualified and requalified as CAP air crew. He was a great pilot and always a pleasure to be around.

*I will miss you, Roger.*

*Col Jim Covell, CAP  
Former Commander, Prince William Composite Sqn  
Former Commander, VA Wing  
Former Chief of Staff, Mid-Atlantic Region*

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**JIM COVELL** - August 11, 2023 at 08:35 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Roger Wayne Pearce.

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August 11, 2023 at 06:06 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Roger Wayne Pearce.



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August 11, 2023 at 06:06 PM

JR

“ We are very saddened to learn of Roger's passing. He was a great friend and an absolute dynamo of ideas and initiatives and leaves us with many great memories of good times. Our sincerest condolences to Carmen, Lisa and John. His presence will certainly be missed and may Roger rest in peace.  
*Jack & Sharon Rappaport*

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**Jack Rappaport** - August 10, 2023 at 05:24 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Roger Wayne Pearce.



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August 10, 2023 at 04:05 PM

RM

“ Having been hired by IBM Manassas FSD in the late 70's, I had known Roger and worked with him on several programs. As a young pup, Roger never hesitated to help, mentor, and foster a team environment-always. He expected us to work hard but also to play hard also and followed his own advice. I was very fortunate and blessed to have been in Rogers company. On the lighter side, I learned when Roger said 'we' should do this, it meant 'you' should do this. Definitely a very fond memory.  
*My sincere condolences to Rogers wife and family. And Roger, God's speed to you - faster than any computers and processors you conceived. Thank you 🙏*

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**Rich Martnick** - August 08, 2023 at 05:16 PM

PY

“ I am very sorry to hear of Roger's passing. I worked with Roger at IBM and he was a good friend. He was always willing to listen and provide advise. We played softball together and both enjoyed the Steak Roasts. I have many fond memories of Roger. My condolences.

*Paul Young*

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**Paul Young** - August 08, 2023 at 12:02 PM

RB

“ I am so sorry to hear of Roger's passing. He'll always be "Mr. Pearce" to me, of course, since I only knew him as a child growing up on the street. I will always remember his big smile and good-natured laugh. Rest-in-peace, Mr. Pearce. My condolences to Mrs. Pearce, John and Lisa. - Robert "Robbie" Bitzer

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**Robert Bitzer** - August 07, 2023 at 03:24 PM