



Dr. Timothy Kyle Sumner

December 19, 1950 - April 4, 2026

Dr. Timothy Kyle Sumner, 75, passed away peacefully at home, surrounded by his loved ones, on Saturday, April 4, 2026, after an 18-month battle with neuroendocrine prostate cancer. Tim was born to Kyle Robert and Betty Jo Hash Sumner, in Roanoke, VA, on December 19, 1950.

He spent his younger years in Independence, VA, surrounded by his cousins and dear childhood friends that he kept in touch with until his death. He later moved to Cumberland, VA, where he graduated from Cumberland High School in 1969, continuing a pattern of nurturing lifelong friendships.

He started his academic career at Virginia Tech as a pre-pharmacy student, and graduated with his Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy in 1974 from Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU).

During his time in pharmacy school, he met his beloved wife, Jane Slater Sumner, while both worked summer jobs at the Defense General Supply Center. They married in 1972 and settled

in Richmond, VA. Tim practiced as a pharmacist for three years, before going back to school at VCU to become a dentist. After graduating with his Doctor of Dental Surgery degree in 1981, they moved to Manassas, VA, where Tim began his dental career. He later established a new dental practice in Gainesville, VA. His daughter followed in his footsteps, and continues to operate the dental practice that he founded.

Tim was a true Renaissance man of many talents and passions. His interests included investing and trading stocks, where his expertise led him to earn his Series 7 license; golf; country music; travel; wood-working; home improvement projects; Virginia Tech football; and Washington Nationals baseball. His love of golf was so profound, his wife, children, and grandchildren grew to love the game as well. He was a man of great character, conviction, courage, and integrity.

Tim was preceded in death by his parents, Kyle and Betty; sister Notra Kylene Sumner; and daughter Erika Susan Sumner.

In addition to Jane, his loving wife of 53 years, Tim is survived by his son Jonathan Kyle Sumner (Barbara), of Huntsville, AL; daughter Dr. Lydia Jane Sumner (Dr. Justin Hardison), of Gainesville, VA; brother Anthony Walbert Sumner (Amy), of Richmond, VA;

and grandchildren

Joshua Kyle, Michael Guidry, and Raegan Everleigh Sumner. He loved and was loved by a multitude of extended family members, and friends who were like family.

The family will receive visitors on Friday, April 10, from 6-8 PM at Pierce Funeral Home, 9609

Center Street, Manassas, VA. A funeral service will be held Saturday, April 11, at 1 PM at Grace

United Methodist Church, 9750 Wellington Road, Manassas, VA, with a reception at the church

following the service. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Memorial Sloan Kettering

Cancer Center, <https://giving.mskcc.org>

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **10**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Celebration of Life

APR **11**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Grace United Methodist Church
9750 Wellington Road
Manassas, VA 20110

Tribute Wall

MD

“ Dear Dr. Lydia, family, and friends at Sumner Family Dentistry, I am sorry to hear of Dr. Tim’s passing. He was my dentist for more than 10 years, and was always so kind, skilled, and gentle. He had a terrific sense of humor, and I will always remember the way he put me at ease for the dental procedures I had under his care. He was a wonderful dentist, and a kind man. I am so very sorry for your loss. My condolences,
Melissa Dicker

Melissa Dicker - April 22 at 10:57 PM

TF

“ I met Tim our freshman year at Virginia Tech, and got along so well that we decided to be roommates in the dorm sophomore year. Sharing a dorm room with someone really allowed you to get to know the good, bad, and ugly about that person. I can honestly say there was no bad or ugly about Tim. He got along well with the other guys on the hall, and had my back in many instances. I got to know sweet Jane well too, as they traveled back and forth up 81 to see each other. You could tell back then that they were a great match, that would lead to a lasting loving marriage. Tim was one of the good ones, who represented the profession honorably in his practice of dentistry. He was a true inspiration to the generations of dentists who came after him in his kind caring honest way of treating his patients. His family, friends and patients have my sincere sympathy in mourning the loss of such a great man. The profession will miss him too.
Sincerely , Tim and Cathy Ferramosca

Tim Ferramosca - April 19 at 02:19 PM

AL

“ Jane, I'm so sorry to hear of Tim's passing. I learned so much from his obituary about his very full life. He was a kind man and good friend & neighbor to my parents. Such a tremendous loss for all who love him. Sending our love and prayers for comfort for you all. - Alice & Wright Turner (Marrin) & family

Alice - April 11 at 08:48 PM

FP

“ I will miss my golf partner of 40 years. Always calm and soft spoken, he showed me how strong and courageous he was as he battled his disease. He never became discouraged or felt sorry for himself and as a physician taught me how brave one can be in facing the inevitable. He fought the good fight. Susie and I will miss him. Our sincere condolences to Jane, Jonathan, Lydia and the Sumner family. Susie and Fred Parker

Fred Parker - April 11 at 09:30 AM

CM

“ Jane and family - our prayers for you for peace and comfort in the coming days as you navigate a new path. Tim gave a life well lived, well loved, well fought. Jim and Celia Lennon Miller

Celia Lennon Miller - April 11 at 08:52 AM

BH

“ Praying for the eternal repose of the soul of Dr. Tim. May he rest in eternal peace with our heavenly Father.

