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Dr. David H. "Dave" Goff, age 66, of St. Augustine, passed away on September 30, 2014 at St. Augustine Health and Rehab Center. Born and raised in Rehoboth, Massachusetts, David graduated from University of Massachusetts at Amherst with Bachelor, Masters and Ph.D. degrees in Communications. He enjoyed a long career as a university professor and Division Chair. He taught and was the Chair of the School of Mass Communication at the University of Southern Mississippi for 25 years. He was also the Chair of the School of Communications at University of West Georgia from 2004 to 2006 and he most recently served as chair of Communications Department at the University of North Florida until his retirement in 2013. He co-authored several books in the field of Communications and had served in a leadership capacity in many professional organizations. He was a longtime member of Main Street United Methodist Church in Hattiesburg, Ms., and was "the voice" of the Oak Grove High School marching band for four years. He enjoyed traveling abroad and fishing in his spare time. He is survived by his wife, Linda Goff of St. Augustine; a son, Matthew Goff of Nashville, Tennessee; and a brother, Robert S. Goff of Rehoboth, Massachusetts. A memorial service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 4, 2014 at St. Johns Family Funeral Home, with Rev. Craig Eby officiating. St. Johns Family Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall

JF

“ I just learned about Dr. Goff's passing. He was the first faculty I met at USM and was not only my professor and advisor, but a true friend. My prayers are with you all. I spoke with him a few years ago after learning he was at UNF. Our loss is Heaven's gain. I will miss him.

Jim Fulton - March 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ IS THERE ANY HOPE FOR THE DEAD?(JOHN 5:28,29). PSALMS 37:29. SEE jw.org FOR THE ANSWER TO THIS QUESTION.

james lee pace, jr. - October 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AA

“ Dave was a dear friend, a personal mentor, a prolific scholar, and great role model. We will miss his humor, his love of life, and the twinkle in his eye. Linda and Matt, we share in your loss and are praying you will feel God's presence to ease your loss.

Alan and Beverly Albarran - October 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ I am very sad to hear of Dr. Goff's passing. He was a great professor and I learned so much from him. I most appreciated the calmness and level-headed approach as a professor and his clear instruction. I enjoyed being a graduate lab assistant for his Intro to TV course and think often about the valuable lessons learned in his graduate Mass Communication classes. My very deepest condolences to Dr. Linda Goff, his son, Matthew, and his brother Robert, as well as all of the many friends and colleagues who will miss him. He is gone too soon.

Deborah Jae Alexander - October 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *A very special man in all aspects. A mentor for many at the Mass Com Department. He will be missed.*

Jerry Santos - October 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *"Do not stand at my grave and weep, I am not there, I do not sleep. I am a thousand winds that blow. I am the diamond's glint of snow. I am the sunlight on ripened grain. I am the autumn's gentle rain. When you waken in the morning's hush, I am the swift uplifting rush of quiet birds in circled flight. I am the soft stars that shine at night. Do not stand at my grave and cry, I am not there, I did not die." our deepest sympathy and love, Joe and Joyce*

Joe & Joyce Sabato - October 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM