



# George Lee Sargent

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**G**eorge Lee "Lee" Sargent, Jr., 70, of Cornelius, NC died January 25, 2013 at his home. He was born on January 19, 1943 in Boston, MA to the late George Lee Sargent and Hester Lloyd Sargent.

Lee was a wonderful father and friend to many throughout his lifetime.

He attended St. Paul's School in Concord, NH; Harvard College where he played hockey and baseball and graduated with a B.A. Degree and was also commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps. Following his commission, he served in Vietnam and was made Captain during his tour and was awarded a Bronze Star Medal with Combat "V", Purple Heart; and Navy Unit Commendation. He later received a Masters Degree from Tufts University while assuming the role of assistant baseball coach.

He was a History teacher, Athletic Director, Varsity Football and Hockey coach during his 19 years at Noble and Greenough School in Dedham, MA. During these years he also became the Vice President and Treasurer of the New England Patriots team. In 1987, he moved to Davidson, NC when hired as the Assistant Football Coach and then later became Game Operations Management Director at Davidson College.

He was avid sports fan and he especially loved the Boston Red Sox, The New England Patriots, The Carolina Panthers, and Davidson basketball. He excelled as athlete in baseball, hockey, tennis, and golf. He completed several marathons and 10K races and was ranked as a Master. For several years he volunteered as the coach of the Davidson Colt Baseball Recreational league. He served as President of the Be Active North Carolina Non-Profit Organization which promoted active lifestyles for all age groups.

Survivors include his wife Janet Wages Sargent; sons, George "Trip" Sargent and wife Chantel of Erie, CO, Matthew Manning of Chicago, IL, and David Sargent of Cornelius; daughter, Kimberly



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Hurtado and husband Larry of San Antonio, TX; 4 grandchildren and siblings, Fordie Madeira of Dedham, MA; Nancy Green of Sunriver, OR and Wendy Anderson of Jacksonville, FL.

A memorial service will be held at Davidson College Presbyterian Church on Monday, February 11, 2013 at 11:00 AM. A memorial service will also be held at St. Paul's Church, Dedham, MA on Monday, April 29, 2013 at 11AM. A service at Arlington National Cemetery will be scheduled at a later date.

Memorials may be made to Our Towns Habitat, 29319 N. Main St., Cornelius, NC 28031 or the Wounded Warrior Project, via [www.woundedwarriorproject.org](http://www.woundedwarriorproject.org)

James Funeral Home of Huntersville is serving the family.

[www.jamesfuneralhomeLKN.com](http://www.jamesfuneralhomeLKN.com)



## Tribute Wall

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JS

**Janet Sargent** posted:

While the leukemic cells won the race against Lee's good cells, he ultimately won because he passed away peacefully by my side with no pain. He won because he accomplished seeing everyone of his siblings and children the weekend before his death while we celebrated his birthday and ate his last meal. He won because he got to see Jaimie Hendricks, who he worked with at Davidson, in the morning which was his wish to me at 4:00am and when Jaimie arrived he helped us three woman caretakers finally lift him to a seated position with no pain as he took his final full glass of his favorite iced green tea which he previously had to sip laying down. He won because his college roommate Tom Stephenson made it in to town by 5:00pm on the night Lee died to at least hear a few words uttered from Lee. He won because he had his two sisters, David and I lay hands on him in the afternoon as his sister Nancy administered the Last Rights. He won because the last words he uttered were to David as left his room saying that he loved his dad, Lee uttered back, "Love ya too". He won because he received an outpouring of support and prayers from all of his family and so many friends. And in true Lee fashion to add a little humor to all this, he won because as I was clearing a few things off his desk the morning after he passed away I saw the notice from the DMV that his driver's license expired on his birthday this year, 1/19/13...no hassle to experience there ever again!!! Together we have given this special man a final good-bye, for now. With Love and Gratitude, Janet

August 17 at 4:01 PM

IM

**Ian George Mcgrath** posted:

It was an honor to have the privilege of knowing Lee for my entire life. Lee was my Uncle and a true inspiration on my life. He always knew what to say and how to help me get through normal every day life growing up and I always tried to shadow his every move. There was never a dull moment with him as we would constantly have debates on Patriots and Red Sox games and talk about how Bledsoe/Brady won or lost the games and how they would be the following year. Being from the Oregon, he would always call me when the Oregon Ducks would be having a good year in football and let me know EXACTLY what they were doing well and not so well. Sports was his passion but family always came first for Lee as his love for all of us was never questioned. There was never a day that would go by that he would not be at David's golf tournament or spending time with Matt or Janet or be on the phone with one of his three sisters talking about life. He was truly an amazing man and I have and will miss him greatly. Our family is strong and will carry on but it will never be the same without Lee Sargent.

