



Galen Paul Suiter Jr.

October 23, 1969 - September 6, 2020

Galen Paul Suiter, Jr, 50, known to family and friends as Paul, passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, September 6th, 2020 in Jacksonville, Florida. Paul was born on October 23rd, 1969 at Lockbourne Air Force Base to SMSgt Galen Paul Suiter, Sr and Carolyn Carraway Suiter, in Columbus, Ohio. Growing up he traveled the world with his parents as an Air Force brat, living in various places across the United States and Europe, returning to the states and settling in Alabama in 1985. He was a member of St. Michaels and All Angles Episcopal Church, in Millbrook Alabama, where he served as an acolyte. Paul graduated from Stanhope Elmore High School, in Millbrook, Alabama, in 1987. He pursued his college education at Auburn University, graduating with his B.S. in Economics in 1991.

Paul met his wife Elisa Suiter, and her son Ryan, in Montgomery, Alabama, early 1996, and were married September 28th, 1996. Paul and Elisa both worked for the same company, Electronic Data Systems, starting just two weeks apart from each other, and were transferred to Louisville, Kentucky in mid-1997. Paul officially adopted Ryan as his son in 1998, and his daughter Victoria was born in June, 2000. Paul was an active member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Louisville, where he served on the vestry, supported numerous activities, was a server and director of acolyte and server training with his wife, for over 14 years. Paul worked in healthcare, for Humana Inc., for the last nearly 20 years, where he formed many close friendships over the

years.

Paul was very proud of his children and their accomplishments, and was actively involved in their academics, sports and activities, especially soccer, cross country/track, symphonic band and color guard with marching band and winter guard. His notable accomplishments include being a US Olympic Team Qualifier with Archery and several awards and best mentions for newspaper articles and his photography. Paul's hobbies included all things history, reading and learning, listening to 80's music (80's Rock), photography, woodworking, working on and driving his motorcycles and sport cars, soccer (Liverpool) and archery, as well as writing plays and ideas for movies. He was an avid collector of guns, knives and movies, especially the classics and Oscar award winning movies.

Paul moved to St Augustine, Florida with his wife Elisa in January, 2019, where he enjoyed being closer to family, warm sunshine (no more cleaning snow/ice), occasional boat rides on the coast, spying on the gators in his pond, occasional snake and turtle wrangling around the house, and gaining amazing new friends in his new neighborhood where he enjoyed the random family block gatherings and intellectual conversations that ensued. Paul enjoyed playing and hanging out with his pet dog Zoey (9-yrs), and recently warmed up to the newly adopted family dog Tabitha (10-mths).

Paul will be remembered as a loving, compassionate and devoted husband, father, son and in-law.

He is survived by:

Wife Elisa Krug Suiter (of almost 24 years)

Son Ryan Krug Suiter & fiancé Allison

Daughter Victoria Nicole Suiter

Parents SMSgt Galen Paul Suiter Sr & Carolyn Carraway Suiter

Parent-in-law Nancy Krug (widow)

Sister-in-laws Stephanie & Patrick Johnston; Dana Krug
Aunts: Margarita DeFore (widow); Anne Woodring; Julia Bledsoe & Jerry;
Frances (deceased) & Randolph Roberts; Bettye & Edwin Roberts;
Jessie McMillan (widow); Sandra Crum (widow); Susie & Gary Limbaugh
Uncles Albert Suiter (deceased); Ott Carraway (deceased);
Ausley Carraway (deceased) & Ann; George & Jill Carraway; David & Charlie
Carraway; Brad (deceased) & Sharon Carraway

Numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, church family and friends.

Funeral Service will be Sunday, September 13, 2020, 2:00 pm at the West
Sopchoppy Cemetery.

