



George Samuel Leisersohn

August 26, 1957 - February 16, 2021

George Samuel Leisersohn, age 63, of Leesburg, Virginia, passed away peacefully at home on Tuesday, February 16, 2021.

Born on August 26, 1957 in Istanbul, Turkey, he was the son of the late Lawrence George Leisersohn and the late Anna Price Leisersohn. He was the beloved husband of 28 years to Kathleen C. Leisersohn and devoted father to Sarah E. Leisersohn and Lawrence (Larry) G. Leisersohn II. He is survived by his loving brother, Walter B. Leisersohn and nephews Cory Leisersohn and George (Chris) Leisersohn, as well as many dear friends.

He grew up in Georgetown and spent some of his childhood years in Athens, Greece. He was a graduate of Landon High School in Bethesda, MD and the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. He was an avid UNC Tar Heels and San Francisco Giants fan. He also loved vacationing to the Outer Banks with his family each summer. George had a passion for music and enjoyed listening to all genres. He also loved the family dogs, Brandy and Mikey, and treasured his walks around the neighborhood with them.

George was a dedicated employee at Navy Federal Credit Union at the Headquarters location in Vienna, VA for 33 years, where he served as the Manager of the Procurement Branch. During his time at Navy Federal, George fostered many close friendships.

There will be a memorial service to celebrate his life to be announced later this year.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his memory to the [Inova Schar Cancer Institute][https://support.inova.org/page/3749/donate/1?](https://support.inova.org/page/3749/donate/1?_ga=2.143292981.1091398869.1613588911-1039669268.1595776955)

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Comments



“ I have known George for over 35 years. I was blessed to have George as a friend - a very dear friend. He was kind, gentle, caring, humble, friendly and had a beautiful smile. He was the opposite of me! George and I worked together early in our career and it was a great pleasure to have George on my team. He coached me and helped me see the other side when frustration got the better part of me - George was so mellow and handled things with calm stride! We later moved to other employers both staying in procurement. It was a great loss when he left for Navy Federal, and I was frequently tempted to recruit George to join me again, but I knew he was so happy at the Navy Federal Credit Union - and in particular, the work-life balance they offered him and his family.

I remember when he met Kathy - George started to miss our regular happy hours. In particular, I remember a time when we were at Rumors, a bar in DC. George came with Kathy for the first time to join us. Throughout the night, George and Kathy were in the corner with George's arm around her - very much in the clouds, content, and happy. I recall taking advantage of a brief moment while Kathy was away so I could tease him. Describing his feelings for Kathy, he told me, "Joey this is it!" George and Kathy got married and had 2 beautiful kids. He was a dedicated husband and a loving father to Sarah and Larry.

When I saw George already with his health issue, he was still smiling - the same very same smile he always had. We met prior to the pandemic at a Thai restaurant with 2 of our close friends, Tui and Craig. We had a feast and enjoyed our time together as if we were back in time 35 years ago. Sarah came to pick him up afterwards for their father/daughter date.

Michelangelo once said, "Death and love are the two wings that bear the good man to heaven" George, I will miss you and your smile, but plan to see you in heaven someday.

Until then my friend, Joey



Joey Lee - March 01 at 04:58 PM



“ I met George in the early 1980's when he was living at the Dorchester Apartments on Columbia Pike in Arlington. His roommate was one of my best friends from my W-L High School days, George Sedlacko. I got to know George well during the 80's; since we played basketball together regularly at TJ Community Center, went for food at places like the local pizza hangout, and we occasionally hung out in their apartment. I was also proud to have George attend my wedding back in 1987.

