



## Ronald Maraz

January 17, 1939 - July 24, 2021

Ronald N. Maraz, 82, of Huntersville, died on Saturday July 24 2021. He was born on January 17, 1939, in the Bronx, New York to the late Alexander and Josephine Maraz. He served in the US Air Force for 21 years, achieving the rank of Captain. He served in the medical field in the Air Force as a pharmacy technician and a hospital administrator. Ron also served as an Air Force recruiter bringing civilian doctors into the Air Force. He received a BA in business from UNO, a BA in Education from USF and a Master's degree in Hospital Administration from Washington University.

After retirement from the Air Force Ron began a second career as a teacher in Florida. He taught middle school and high school algebra and geometry for 15 years.

Ron was a big sports fan and athlete. He coached and played volleyball and basketball for many years. Ron was an avid runner, tennis and baseball player, skier and bowler. Ron was a big fan of the Tampa Bay Lightning and Duke basketball.

Ron is survived by his wife of 32 years, Cathy, a brother Wayne Marking of Atco New Jersey, children Thomas Maraz(Stacy) of Phoenix Arizona, Ronald L Maraz of Murieta CA, Suzanne Maraz of Desert Hot Springs CA and Michael Maraz (Alan) of La Quinta CA. He is also survived by 2 grandsons Sean(Cassie) and Ben Maraz and 1 great grandson Liam Maraz.

A dynamic personality and good guy all around Ron will be missed by his family and friends.

The memorial service will be held on Saturday, August 7, 2:00 PM at James Funeral Home with a reception following.

Memorials may be made to Grace Covenant Church in Cornelius, NC.

James Funeral Home, of Huntersville, is serving the family and obituary lovingly written by the family.



# Events

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**AUG** **Memorial Service** 02:00PM

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James Funeral Home

10520 Arahova Dr, Huntersville, NC, US, 28078

# Comments

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“ Cathy,  
We are very sorry for your loss. I still hear Ron kidding me ...”Hal this, Hal that”. All in fun, which is what Ron was, a fun guy. Our sincerest condolences .

Hal and Nancy Augustine

Hal and Nancy Augustine - August 07, 2021 at 09:45 AM

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“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Ronald Maraz.



August 05, 2021 at 07:07 PM

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“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ronald Maraz.



August 05, 2021 at 09:26 AM

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“ I will miss my favorite cousin Ron. He was very caring about his family and friends, especially his son Ronald.  
I will always cherish the memories of our visits, eating out, and photos we took.  
Ron is in Heaven cheering on his favorite baseball team in Tampa Bay and having a couple of beers.  
Love you Cus! Until we meet again on the Other Side.....  
Your favorite Cousin in Arizona,  
Louise Molfetta and family

Louise Molfetta - August 04, 2021 at 04:18 PM



“ I had the honor of knowing and taking care of Ron for the past several years. We had many fun 'battles' between our football teams and I would tell him that he wasn't 'so bad' for a Broncos fan. I will miss you Ron. Cathy, I pray you find peace during this difficult time. Go Chiefs haha.

**Chris Zagar** - August 03, 2021 at 08:05 AM

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**Kevin** - August 02, 2021 at 06:33 PM

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**Kevin** - August 02, 2021 at 06:32 PM

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**Kevin** - August 02, 2021 at 06:29 PM

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“ Our family met Ron when he tutored our son in math that was 18 years ago. We remained friends long after the tutoring was over and had great fun skiing in NC with Ron and Cathy and our grown sons. He was smart ,funny and a wonderful guy. We will miss him. Our hearts and prayers go out to Cathy  
The Bill and Mary Waters family

mary waters - August 01, 2021 at 11:43 PM

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“ In the spring of 1994 Ron told me that a medical magnet program was being developed at Boca Ciega High School and that there was an opening for a foreign language teacher. I have always been so grateful to Ron for telling me this. I applied for the position and I continued to teach there for the next 24 years! He was a mentor to so many students, including my two sons, whom he tutored. Years later, when both of them were serving in Iraq and Afghanistan, He always asked about them and told me to thank them for their service.

What I remember most about Ron.....always a smile, sincerity, very genuine, caring, loyal, kind and a great sense of humor. Perhaps his gift to us is that we strive to follow his example. If we do, the world will be a better place.