Skip & Trey Young with Family Funeral Home at Harvey Young Chapel are
assisting the family with their arrangements. 850-926-5919 Familyfhc.com

Cemetery Details

West Sopchoppy Cemetery

Curtis Mill Rd.
Sopchoppy, FL 32355

Previous Events

Funeral Service

SEP 13. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

PS

“Wow - what a shock to see that Paul had passed away. Spent a lot of quality time at the Suiters house when we worked together at EDS. Got to see the "wonder years" of Ryan and a very young Victoria. Paul was a very good friend and all of my condolences go out to Elisa and the kids. You are always in my thoughts and prayers!

Peter Sparks

Peter Sparks - October 16, 2020 at 10:36 AM

BB

“I met Paul through work. We started as temps together and built a lifelong friendship through our 18 years at Humana. Paul was funny, bright, articulate, and caring. We worked on many teams together throughout our time at Humana and always found a way to enjoy our time whether it was laughing at politics, or discussing current events. Paul spoke fondly of his family every time we chatted. He was a proud family man and it showed. My deepest condolences to his family. We are all better for having knowing Pauly. I pray for your peace and comfort.

Barbara Blair

Barbara Blair - September 22, 2020 at 03:56 PM

CA

“ I worked with Paul at Humana and he was an amazing, intelligent guy! He recommended books like, "Ready Player One" (which I loved), and any movie with 80's music as part of the soundtrack. Paul was hard working, intelligent and knew Medicare claims better than anyone! Heartbroken over this news. My deepest condolences and prayers to his wife and family. Rest in piece dear sir.

Cheryl Atkinson - September 15, 2020 at 04:22 PM

CV

“ I've known Paul for many years while working together at Humana. He was not just a coworker but a friend. He was smart, caring and funny. We often talked about sports and just things going on and he spoke often of his family. My heart goes out to you for your loss. He will certainly be missed.

Cynthia Vandgrift

Cynthia Vandgrift - September 14, 2020 at 03:39 PM

AP

“ Paul and I worked together at Humana. He was always willing to help me anytime and was so proud of his family at home 💕 ...often sharing wonderful accomplishments of his son and daughter especially. I'll miss him ! -Ann Pegram

Ann Pegram - September 14, 2020 at 02:19 PM

MW

“ I met Paul when he joined my team at Humana. I remember his unique sense of humor plainly, and it was always near the surface whenever I would speak to him in the years that followed. I am surprised and saddened to hear of his passing. I wish his family the peace that the Holy Spirit can provide and pray For comfort during this time.

Michael Witt - September 13, 2020 at 01:30 PM

CS

“ In life there are many paths that are crossed in relationships. In that same life, some of those relationships can holistically show character of relationally an individual. Paul did exactly the described as we worked together and shared together many times at our cubes w/Humana.

The kindness that Paul showed upon passing away of my step-son and his being there for my wife/I spoke volumes of his character & compassion for another. My peace bestowed family, friends and co-workers while love of Paul in vivid memories never fade but comfort peacefully.

Curtis Snively - September 13, 2020 at 01:18 PM

TK

“ Paul was more than a friend to me. Even though I am 10 years older he was always giving me older brother advice. He was my work advocate when I was taking on too much and would let my managers know it. We worked together and solved so many urgent problems over the years but sitting here I cannot remember them I just know I will never forget how great a friend was to me.

Tim King - September 13, 2020 at 11:43 AM

SJ

“ I worked with Paul. I enjoyed talking to him about faith and family. Last time we both traveled to Louisville we had a long talk at dinner about how important family was to each of him. His love for Elisa, Ryan and Victoria was the the most important thing in the world to him.

Sandra Jamison - September 13, 2020 at 10:09 AM

MS

“ We're so sorry to hear about this. You will be in our thoughts and prayers. We have great memories of sitting on the soccer sidelines with you and playing with a much younger Victoria. May God bless you and give you a peace beyond understanding as you travel this difficult road.

Love!