In the summer of 1985, the two Georges and I took a road trip vacation together. We first drove to Atlanta to visit one of our basketball buddies that had just moved there, and to catch a couple of Braves baseball games since they were playing George's favorite team, the San Francisco Giants. We then drove across the south to Houston to visit another friend that had just moved. Along the way we stayed in a motel in Gulf Port, Mississippi that was on the Gulf of Mexico. The next morning as we left for the next leg of our trip, we could see a hurricane coming our way in the Gulf and actually drove in Gulf waters as they were up on the coastal highway. We found out later that motel was destroyed by the hurricane, so we got out of there just in time!

We had a great time in New Orleans along the way, but missed out on baseball in Houston as MLB had a mini-strike while we were there. We did catch a double-header watching the Texas Rangers before we started our trip back.

I lost touch with George around 1990 as our lives took different paths. I never had the pleasure to meet his wife and kids, but I'm sure he was a great husband and a great dad. I've never met a finer man.

This morning I was curious about George, so I did a search on the Internet and was shocked to find that he had passed just a few days ago. I felt a great loss like our 1980's days were just yesterday. My condolences to the family on your unimaginable loss.

Ken Renalds

Ken Renalds - February 24 at 01:02 PM



“ I remember George in so many ways; kind, quiet, thoughtful, intelligent, caring, funny and someone who you could really respect. We talked about basketball, baseball, work, family, and he always gave great advice whenever I sought his wisdom. He loved his family and Kathy, Sarah and Larry will have him looking over them forever. He often spoke of his long walks with the dog or later on dogs and he was always a calming presence. George did not like the spotlight but he was a natural leader and others found this in him and were drawn to him. It may sound somehow trite but in this case I can easily say that if more men and people were like George, this world would be so much easier and better to live in. His passing is extremely sad but his memory will always be of a classy and wonderful man.

Timothy Gay

Timothy Gay - February 23 at 08:31 AM



“ I will miss our talks about our girls who were the same age. George was always very kind to everyone. My thoughts and prayers are with the Leisersohn family, the Ashe family and all of his friends and family during this time.

Glenda

Glenda Noto - February 22 at 12:23 PM



“ George Leisersohn was a Leader you wanted to follow!! He encapsulated all the qualities of someone you aspire to be like. He was a 'safe harbor,' an amazing human being, a trusted Leader and confidant in our Department and throughout the Credit Union. A true professional; a man of integrity and calm reserve, a quick wit, a man who genuinely cared about others. He was always there for anyone at anytime. He would invite you into his office to sit down and greet you with his soft smile; no matter what else was going on, you knew George gave you his full attention and listened to understand. George might not have had the time, but George always made the time for you. He left an indelible mark, not only in the workplace, but on humanity.

My heart goes out to Kathy, Sarah, Larry and all of his family for this great loss. There was never any doubt of George's love and loyalty to his beloved family. His family always came first and his smile became brighter every time he would speak of you. May you find some peace and comfort in the days ahead and know your husband and father will always be watching over you.

Michelle Coddington - February 22 at 09:42 AM



“ If I could have hand picked a Brother-in-Law from all the men in the world, it would've been George. I was so very blessed to have George as my Brother-in-Law and in my life because I've never met a more gentle, kinder, joy-filled soul ever. No matter the circumstance, George always found the positive. In all the time I knew him, I never heard him speak an unkind word to anyone. Although quiet and reserved, when he laughed, it was infectious and I never saw him without a smile on his face. George's love for Kathy, Sarah, and Larry, whom he cherished dearly, was unconditional and eternal. When he would talk about them, you could see how proud he was because he would have a smile on his face from ear to ear. My sons are young adults and if they become even half the men George was, it would make me proud because George was a man of honor, of integrity, of goodness, and pure of heart, and what woman wouldn't be proud to have such a man as her Son, her Husband, her Father, her Brother, her Uncle.....her Brother-in-Law!!! Love you George, you are with us now and ALWAYS!!!

Maggie Ashe - February 21 at 02:22 PM



“ George was a kind, humble, funny and great person. He was our neighbor and friend who's family meant everything to him. We will miss him very much but smile with the memories we have that will never be forgotten. Our hearts and prayers are with Kathy, Larry, Sarah and their extended family.

