



Mr. Leigh Loveday

April 3, 2021

Leigh Loveday, 73, of Plant City, Florida, passed away peacefully at his home on Saturday, April 3rd, 2021. Leigh was born in Long Island, New York to the late Lionel and Ann Loveday. He grew up in Copiague, NY and moved to West Hollywood, FL in 1955. He graduated from Stranahan High School in Fort Lauderdale, FL where he met the love of his life, Linda, whom he married in 1967. He later received his Bachelor's Degree from Florida Southern College in Lakeland, FL.

Leigh worked for IBM for nearly 50 years. He began as a programmer in Boca Raton, FL, then transferred to Austin, Texas in 1981, where he joined the product security team. During this time he traveled the world, which he enjoyed immensely. In 1998 he transferred to the Southbury, Connecticut plant and found his niche in the acquisitions team, where he eventually worked from home, which was ideal for him. He also worked for many years as a referee for both soccer and football.

All of Leigh's friends and co-workers complimented him on his legendary appetite. He was extremely health conscious and loved to exercise. A lover of sports, he dreamed of playing football, and coached his children's soccer and basketball teams. He was a great father and he passed down his phenomenal work ethic and wonderful sense of humor to his children.

Leigh is survived by his loving wife Linda, their children Larry, Leiana, Lennon and Laura, six grandchildren, as well as his brother Lawrence. A memorial service will be held at the Loveday residence in Plant City on Saturday, May

8th. Another memorial will be held in Austin, TX for his friends at a later date. A life well lived, Leigh will be missed dearly by his family as they cherish the memories they shared together.

Tribute Wall

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“ I saw Leigh's name today in the November 2021 issue of the Southern News published by our mutual alma mater, Florida Southern College. We were close friends all through our 4 years there. Leigh introduced me to my future wife Mary, who was the pledge class sweetheart at his TKE fraternity. He frequented my home in Winter Haven and wowed my mom and dad with his voracious appetite and slender build. We studied together which was more beneficial to me as his intelligence was amazing. I recall he received a perfect score on the math GRE. Surely all of us who knew Leigh can thank our Lord for sharing him with us. In my prayers...

COL (Ret) Ed Sweeney
FSC Class of 1969
Spring Hill, FL

Edward Sweeney - December 07, 2021 at 05:42 PM

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“ We just heard the news.. Leigh was a friend, a classmate at Stranahan and a neighbor in Plantation. FL. We spent many happy times together at his home and with his close friend Steve Schlie and the pet ocelot who loved to jump Steve when he least expected it. My best regards to his family, who I know miss him dearly.

Gary Smith - October 16, 2021 at 07:35 PM

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“ I am so deeply saddened by the death of my friend Leigh Loveday. I became friends with Leigh years ago while on the same project at work. Leigh had a very strong work ethic, and I recall that he kept folks around him at ease with his crisp sense of humor. As our friendship continued, Leigh kept me honest when working out at the gym, helped solve the world's problems during lunch discussions, provided sage advice during poker games, and kept me up to date on the Miami Dolphins.

Leigh was a close friend whose opinion I valued and respected as I would a brother. I feel very privileged to have been friends over the years with such a great chap as Leigh and I will always remember the good times and laughter.

- Alex McLeod
Round Rock, Tx.

Alex McLeod - April 08, 2021 at 03:19 PM



“ Thoughts & Prayers was purchased for the family of Mr. Leigh Loveday.



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