July 7 at 9:12 PM



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LC

**Lawrence Coburn** posted:

I was saddened to learn yesterday of Lee's passing. Lee and his father, my godfather, used to take me out to dinner and a Bruins game annually when I was a kid. I thought that I was a sports fan at the time, but listening to Lee and Uncle George talk about sports in depth made me realize that I was out of my league. Lee and I were teammates on the Wareham baseball team in the Cape Cod League. Lee played third base and pitched. He was the best infielder I have ever seen, amateur or professional. And, when pitching, (I was the catcher), even though he barely hit 83 mph on the radar gun and had a curve ball that broke no more than an inch or two, he was one of the most effective pitchers on a pitching staff that was extraordinary. Last time I checked, he had the lowest earned run average of any Harvard pitcher in history! How could that be? Through extraordinary discipline, he was able to control the location of his pitches -- inner corner, outer corner, knees, letters -- and he changed speeds well. Also, as a pitcher he became a superb fifth infielder, diving for balls that would get by most pitchers and through the middle infielders. I firmly believe that if Moneyball had been written at that time and Bill James had spread his doctrine, Lee would have been spotted as a great candidate to be a professional pitcher. Lee was an extraordinary competitor and a wonderful teammate and friend. From what others have written after his passing, I understand what a terrific coach, father and family man he became. I regret that I lost touch with him after college. I send my belated condolences to his family.

April 27 at 6:16 AM

SA

**Sonya C Anderson** posted:

Lee, you were such a corker in life just like your mother, Tiger and it's been an honor and privilege knowing you. My condolences to the entire Sargent family. Lee is loved and missed.

March 20 at 3:28 PM

MC

**Mark Colone** posted:

I am so sorry to learn just today (2/13/13) of Lee's passing. He was such a humble guy, you would never know of his historic and stoic accomplishments. His youthful appearance and enthusiasm belied his age. And, his love for what he was doing -- no matter where, when or who he is with -- was obvious the moment you met him. A number of us, current and former staff members of UNC Charlotte and the Charlotte 49ers, were fortunate to have crossed paths with Lee and work with him on many NCAA events. You would never know "we" were rivals on the playing courts and fields. And, you would definitely know Lee was there and together Davidson and Charlotte got the job done...so many times. What a wonderful life. What an awesome man. God Bless Janet and the kids and Lee's memory.

February 13 at 6:47 AM



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KV

**Kathy Beach-Verhey** posted:

Dear Janet and all of Lee's family,I send my sympathies and condolences to all of you. I am sorry that I now live too far away from Davidson to attend Lee's funeral. From my days as a student athlete to my days serving as a pastor in the Davidson community I could always, always count on Lee for an encouraging word of support. I will always remember Lee as someone who believed in me and in my gifts. My life is richer having known him.May Christ's peace surround all of you in these difficult days. In gratitude for having called Lee a friend,Kathy Beach-Verhey

February 8 at 6:35 PM

CJ

**Claire J** posted:

Dear Janet: In 2 Corinthians 1:3, 4 God is called the Father of tender mercies and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our tribulation. May you lean on him to cope with your separation from Lee. He was a pillar in society as a Marines & teacher, and an anchor in your family. We wished for him the realization of Ecclesiastes 2:24: "With a man there is nothing better than that he should eat and indeed drink and cause his soul to see good because of his hard work." The Bible describes a time in the future when all mankind will not be subject to criminals, violence, sickness and death. Everyone will actually sit, each one under his vine and under his fig tree, and there will be no one making them tremble. (Micah 4:4; Revelation 21:3, 4) Additionally, it is Jehovah God's purpose to restore the dead to life by means of a resurrection to a Paradise earth. Jesus said: "The hour is coming in which all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice and come out." (John 5:28, 29) May God's Word bring you & your family solace, delight as you cleave to your fond memories of Lee.

February 8 at 4:09 PM

AR

**Art And Linda Rahtes** posted:

Janet,Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. He will be missed by many.

February 8 at 2:40 AM

RA

**Rajini Kalipershad, Be Active Nc** posted:

My condolences to the Sargent family. Lee will be remembered as a very kind, sweet, and committed individual.

February 5 at 3:34 PM



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FS

**Fred Sculco** posted:

It was a very sad moment when I heard of Lee's passing. He was an important figure to many who he coached and taught and to his colleagues as well. He will be missed by so many of those people. My thoughts are with his family at this difficult time. Fred Sculco & Family

February 2 at 3:31 AM

TT

**Toby Tyler** posted:

You have my condolences on the passing of Lee. I first met Lee playing on the E-Golf Sr. tour. When Lee found out I was from Green Bay and a Packer fan, we always had something to talk about. Most of the time Lee did all the talking. I drue closed to Lee when he was stricken with Cancer. Seeing I had protrate cancer, Lee and I could talk about our issues openly. Lee and I kept in touch even when I would return to Green Bay for the summer. My last round of golf with Lee was a the Peninsula Club. All Lee talked about was how good David was doing on the course and that he was leaving for Florida the next morning to follow David in a tournament even though he was feeling effect of his treatments. My last conversation with Lee was in October 2012. I called Lee and he informed me he was up at Duke Medical. I asked Lee how this treatment went up in Virgina and he was positive the Prostrate was under control, but the other issue he was facing was going to be more difficult. I will miss my friend. Lee and I both had militry back grounds and nothing prepares us for these type of issues except for the Love of our family and friends being by our side. Attention, we have an officer on Deck! God Bless you and your family. Toby Tyler

