



Edward Garrity

August 18, 1953 - February 6, 2020

Edward Frank Garrity, 66, passed away on the morning of February 6 in Florence, South Carolina, at Regency Hospital, near his home in Hartsville, where he'd spent the last several years living with his family. Ed was born to James and Patricia Garrity on August 18, 1953 in Landstuhl, Germany, where his father served in the U.S. Air Force. After returning to the U.S. and living in Michigan for several years, the family moved to Miami, Florida. There Ed marched in the Orange Bowl Parade, graduated from Killian High School, honed his skill as a musician, and later survived Hurricane Andrew in 1992 (a fact of which he was quite proud). Even through the hardest times, he never lost his sense of humor, using it with love. He was loved by everyone and made friends easily.

Edward studied engineering at the University of Florida, and was a loyal Gator fan his whole life. He enthusiastically helped instill in those around him a love for music, particularly The Beatles, as well as classical music. He never failed to recite, word for word, any Beatles song you could think of. He enjoyed woodworking and was an avid reader and student of history and science.

Edward is survived by his parents, James and Patricia Garrity of Branford, FL; His sons, James Garrity of Asheville, NC, Ewoin Garrity of Homestead, FL, Devin Mercado (Garrity) of Hartsville, SC; His sisters, Kathleen Tuttle (Robert) of Max, NE, Laura Harding of Homestead, FL, Genevieve "Genny" Garrity of Hartsville, SC and Mary Mason of Shawnee, KS (Roger); nephew David Garrity of Hartsville, SC and niece April Garrity of Lansing, MI, to whom he was like a father; and six grandchildren, many other nieces, nephews, and cousins, as well as special family friend Bob Kadunc of Hartsville, SC.

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“ My condolences to Ed's Family. It's been many years since I saw him last. We grew up next door to the Garrity family in South Miami Heights.
Pattie (Shorey) Hayward



Pattie Shorey Hayward - February 13 at 11:14 PM



“ Thank you, Pattie.:)

Mary Mason - February 24 at 09:53 PM



“ I love my uncle. He always inspired me in music and my craft, carpentry . Always will miss him. Phillip

Phillip Tkaczuk - February 11 at 06:43 PM



“ He was going to be an astronomical engineer and build a city in space. He wanted me to grow the food. A beautiful dream. Now he can be a spacetrucker. Ed is my big brother. I will miss him till I catch up with him in space.

Laura Garrity Harding - February 11 at 06:38 PM



“ I'll always cherish the talks we shared. You are an unforgettable soul that is for sure. I'm glad to have gotten the chance to know you. Rest easy.

Sparkles - February 10 at 12:33 PM



“ To The Family of Ed Garrity,
My deepest Sympathy and Condolences on Eds' passing. I will fondly remember our many conversations over a wide variety of subjects. Enjoying music, watching Florida Gators football games as well as times spent together for family events and Holidays. Ed will be sadly missed but not forgotten! May all whose lives he touched find Comfort and Peace through his Eternal Life.
Bob Kadunc, Hartsville,SC.
Family friend and neighbor.



Bob Kadunc - February 09 at 07:08 PM