



Warren C. Pray

April 16, 1947 - June 7, 2019

Warren C. Pray of Estero FL passed peacefully into God's arms at Gulf Coast Medical Center in Fort Myers, FL on June 7, 2019 after bravely fighting a two and one-half year battle with Mycobacterium Avium Complex (MAC). He was born April 16, 1947 in Wheaton, Kansas to Wayne and Dorothy (Hollenbeck) Pray,

Warren was preceded in death by his parents, sister-in-law Lu (Bryan) Hallauer, and brother-in-law Jerry Wilson. He is survived by his loving wife and best friend of 50 years, Bea (Bryan) Pray, brother Mark (Julie) Pray, sister Judy Wilson, sister-in-law Bonnie Reetz, brother-in-laws Jerry (Wanda) Bryan and Virgil Hallauer, five nieces and nephews, and five great nieces and nephews.

Warren's journey in life was full and blessed. After graduating from Junction City High School in 1965, he attended Kansas State University where he was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity for which he later became alumni advisor. He earned his Master's Degree from Kansas State University while working as a graphic designer with the Extension Service at KSU. Warren was incredibly devoted to the University and to KSU athletics. His working career also included retail sales, teaching art, Director of Communications at the National 4-H Council in Chevy Chase, MD. His ultimate blessing was joining Edward Jones in 1992 and opening an Edward Jones branch office in

Shawnee, Kansas. During his 22 years as a financial advisor, Warren valued his clients, co-workers, and the friendships he developed. He was honored to be a regional leader and later a general partner in the firm. His most treasured moments were mentoring fellow financial advisors and helping them meet their potential while also being active in the community. Among Warren's many community activities, he served as President of the Shawnee Chamber of Commerce and was a leader in chartering the Shawnee Rotary Club. He had a love of meeting people, sharing with them, and being a very trusted friend. Upon his retirement from Edward Jones in 2014, he and Bea moved to their weekend home at Lake of the Ozarks, Missouri. In 2016, they relocated to Estero, FL to escape the cold midwest winters.

Warren enjoyed spending time with his wife, attending services and events at at First Presbyterian Church in Bonita Springs where he was a member of the church, classic cars, the Kansas City Chiefs, Kansas State Football and Basketball, traveling, eating out and spending time with friends.

A sincere appreciation to our loving family and friends during these difficult weeks, especially Deanna and Ed Markley, Angie Scherzer and Laura VanZante (our God daughters), Terry and Von Hallauer (nephews) for being here with us. A very special thank you to the doctors, nurses, and staff of the ICU unit at Gulf Coast Medical Center for taking such wonderful care of Warren and to Senior Pastor Doug Pratt and the church family for their comforting support and prayers during our final days with Warren.

Services will be held at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, June 13, 2019 in the Price Chapel at First Presbyterian Church of Bonita Springs. A Memorial service will be held June 27 at Amos Family Funeral Home in Shawnee, Kansas.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to the Warren C. Pray Memorial Fund through the funeral home. All donations will go to National Jewish Health

(Research for MAC), First Presbyterian Church of Bonita Springs, FL, the ICU at Gulf Coast Medical Center and Kansas Beta Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

Arrangements being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUN 13. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

First Presbyterian Church of Bonita Springs
9751 Bonita Beach Rd.
Bonita Springs, FL 34135

Tribute Wall



“ Warren C. Pray

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ To me Warren will always be the 19 year old KSU student and my fraternity brother. As young as he was he exhibited a very professional manner, loved to get involved with various activities and was a clothing fashion icon. Then one day at the blink of an eye we are all 70 and wondering what happened. We can take solace in knowing that Warren walked with the Lord during his time on earth and is now with our Father in Heaven. Another blink of the eye and we will all be walking with the Lord. Warren has had many accomplishments but I am sure the event most important to him was his marriage to Bea! Your support and encouragement over the years Bea cannot be measured in deeds. God Bless you Bea and family. roger thompson .

roger thompson - June 13, 2019 at 08:54 AM



“ As a fellow retired General Partner of Edward Jones, my sincere sympathy goes out to the family of Warren Pray. Warren was well known and highly regarded throughout the firm. His biography speaks for itself in detailing his devotion to family, clients, and community. He will surely be long remembered and missed by those who knew him. May he rest in God's loving arms.

Alan T. Wright
Pawleys Island, SC

Alan T Wright - June 11, 2019 at 11:34 PM

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“ *Love Kimmy & Ray purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Warren C. Pray.*



Love Kimmy & Ray - June 10, 2019 at 11:10 PM