Mark & Susan Smithson & family

Mark Smithson - September 13, 2020 at 08:41 AM

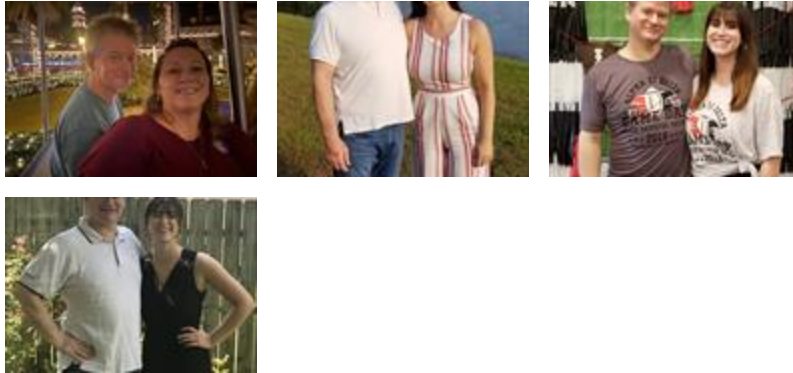
SS

“ I had the privilege of working with Paul over the last several years and he was always of great help to me. Always making the teams laugh and just a great person. He will be truly missed by many. Sending my love, thoughts and prayers to his family and all who had the honor of knowing him.

Sarah Strohl - September 12, 2020 at 09:39 AM

VS

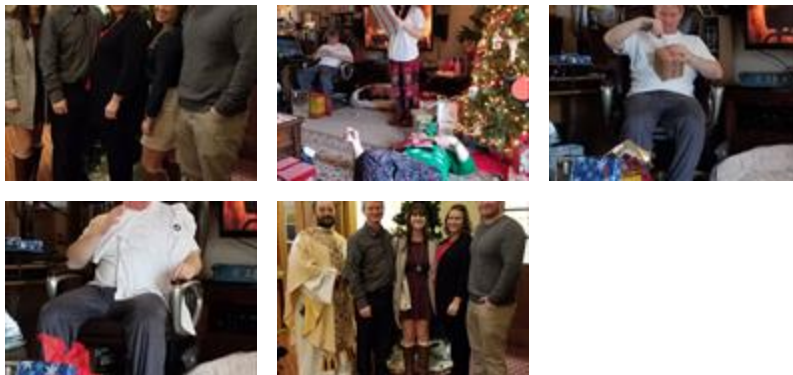
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Victoria Suiter - September 11, 2020 at 10:22 PM

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Elisa Suiter - September 11, 2020 at 09:49 PM



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Elisa Suiter - September 11, 2020 at 09:41 PM

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Elisa Suiter - September 11, 2020 at 09:38 PM

MW

“ By the grace of God, I was given the opportunity to meet Paul in an impromptu interview for a role my team. When we finished our conversation I knew he was the one. I offered him the role and he join our work family. He always had a generous heart and he was willing to help anyone. I enjoyed the many conversations, both business and personal. I feel very blessed and grateful that he came into my life. I will miss him so much. Elise and family, may you find peace in the many beautiful memories you shared with him ❤️ .



Melissa Wright - September 11, 2020 at 09:25 PM

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“ Here are pictures of Paul with his Humana family. Pictures provided by Amy Peterson.



Chris Fleming - September 11, 2020 at 05:01 PM

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“ Here are more pictures of Paul with his Humana family. Pictures provided by Melissa Wright.



Chris Fleming - September 11, 2020 at 04:57 PM

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Chris Fleming - September 11, 2020 at 04:55 PM

JA

“ Paul, Elisa, and the Family took me in and helped me move my career forward when I was younger. I always looked up to Paul like a big brother. I am forever grateful to the Suiters for all the years of love, friendship, and support. We love all of you.
Josh and Anna

Josh and Anna - September 10, 2020 at 02:53 PM

VH

“ We have loved Paul since his early teen years. He will definitely be missed by the Hill family and so many others. May the love and peace of God be with his loved ones. We know we will all see him in Heaven, some day.

Vonda and Steve Hill - September 10, 2020 at 01:52 PM