



# Gregory Wayne Wood

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**G**regory Wayne Wood, born January 3, 1947 to the late Edwin Van Buran Wood and Lolita Baas Wood, passed peacefully in the early morning of August 8, 2020, after battling heart disease. During his last days, he had the company of his brother Keith Schurr, and sister-in-law Natalie Schurr.

Born in Alabama, Greg spent most of his childhood growing up in New Orleans. His love of Cajun and Creole food, music, and culture remained with him throughout his life. After graduating from the University of New Orleans in 1968, he briefly became a New Orleans Police officer before taking a job in textbook publishing and sales that landed him in Chicago. There, he met and eventually married Barbara Jo Wood and adopted her son Scott. Together, Greg and Barbara had his son, Christopher Gregory Wood.

Quickly tiring of the inhospitable northern winters, Greg moved his family first to Houston and later to Plano, TX. He bought his first house and raised his family there. In 1984, he took an opportunity to be part of a new venture and moved the family to Reston, Virginia, where his sons would graduate high school. He taught Christopher his love for history and reading.

Greg was an incredible writer with a knack for marketing. He eventually settled in Mandeville, Louisiana. By then he had learned that he did not like working for companies and worked for himself in several ventures for the remainder of his life. During that journey, he became involved with the Home Builders Association. He wrote and published several trade magazines over a twenty-year period. In his later years, he also became a Realtor.

Greg's wish is that Christopher continue the extensive genealogical research he did on the Wood family and to make sure it is preserved for future researchers. His remains will be scattered per his wishes. He also wants his fraternity brothers, with whom he remained lifelong friends, to know how much he enjoyed their camaraderie. Greg was proud of his grandchildren, Joshua, Cole, Jackson, Kennedy, and Elijah Wood, sons of Scott Wood. His niece, Jennifer, and nephew, Jared, were in his heart.



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Memorial arrangements will be announced later when lockdown conditions permit. Please sign the E.J. Fielding Funeral Home online Guest Book at [www.ejfieldingfh.com](http://www.ejfieldingfh.com).



# Tribute Wall

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**Joseph Bergeron** posted:

My deepest condolence on the death of your father. I was a friend and a colleague, and I will never forget the times we spent together. May he Rest in Peace. Joe Bergeron

August 18 at 6:51 AM



**Kathlyn Lamarque Nolan** lit a candle in honor of Gregory.

Sending Care and Sympathy to the Wood Family. I was a friend of Greg's on Facebook and a graduate of Francis T. Nicholls.

August 10 at 1:14 AM



**Sharlene Hebert** posted:

Knew Greg since grammar school. Last time I saw him was at our 50th high school reunion. Rest In Peace my Rebel friend.

August 9 at 11:51 AM



**Lynne R. Mosca** posted:

R. I. P My lifelong friend ... 🌸🌸🌸

August 8 at 8:26 PM



**Katherine S Kendall** lit a candle in honor of Gregory.

Greg and my 1st cousin Terry O'Brien were friends from F.T. Nicholls High School, college roommates & live long friends. My thoughts and prayers for the Wood family. Rest in peace fellow Rebel.

August 8 at 4:53 PM



**T1 Tony Piazza Class Of 1960** August 9 at 12:03 PM  
RIP REBEL



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JA

**June Atkinson** posted:

Greg was a kind and loving person. The world will shine a bit less without him.

August 8 at 4:18 PM

SB

**Silvia Heimel Bergeron** posted:

My heartfelt condolences my LHK = Love hugs kisses to all n my 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏. Amen

August 8 at 1:53 PM

RM

**Russel Madere** posted:

Greg was a friend from Jr High school and high school. Very fond memories of a good friend from long ago. Will miss him. Rest in Peace Greg.

August 8 at 1:43 PM

PS

**Patricia Labatut Spicuzza** August 9 at 6:06 PM

Knew Greg since Shaw Elementary School....R.I.P.

CM

**Charles W McBride** posted:

Rest in piece my friend and FTN class mate. We became friends later in life but our love for our friends and school mate made the friendship stronger. We will miss you. Prayers fro family.

August 8 at 1:14 PM

JD

**Julie Joey Drouant** posted:

So sorry for your loss. Prayers for tge family.

August 8 at 11:49 AM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Gregory by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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