February 1 at 5:06 AM

NB

**Nick Bernado** posted:

David,Coach Sargent was one of the most influential people I have ever met. He taught me many things about sports and life in general. Every time I am facing adversity, I think of Coach Sargent. He taught me to be optimistic and to never let my emotions get the best of me. He was an amazing man and will be deeply missed. My family's thoughts and prayers are with you and the Sargent family. God Bless,Nick Bernado

January 31 at 12:10 PM



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DB

**Danetta Beaushaw** posted:

To the entire extended Sargent Family, Incredibly sorry to hear of Lee's passing -- as a southerner at Seven Sisters and Ivy League schools, I was lucky enough to occasionally "depend upon the kindness of strangers" - families of my college friends who adopted me from time to time. I came to think of all the Sargents as family very quickly, and they hold a very special place in my heart. I will miss Lee's charm and energy, and the love he had for his wonderful family! He raised some amazing kids. Danetta Beaushaw & Family

January 28 at 12:19 PM

SH

**Schuyler Howe** posted:

Janet and family, I would like to express my sincere condolences on the death of Lee. He was an awesome man and will be missed greatly. My family's thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time. Sincerely, Schuyler Howe

January 28 at 9:56 AM

DS

**Dawn And Dick Sanderson** posted:

Janet, We were so sorry to hear of Lee's passing. Know that our love and prayers are with you and your family through this time. Lee was such a strong and wonderful man. We wanted you to know how loving and inspiring he always was to Dick. There was not a time when we saw each other at basketball games or on the street that he did not come up to give Dick some words of encouragement. He will truly be missed. Be strong and let me know if there is anything we can do for you. Love and hugs, Dick and Dawn

January 28 at 6:48 AM

LB

**Lee & Dolores Barraclough** posted:

Janet Our deepest sympathy to you and your family at this difficult time. Please know that you are in our prayers. Lee & Dolores Barraclough and Family

January 27 at 7:03 PM



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NS

**Norman Scott Stahl** posted:

Lee Sargent was my Platoon Commander when I went through Marine Basic Officer School (H4 - 4-67). I remember him as a man of honor and integrity and an inspirational leader. His battles are over now and he will be waiting for us when we get to the other side. Semper Fi, Sir.Norman S. StahlLt. Colonel of Marines (retired)Hilo, HI

January 27 at 4:55 PM

NS

**Nax Elsie Snowdon** posted:

We are sorry to hear of your great loss. We will keep you in our prayers. Elsie & Max Snowdon

January 27 at 10:35 AM

JB

**John And Darlene Bailey** posted:

Janet and family,We were so very sorry to learn of Lee's passing. He will be deeply missed, and long remembered.Prayers up for the entire Sargent family.God bless,John and Darlene Bailey

January 27 at 8:34 AM

GJ

**George And Jacqueline Dow** posted:

Janet,Jackie and I send our thoughts and prayers to you and family at this time of your loss of Lee. Know that his loss is a loss for all of us. The loss of a brother Marine is a loss to all his brothers and sisters who served with him and were a part of his life's story. Jackie and I are grateful that Lee is no longer in pain and has moved on to God'd eternal kingdom.Semper Fideles, Marine!George and Jackie Dow

January 27 at 4:35 AM

BO

**Bryan Overcash** posted:

Coach Sargent was a special man. It was an honor to know and play for him and a privilege to continue to see him around Davidson all these years. He will be greatly missed!God bless you all!

January 26 at 6:07 PM



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MF

**Mike Carusillo And Family** posted:

I am so sorry to hear of Lee's passing. I am proud to have known him and his family. He was a breed of man that will be greatly missed in this world. May he rest in peace. God bless him....

January 26 at 5:50 PM

BG

**Bert Gould** posted:

Janet, My sincerest sympathies are with you. You and your family will be kept in my prayers and thoughts during these difficult days you are facing. Love, Bert (NMWC member)

January 26 at 8:51 AM

JT

**Jeannie Thomas And Greg Tucker** posted:

Janet, Our thoughts and prayers are with you through this awful time. I'm sorry we are out of town and not there to help you! Please know that Greg and I are overcome with sorrow for the loss of Lee, as I am sure you and the boys are as well. We will see you next week. Stay strong. We thank God that Lee is no longer suffering and is with God at this very moment!! Much love, Jeannie Thomas Greg Tucker

January 26 at 4:00 AM

BA

**Brian, Melody And Alex Lee** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers! What a special golf Dad! David and family god bless you the Lee family

January 26 at 3:42 AM

AW

**Allen Wiggins** posted:

David I so sorry to hear about your Dad we had so much fun together walking and talking while you and Victor was playing golf he was so proud of you and all of his family. He is a great man and became a good friend please let us know if we can do anything for you our prayers are with you. Allen & Victor Wiggins

January 25 at 1:22 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring George by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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