



Dr. Roger James "Dr. G" Geronimo

March 7, 1951 - August 1, 2021

Dr. Roger James Geronimo, age 70, of St. Augustine, passed suddenly on Sunday, August 1, 2021. "Dr G" as he was widely known, was born on March 7, 1951 in Greenwich, CT. He graduated from Brien McMahon High School in Norwalk, CT then studied Economics at colleges and universities earning an AS, BS, MBA and a PhD in Economics.

He embarked on his business career as CFO for Comber Electronics, then CFO for Picker Nuclear before becoming Director of Product and Marketing for United Technologies Norden Systems in Norwalk, CT.

Roger embarked on his lifelong love of teaching economics and finance, eventually earning a full professorship. While at Norden Systems Roger met Elizabeth Dole and husband, Senator Robert Dole, becoming fast friends. Mrs. Dole recommended Roger to President Reagan as an Economic Advisor. President Reagan appointed him Under Secretary of the Treasury, a cabinet level position where he wrote white papers as an Economic Consultant.

Roger became a College Dean at Cesar Ritz Hospitality College in CT and Switzerland. He was then CFO for Connecticut State College and CFO for the University of Hartford. In the 1990s, he began his acting and singing career. He studied voice at the New Milford Conservatory, as well with dramatic tenor John Shackelford. A highlight for Roger was singing Tenor at the Shubert

Theatre under the baton of Maestro Anton Coppola.

After he was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease and moved to warmer weather, he sang Tenor with Opera Tampa for 11 years with Maestro Coppola. Roger was a live radio broadcaster with his brother Dennis for 10 years on "The Dr. and Dennis" show on Flagler College WFCF. He also enjoyed his positions as an online professor of finance and accounting for graduate instruction.

He donated his time and talent to Wolfson Children's Hospital, as well as the St. Johns County Veterans Association. He was an avid dog lover who performed concerts to benefit those in need. He was also a volunteer at St. Ambrose Church.

Roger had two daughters, Jennifer Ellis of CA and Kristin Geronimo of NY. He was predeceased by his beloved wife Debra Leonardy Geronimo. He is survived by his two daughters, as well as his brother Dennis and sister-in-law Joan of St. Augustine.

Services will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, August 13, 2021 at St. Johns Family Funeral Home with Father Stephen Zehler officiating. A visitation begins at 9:30 a.m. Those unable to attend can view the service live streamed at <https://iframe.dacast.com/b/156599/c/549019> .

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to your choice of: Wolfson Children's Hospital, Florida Chapter of the ALS Association, or to the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research.

St. Johns Family Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Craig Memorial Park

2600 Old Moultrie Rd
St Augustine, FL 32086

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 13. 9:30 AM (ET)

St. Johns Family Funeral Home
385 State Road 207
St. Augustine, FL

Funeral Service

AUG 13. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Johns Family Funeral Home
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Tribute Wall



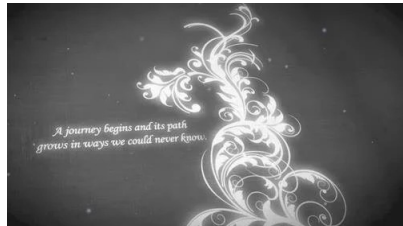
“ *St. Johns Family Funeral Home created a Services of Roger Geranimo in memory of Dr. Roger James "Dr. G" Geronimo*



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - August 13, 2021 at 04:22 PM



“ *St. Johns Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Dr. Roger James "Dr. G" Geronimo*



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - August 11, 2021 at 05:13 PM



“ *1 file added to the album LifeTributes*



Willow Wisp - August 29, 2021 at 11:20 PM

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The Brien McMahon class of 1969 remembers

Willow - August 30, 2021 at 12:04 AM

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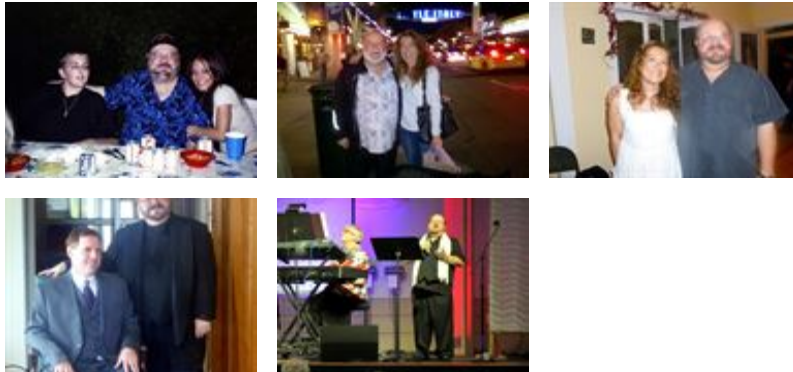
“ On behalf of the entire WFCF staff and Flagler College Family we send out sincerest condolences to Roger’s family. Roger volunteered his time and talent on the WFCF airwaves to educate, enlighten, and entertain literally tens of thousands of listeners about his passion for opera. His voice will travel through the heavens for eternity. We cannot thank him enough for his dedication and effort. He will be missed.

*Daniel O. McCook
WFCF Station Manager*

Dan McCook - August 13, 2021 at 09:51 AM



“ 9 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - August 12, 2021 at 06:55 PM

HA

“ Heather A. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Dr. Roger James "Dr. G" Geronimo.



Heather A. - August 12, 2021 at 03:34 PM



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St. Johns Family Funeral Home - August 12, 2021 at 10:27 AM



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St. Johns Family Funeral Home - August 11, 2021 at 05:12 PM



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St. Johns Family Funeral Home - August 11, 2021 at 12:53 PM

UT

A life well lived 💖💖

Uta - August 11, 2021 at 02:17 PM

MB

“ *Roger was one of a kind! Enthusiastic and dedicated to opera, he was an inspiration. I did a few coaching sessions with Roger years ago and he helped me extend my vocal range and confidence. When I said I wanted to sing ballads, he handed me Vissi d'arte from Tosca and said if you can sing this, you can sing anything!*

Mary Jane Ballou - August 11, 2021 at 09:17 AM

WR

“ *Very sorry to hear about Dr G. May people will miss the music you instilled in them and that for the most part is why we do what we do. I hope his family find peace in knowing he has finished his journey to the reward we all hope is there for us.*

God bless him and know he rests now and no more pain or stress or anxiety.

God rest you

William Ramoutar

Irish Ways Radio Programme

WFCF 88.5fm.

William Ramoutar - August 09, 2021 at 03:05 PM

WR

Sorry, it should have read MANY not may

William Ramoutar - August 09, 2021 at 03:08 PM

MC

“ *Maeve Casperson lit a candle in memory of Dr. Roger James "Dr. G" Geronimo*



Maeve Casperson - August 07, 2021 at 04:43 PM

MC

“ *Roger and his brother and his lovely wife invited me to go to a local jazz festival.*

We had a great time and after woods we all went out to dinner. We all had a great times& lots of laughs. I miss his laughter and his sweet smile. The kindest,sweetest & funniest man I have ever known.

We WILL never forget you

Maeve Casperson - August 07, 2021 at 04:41 PM

UT

“ Our last interaction was last week. He had followed me to let me know that one of my break lights were not working. We chatted a bit, as always and I thanked him. He said...Uta....anything for you. As I found out....he said this to everybody.....little charmer 😊💔

Uta - August 05, 2021 at 01:06 PM

UT

“ Miss you 💔

Uta - August 05, 2021 at 01:02 PM