



Peter Coerte Voorhees

August 8, 1962 - December 1, 2020

We are absolutely heart broken to tell everyone that Peter Coerte Voorhees, born in Elmira, NY on August 8, 1962, has passed away suddenly on December 1, 2020. Peter was a legendary character and beloved husband to Karen and unconditionally loved his daughter Lauren. He was predeceased by his loving parents Barbara Ann Hall Voorhees and Charles Hammell Voorhees. He is leaving five amazing sisters (Martha, Nancy, Ann, Beth, and Peggy), many nieces, nephews, cousins, great nieces, great nephews, brother fire-fighters, and countless friends. Peter had earned his Associates degree in Fire Fighting Technology. He worked in 911 telecommunications, operated his own fencing and erosion company, sold fire equipment at LaFrance, and most recently was successful as a fence warehouse manager and salesman. He, his boisterous laugh, and his never ending jokes will be greatly missed by us all. He was beyond fun to be with, which was almost equal to his difficulty to live with. He was a lifetime member of Southport Fire Department and it is there that his heart and soul resides with his brother firefighters who assisted him in the raising of Lauren and taught her the life skills of penny poker and beer pouring. The love for that fire department has never faded, and neither will ours. His dream was to become a gentleman farmer like his father before him. He loved to garden, cook, grill, feed and entertain everyone. Most of all, he loved the fire service and his family. Memorial services are to be planned in the near future in Elmira, NY. Cavin-Cook Funeral Home, Mooresville, is serving the Voorhees

family. Condolences may be made to the family at www.cavin-cook.com.

Cemetery Details

Cavin-Cook FH & Crematory

494 E. Plaza Drive
Mooresville, NC 28115

Tribute Wall



“ *Peter Coerte Voorhees*

February 14, 2021 at 11:24 AM



“ *Peter Coerte Voorhees*

February 14, 2021 at 11:04 AM



“ *Peter Coerte Voorhees*

February 14, 2021 at 11:03 AM



“ *Kelley Schilling Schuld lit a candle in memory of Peter Coerte Voorhees*

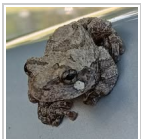


Kelley Schilling Schuld - December 07, 2020 at 01:04 PM



“ *SHOCKED, GREAT GUY!!! RIP ,PETE.*

Dennis Wolfe Sr - December 06, 2020 at 08:34 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of your loss. Pete was a hard worker with a big heart. He is and will be missed.*

Danny Mathis - December 06, 2020 at 05:13 PM

JF

“ *Sincere condolences to the family of Peter.
What a beautifully written obituary.
Joanne Foster
(Annapolis, MD)*

Joanne Foster - December 06, 2020 at 02:54 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of
Peter Coerte Voorhees.*



December 06, 2020 at 07:32 AM

KO

“ *Any time spent with Pete was always a fun time, full of laughter. He always had the best stories, or a silly joke, or some kind of mischievous thing he was pulling, and this infectious laugh that I will miss terribly. He was a wonderful husband to my sister, and an amazing father to Lauren. I was 13 when Karen married him, and while I grew up he looked out for me like the big brother he was, and teased me relentlessly just the same. I have fun memories of riding on his sailboat with him at our family lake house where I now live. Recently, on Christmas we would try to send each other the most bizarre, the most odd, useless, and stupid gifts we could possibly hunt down. My heart breaks for his family, friends, and anyone lucky enough to have known this great guy. Rest easy Pete. You will be missed.*

Kristen O'Brien - December 04, 2020 at 05:09 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Peter Coerte Voorhees.*



December 04, 2020 at 10:55 AM



“ *Our family doubled when our daughters married and this is like losing one of our kids. We have spent the last number of years staying New Year's with them and Pete always made us welcome and fixed us a beautiful dinner. Dad always remembers Pete's dislike for snakes and his story about killing one with the backhoe. He always had stories to tell us. We loved him and will miss him.*

Mom and Dad - December 04, 2020 at 09:26 AM



He was my baby & only brother. I loved him. He was loyal, funny, stubborn, smart, handy, a great cook, & had more qualities I will miss. He loved you, Karen and adored, Lauren. A piece of my heart is missing. Behave yourself wherever you may be. 💔

Nancy Voorhees Balenske - December 05, 2020 at 05:35 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Peter Coerte Voorhees.*



December 04, 2020 at 09:17 AM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Peter Coerte Voorhees.



December 04, 2020 at 09:10 AM



“ I remember spending time with Pete when he first got into the fire department in Golden Glow. The fun we had running hose team practices and competitions will always be remembered. I also remember a frantic phone call from Pete to ask me for help getting his fathers Jimmy out of the loam pit after he got stuck.

Condolences to the family and may Pete Rest In Peace.

Ken Pierce - December 04, 2020 at 07:13 AM



Thank you Ken! Always an adventure

Karen Voorhees - December 04, 2020 at 10:40 AM



Pete had an infectious laugh, a strong will, and a dedication to his fellow man, the likes of which are very rare. I'm going to miss this guy. A prayer for peace and strength for his family.

David L. Bachman - December 04, 2020 at 08:20 PM



“ *His heart was to save from fire. Ours was to save children from hard places. Similar heart, different callings. A great brother-in-law. He was a good husband and father to my sister and niece. He will be missed by so many.*

Kim Schultz - December 03, 2020 at 09:19 PM

KV

Such truth there! Love you

Karen Voorhees - December 03, 2020 at 10:37 PM

AC

“ *I only knew Pete because I worked next door to his business. I remember when he first brought Henry as a puppy. I liked Pete he was hard working. He will be missed*

Anthony Craft - December 03, 2020 at 08:24 PM

MD

“ *I had many laugh with Pete while doing inspections with me. He could always make you laugh. So sorry for your loss Karen and Lauren.*

Maria Dotson

Maria Dotson - December 03, 2020 at 07:35 PM

KV

Thank you Maria

Karen Voorhees - December 03, 2020 at 10:38 PM

EN

“ *Fond memories of Pete during our time together with the Southport Vol. Fire Department . Weather training, working a job, spending time with friends and family or just a laugh, Pete’s energy and upbeat personality were contagious! Thank you Pete.*

Condolences to Karen, Lauren and Peter’s family members.



Eric Nybeck - December 03, 2020 at 06:59 PM

KV

Thank you Eric! You guys are the best!

Karen Voorhees - December 03, 2020 at 10:39 PM

MB

“ *So sorry to hear of Peters passing. Sending the Voorhees family my condolences and prayers! Peter was a fellow class mate and I remember he was always full of life.*

Mary (Foster) Bacon - December 03, 2020 at 06:42 PM

BB

“ *Past few years I was able to meet up with Pete in Mooresville when I went to Charlotte for the WOO Sprint Car racing..It was one of the highlights of the trip...having a couple of adult beverages at Big Al's Pub and Grub..talking old times in the fire service back home...👤*



Bud Baldwin - December 03, 2020 at 06:18 PM

BO

Pete will be missed. His fun personality at EFA made him unforgettable. Anyone who even knew him even a little knew he was going to be a firefighter as an adult. My thought are with his family during this difficult time. Jean (Leskovec) Davis, Tombstone, AZ

Boardinghouseinn - December 03, 2020 at 07:23 PM

KV

Thank you!

Karen Voorhees - December 03, 2020 at 10:40 PM

MS

“ I also am from New York and was very happy when Pete became a 911 dispatcher because I understood every word he said. Plus, he being from the fire service made his dispatching very well coordinated and reliable. I will miss you sir!

Mark Strazzabosco - December 03, 2020 at 05:15 PM

BB

Got to vist with Pete in Mooresville on my trips to the WOO Sprint Car racing at Charlotte...One of the highlights of the trip was meeting up with him at Big Al's Pub and Grub..loved talking about old times in the fire service back home...Fly High Brother 🤔🚒❤️😭

Bud Baldwin - December 03, 2020 at 06:06 PM

JM

“ Joe MacCoy lit a candle in memory of Peter Coerte Voorhees



Joe MacCoy - December 03, 2020 at 05:03 PM