Adam and Lisa Duray - February 21 at 01:46 PM



“ We are so very sorry to hear of George's passing. He lived around the corner from us and always had a friendly smile, wave or hello. After we learned of his illness and would ask how he was doing, he always answered with, "Don't feel sorry for me, I have a great family and a great life." We will miss seeing him working in the yard or walking the dogs. Keeping George, Kathy, Sarah and Larry in our thoughts and prayers.

Kristi Muse - February 21 at 01:12 PM



“ To my cousin Kathy and all the family, We are sad to hear of George's passing...sending you compassionate condolences and prayer during this difficult time. Anna Marie & Doug

Anna Marie Dardaris - February 21 at 09:17 PM



“ George was our neighbor and friend for nearly 19 years. His family was his life and he was an adoring father and husband. Tony and I cannot think of a nicer or sincere individual. We are so deeply saddened by his passing and the Leisersohn family is in our hearts and prayers.

Julie - February 20 at 07:43 PM



“ George was such an amazing person and I have so many great memories of him. The most memorable was the way he adored and loved my sister Kathy and his children. George really set the standard for those who followed him into this crazy family.

If you knew George he was not a man of many words but when he did say something it either left you laughing so hard your face would hurt or left you thinking he is so right.

George I will miss you so much and our family won't be the same without you.

Love you Always and Forever,

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CC - February 20 at 04:49 PM



“ Words can't express the profound presence my uncle George had whenever he was in a room. By presence, I mean the person who listened intently, asked about everyone's lives and successes, gave advice, spoke words of wisdom, and cracked a joke or two in between along the way. Uncle George was the kindest person I've met, and loved nothing more than his family. His enthusiasm when talking about his Children's successes is uncanny, his pride and joy, his life. And I've always looked up to love he and my Aunt Kathy share..true, unconditional love.

As we share these memories, we not only illuminate all of the qualities we hope to embody, we emphasize his everlasting presence.

We love you uncle George!

kathy langley - February 19 at 07:47 PM



“ Our four-some(George, Craig, Joey and Tui) first met at the Madison hotel, Washington DC. This was before George worked at the Navy fed. We really really had a great time both on the clock and off the clock. You know how that goes. We were so close and still enjoyed our friendship. October 2019, our four-some met over a Thai food luncheon where we had a tidbit of over 10 dishes. That day was magnificent. We all agreed to meet again But pandemic causes delay. Sadly, there will NOT be George...

Honest, Reliable, Respectful, Calm-Cool, Good Looking,...

My deepest sympathy and condolences to the family! Termsak (TUI) Varnasup

termsak varnasup - February 19 at 05:20 PM



“ George was one of the nicest people I knew and worked with in my 40+ years at Navy Federal. He was always patient, kind, hardworking and did everything with the warmest smile. My deepest sympathy and condolences to his family! Michelle (Greene) Blandburg

Michelle Blandburg - February 19 at 03:09 PM



“ I was deeply saddened to hear about George's passing. I met George 33 years ago when I started working as a contractor at Navy Federal. He was my first contact at headquarters in 1988. George was the true professional at work; but every once in a while we talk about baseball or he would listen to one of my bad jokes. He would give me a soft chuckle and then proceeded to tell me not to quit my day job. Whenever we saw each other in passing he would say hi and ask me how I was doing with sincerity. So on behalf of myself, my crew, and my company (Systems Connection) we would like to offer our deepest condolences to the family during this difficult time. He will be missed by many. God Bless. Matt Albright

matt albright - February 19 at 10:38 AM



“ I may have to steal his "don't quit your day job". :)

Glenda Noto - February 22 at 12:26 PM



“ I'm deeply saddened to hear of George's passing. Such a wonderful person filled with compassion and kindness. A real member of the Navy Federal Family in every sense. We'll miss his smile and "walk" of greatness!

