



Mrs. Donna Regina Owings

July 18, 1954 - December 6, 2021

Donna Regina Owings, 67, of Columbia, died on Monday, December 6, 2021, after a brief illness. "Regina", as everyone knew her, was born in Columbia, SC on July 18, 1954. She was the daughter of Donald E. Dye and the late Mildred Joan Lanier Dye. She was the loving and adored wife of David C. Owings for 42 years. Regina graduated from Eau Claire High School in 1972. She then graduated in 1976 from the University of South Carolina with a Bachelor of Science and Mathematics degree in Biology. She decided to pursue a career in nursing and graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from the University of South Carolina School of Nursing in 1980. The same year she was inducted into Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing. She worked as a Registered Nurse in physician practices, the American Red Cross and retired from the Columbia Veterans Affairs Medical Center in November 2019 as a case manager. Regina loved to care for her patients and was loved by them, with many keeping in contact with her throughout the years. Her loving and caring ways are her legacy and will be remembered by all who knew her. Her intelligence, grace and presence will be truly missed.

Regina is survived by her husband, David C. Owings and her father Donald E. Dye. The family would like to express their sincere appreciation to the Lexington Medical Center nursing and support staff for their kind and considerate care provided during her stays over the past two months. They were exceptional.

Per Regina's wishes, the services will be private. In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests memorials be made in Regina's memory to the donor's choice of the American Heart Association, Midlands Chapter at 701 Gervais Street, Suite 150, PMB #150, Columbia, SC 29201 or Pawmetto Lifeline at 1275 Bower Parkway, Columbia SC 29212.

Comments



“ Sorry to hear the news. She was always very nice to me. Praying for her and David.

Bill Martz - December 13, 2021 at 10:46 PM



“ Regina was a beautiful lady in side and out. I had the pleasure of working with her at doctor's office. We would occasionally go eat sushi together on Friday's. We would talk about our animals and husbands. One story in particular was when Regina and David had Sasha. Sasha was not feeling well one day and David went underneath the kitchen table to be wit her. Regina was a caring and compassionate lady. She will truly be missed.

Wanda Taylor - December 11, 2021 at 04:13 PM



“ David I am saddened to hear about Donna. We were in nursing school together at USC and I was excited to know her again as part of our VA family. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Billie Thompson

Billie Thompson - December 11, 2021 at 02:59 PM



“ David sorry hear about your loss. I went thru this 20 years ago. It is very difficult, but she will remain in your heart for ever.

Harold Nobles - December 11, 2021 at 05:06 PM



“ David, yours and Donna's VA family is so saddened to hear of her passing. She was a wonderful person, and a great VA nurse. I remember the day that you both came by to see me to say goodbye as you retired on the same day. Thoughts and prayers are being lifted up for you and your family. God bless.
Ruth Wood Mustard

Ruth Mustard - December 11, 2021 at 09:37 AM



“ David, I am sending my heartfelt condolences to you and your family. May God bless you and keep you in His care during this difficult time.
Debbie Herman

Debbie Herman - December 12, 2021 at 12:44 AM



“ Regina was one of my dearest cousins. She lived across the street from my grandparents. Whenever we arrived from Virginia for our frequent visits to Columbia, I would make a beeline for the Dye house. Joan, Donald and Regina always welcomed me with open arms like they'd been waiting all their lives to see me. Such a warm and loving household. We had great fun together. My most heartfelt condolences to those who loved her as I did. Vivian Miller, Los Alamitos, California

Vivian Miller - December 10, 2021 at 04:23 PM



“ I knew Regina for 45 years. In that time she became another sister to me. Kindness came naturally to her as did her love of animals. Most of all, I came to appreciate her serenity, a rare quality often missing in our times. Fate has taken her too early; the rest of us will have to learn to live without her in our lives. Goodbye to my dear and loving friend.

Bill Hopkins - December 10, 2021 at 11:50 AM



“ My condolences to the family during your time of sorrow. Donna was an awesome lady and I'm thankful I had the pleasure of working with her. She will truly be missed and heaven gained another awesome angel! Prayers for her family during this time of sorrow.

Sheryl Brand - December 09, 2021 at 08:54 PM



“ As one of her one-time immediate supervisors at Dorn VA Medical Center, Ms. Owings, "Donna" as I knew her, was "absolutely" an Extraordinary employee and most importantly a loving and caring human being. Shocked by the news. She will be missed.

My prayers go out to her family and friends during such difficult times. May GOD keep and strengthen you.

DAVID O. WHITE

David White - December 09, 2021 at 02:30 PM



“ My family moved next to Regina and David a year and a half ago. The last few days I've been reflecting on God's kindness in letting us get to know Regina. The first time I met her, she welcomed us to the neighborhood with the most delicious chocolate almond flour cookies I've ever had! (I tried to recreate them and failed miserably.) On July 4th, we had an impromptu fireworks party in our cul-de-sac. On several occasions (too many, really) I've run one of my kids over so that she could inspect their injuries. The thing about living next to someone is that you get to have so many small moments of hellos and lovely weather and what's new with you that when added up feels like a wonderful friendship. Regina had an incredible warmth about her, and I'm thankful we got to bask in it for a short time.
-Autumn Moore

Autumn Moore - December 09, 2021 at 09:01 AM



“ I loved reading this. She grew up to be just like her mother, for sure. They were such warm and inviting people - my cousins.

Vivian Miller - December 10, 2021 at 04:24 PM



“ So sorry to hear of nurse Regina's passing. I remember her while Dr. Wilson was in practice. He was my doctor and she the nurse. She was very professional and compassionate. She had a confidence and quietness about her. I haven't seen her in many years but I recognized her name and picture in this obit. My sympathies to her loved ones!
Diane Wyatt

Diane Wyatt - December 12, 2021 at 12:38 PM



“ So sorry to read of Regina's passing. I was privileged to have worked with her many many years in medicine. She was a skilled and compassionate nurse and a wonderful person. William Wilson

William Wilson - December 09, 2021 at 06:46 AM