Benjo and Siony Hill - April 10 at 04:14 PM

DT

“ Dr. Michael Gentile & Team purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Dr. Timothy Kyle Sumner.



Dr. Michael Gentile & Team - April 09 at 11:53 AM

LR

“ Linda Riggles purchased the Simply Elegant Spat hiphyllum for the family of Dr. Timothy Kyle Sumner.



Linda Riggles - April 09 at 11:12 AM

YF

“ Your FBI Family purchased the Heavenly Sentiments Spray for the family of Dr. Timothy Kyle Sumner.



Your FBI Family - April 09 at 10:53 AM

GR

“ Gerri, Jody, Mary, Anne, Joe, & Richard purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Dr. Timothy Kyle Sumner.



Gerri, Jody, Mary, Anne, Joe, & Richard - April 08 at 08:52 PM

GM

“ Words escape me. Tim & Jane have been friends for so many years. We had the joy of loving Erika Susan & the heartbreak of losing her. Now our heart breaks again. We will always cherish the beautiful memories. Jane, our thoughts & prayers are with you, your family & the many people who loved Tim.
Gloria & Charlie McDonald



Gloria & Charlie McDonald - April 08 at 04:08 PM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Dr. Timothy Kyle Sumner.



April 08 at 01:48 PM

EK

“ Nicholas & I were deeply saddened to learn of your Father's passing. We came to know him well as a Dentist & friend. Stan always appreciated your father & his many kindnesses over the years. We truly wish we could be there, but please know we send our thoughts, love & prayers.

Elizabeth Kurpiel - April 08 at 11:10 AM

EK

“ Elizabeth & Nicholas Kurpiel purchased the *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* for the family of Dr. Timothy Kyle Sumner.



Elizabeth & Nicholas Kurpiel - April 08 at 10:45 AM

DB

“ Jane, Lydia, Jonathan,
Words cannot express the sadness we felt when reading of Tim's passing. He was one of the great ones. When he came to Manassas, he became our dentist. He was always pleasant, professional, and never made us feel that we were an imposition on his time. When he "took in" Lydia as a partner, we knew that we would have an excellent dentist when he retired. His memory will live forever in the hearts of those that knew him, not only as a dentist, but also as a friend.
Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.
Beverly wants to know who she is supposed to make her chocolate and peanut butter cookies for now.
Dave Button

Dave Button - April 08 at 08:09 AM

TF

“ The Byers family purchased the *Beautiful in Blue* for the family of Dr. Timothy Kyle Sumner.



The Byers family - April 08 at 07:22 AM

RH

“ We remember Tim from our girls softball years. He was also our dentist. May he rest in peace. Sending the family thoughts and prayers.

Rich and Martha Hundemer - April 07 at 11:08 PM

GP

“ My heart is heavy hearing this news and I'm sending love and light to Jane, Jonathan, and Lydia. I will always remember that Halloween youth group party when Tim showed up as Howard Stern ... epic!

Gail Pennington - April 07 at 09:45 PM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Dr. Timothy Kyle Sumner.



April 07 at 09:14 PM



“ Tender Tribute was purchased for the family of Dr. Timothy Kyle Sumner.



April 07 at 08:52 PM

DP

“ David, Kim, Gary, Jennifer Pitsenbar purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Dr. Timothy Kyle Sumner.



David, Kim, Gary, Jennifer Pitsenbar - April 07 at 07:53 PM



“ Tim was a great boss and a great guy. Jane we are so sorry. You and Tim are wonderful friends with a great family. I can't believe he has gone to heaven already. Hugs to all of you.
Kathy and Andy Anderson

Kathy Anderson - April 07 at 07:43 PM

BB

“ Betty and Hunter Bell purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Dr. Timothy Kyle Sumner.



Betty and Hunter Bell - April 07 at 06:19 PM

SS

“ Tim Sumner was a fellow Hokie and our family dentist. We enjoyed visiting with him and Jane during our dental appointments. We send our deepest sympathy to Jane, Lydia and the whole Sumner family during this trying time. May God grant them all strength and solace in the days to come.
Steve & Sherri Sumner

Steve Sumner - April 07 at 04:55 PM

PG

“ *Tim was a good friend and neighbor. We will miss his kindness and joy for life. Our sincere sympathies go out to Jane and the family. Tim Will be greatly missed by so many.*
Pam and Meade

P Gwinn - April 07 at 04:23 PM

CD

“ *Tim was not only a personal friend but also a kind and caring dentist for me and my late husband. My heart goes out to my friend and former co-worker Jane and her family during this difficult time. I wish them comfort and strength in the days ahead.*

Carmela Dougherty - April 07 at 04:02 PM

NM

“ *Nancy Marrin lit a candle in memory of Dr. Timothy Kyle Sumner*



Nancy Marrin - April 07 at 03:03 PM