May the family find comfort and love surrounding them now and always.

Maria Palumbo

maria palumbo - February 19 at 09:07 AM



“ My condolences to the family ~Cyndi Robinson

Cyndi Robinson - February 19 at 08:55 AM



“ I am heartbroken by this news. George was one of my favorite people at Navy Federal. Not only was he kind, gracious, and helpful, but he would always give it to you straight - no matter what. I will miss his smile, his kindness, and his candor.

My deepest sympathies to the family.

Darleen Brumley - February 19 at 07:56 AM



“ I am so deeply saddened by this news. George was such a great person. He always had a smile and was always willing to help. My prayers are with the family.

April Neal - February 18 at 03:14 PM



“ I was so heart broken to hear about George passing. He was the kindness and gentle man I met at Navy Federal. George always had that smile which made people feel so comfortable. Just a thoughtful person.. I will keep the family in prayer.

Sharon Tunstall - February 19 at 08:06 AM



“ A kind, caring, gentle, soft spoken man who treated others with respect. George's memory will be a reminder of how we should all be to one another. May God give you the strength you need as you grieve for this wonderful man.

Pam Bradley

Pam Bradley - February 18 at 02:18 PM



“ My condolences to the family. He always greeted me with a friendly Hello and smile. RIP George.

Dorrine Hunter Rhode - February 18 at 11:49 PM



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Matt Albright - February 19 at 07:17 AM



“ I am heartbroken about George's passing. George was the best brother in law (more of a brother), a sister could ask for! He was kind, thoughtful, gentle and fun. I have known George for over 30 years and I will be forever grateful for all of the fun times we had together- from watching him jam to Van Morrison (amongst all of the music he loved), to hanging out enjoying a beer and simply just chatting with him. Throughout the years my advice to all of his Ashe nieces was to find a gentleman like George- as he was a rare gem.

George was an example of a perfect gentleman, not only did he steal my sister's heart, but the hearts of everyone in the Ashe family- from all of my sisters and my brother (their husbands and wife), over 15 nieces and nephews, great nieces and nephews, his Ashe/Curtin cousins, and our aunts and uncles. It is an understatement to say that George was absolutely adored by my Mom and Dad!

I loved George's passion for baseball and basketball- especially the SF Giants and the Tar Heels. George had a great love for running, going to concerts and the beach, but his most important loves- were Kathy, Sarah and Larry- who he truly adored. His number one priority, by far- was his family to include his brother Walter, Walter's sons Chris and Cory and his Mom. Not only was George a fine example of a gentleman, but also as a husband, father, brother, uncle, friend, manager, neighbor and coworker.

I will forever be grateful for the time that I had with George and the many life lessons that he taught me throughout my teenage and adult years without saying a word, but by leading by example. His kindness, smile, voice and chuckle will always remain in my heart as a blessing. As a living tribute to George, I will make sure I take time to say hello to those I pass, to offer others a smile and be mindful to always treat others with divine kindness in a way George always did without reservation.

Caroline Ashe - February 19 at 11:05 AM



“ I was shocked when I found out that George passed away. I last talked to him last summer when I ran into him at Giant. He looked great and I was so glad that I had that opportunity to have talked to him not knowing that that would be the last time I would see him. He is such a great person who I trusted asking for advice when he was working at Navy Federal. I spent a lot of great memories with him which I will dearly miss. Rest In Peace my Friend. I extend my deepest condolences to his entire family and hopefully find some healing in this very sad time in their lives.

Enrique Fernandez - February 19 at 12:43 PM



“ George took me in Procurement with out hesitation. He didn't even have to think about it. He said yes right away. I will forever be grateful he gave me that opportunity. I am so glad he called me last month and I was able to talk with him. George was a wonderful person. He will always hold a special place in my heart. My condolence to his family. He will be missed by many.

Leslie Himes - February 22 at 10:46 AM