Jan Kokernot - August 01, 2021 at 08:28 PM

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“ If you had such friend in your life as Ron, then you will appreciate the true worth of eternal friendship. Ron and his wife Cathy were and still are great friends of our family. Charity, Alexandra, John-Paul and I hold them so dear and close. With his passing, Ron has left behind a legacy of kindness, compassion, and generosity. He lived and graced this planet with his presence and was amazing and totally unique and one of those rare and wonderful people we sometimes call characters. His love for Cathy was a thing to emulate. Ron was fun loving and shared good humor and a big smile with everyone he met. Even when times were difficult and we disagreed on political views, he was always an integral part of creating and maintaining a solid foundation of friendship. I will remember with nostalgia the great dinners he and Cathy hosted.... the great steaks done to your preference and a glass of Dewars Scotch on the rocks. Ron would always put a smile on my face with banter and fun making. He held his head high until the end, showing what it looks like to finish strong. Even as we celebrate Ron's life and remember all the remarkable things he accomplished, in the end let us just focus on what a great person he was and how wonderful his life was. Rest with all the fun Angels Ron till we meet again

Alex Mbuthia - July 31, 2021 at 05:50 PM

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“ I first met Ron and Cathy when I became their realtor in North Carolina. We hit it off right away. So much I ended up with their garage door opener on their home in huntersville for years. They both became a huge part of our group of Dominoes players and the Creeper Trail excursions. Ron was full of life and had a heart of gold. I will miss his great smile and humor. Rest in peace my friend

Rose Cramer - July 30, 2021 at 01:24 PM

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“ We first met Ron nearly 40 years ago when we both bought our condominiums next to each other in Tierra Verde. That was the start of an amazing and unique friendship over many years. Ron was one of a kind. He was an excellent neighbour, always keeping an eye on our apartment when we were in London. We spent many a fun and always stimulating evening with him and Cathy. Ron's warped sense of humour and Jack's were a perfect match for each other. Perhaps their star signs were aligned because they shared the same birthday. They visited us a few times in London. We visited them in North Carolina. We just had a great time with him. He was always full of fun. We will miss him greatly.

Cathy, we offer you our heartfelt condolences for your loss. We hope to see you in the future.

Lots of love from Jack and Vivienne Linton from London and all our families.

Jack & Vivienne - July 29, 2021 at 10:25 AM

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“ My wife and I were neighbors of Ron and Cathy when we lived in Huntersville. Ron was funny at times, famous for his grilled flank steak (you had to have that, it was the best) very personable and just a nice guy. Cathy, we are so sorry for your loss. Chuck and Joan Stransky

Chuck Stransky - July 29, 2021 at 08:00 AM

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“ Cathy,  
Ron was a fantastic man and will be missed by many. The Triplets always enjoyed his questions on Math when we would come down and stay at Pauls. You are in our Prayers!

Jim and Ellie Terry

**James Terry** - July 28, 2021 at 11:44 AM

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“ Cathy:

I'm very sorry to hear that Ron has passed. I've missed both of you since you moved to North Carolina. I hope we have a chance to talk again soon.

My deepest condolences to you and your family.

Paul Markey

**Paul Markey** - July 28, 2021 at 11:26 AM

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“ Ron was a really great Math teacher and a great fun friend at Bay Point Middle School. He and Cathy were always available for help and cared so much about everyone. I have many great memories of Ron. He will be missed by many. Prayers for Cathy and family. Rest In Peace.

**Carole McGurk** - July 28, 2021 at 09:32 AM

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“ Ester & David Milchan purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Ronald Maraz.



**Ester & David Milchan** - July 27, 2021 at 12:08 PM

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“ We had the pleasure of knowing Ron through his friendship with our nephew, Rudy Matthews. Ron served his country in the military, served his community as a dedicated teacher to children, and was always an inspiration to others with his positive attitude. It was truly a pleasure to have considered Ron a friend. We enjoyed Ron and Cathy in their home, our home and many activities at the beach. He will be missed.

Dub and Judy Todd

Dub Todd - July 27, 2021 at 10:45 AM

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“ Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ronald Maraz.



July 27, 2021 at 10:39 AM

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“ I have so many great memories of Ron. Teaching together at Bogie, the many sporting events we attended together, the visits to North Carolina and the many chicken wings and beer we consumed, will always be special memories. Ron was always generous, funny and willing to help when needed. A true friend. Debby and I will greatly miss our "Bionic Man"

Larry & Debby Forche

Larry Forche - July 27, 2021 at 10:16 AM

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“ I taught with Ron in the Medical Magnet at Boca Ciega High School from the day we welcomed our first class. He was a great teacher and friend. He could always make me smile with his sense of humor. He was such an important part of our Team. You will be missed my friend. God Bless you.

Wendy Summers - July 27, 2021 at 10:07 AM

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“ I taught with Ron at Boca Ciega HS in the Medical Magnet. This group of people became my family. I will always remember Ron's quick wit, energy, organization and talent as a teacher. He was one of the good guys. Ron, you will be missed. Thank you for being my mentor, teacher, colleague, friend.

**Lori Bushéy** - July 27, 2021 at 09:49 AM

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“ Peggy Martinus purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ronald Maraz.



**Peggy Martinus** - July 27, 2021 at 09:44 AM

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“ Ron was the the most organized guy in the world. We played tennis - went to Bucs , lightning games and spent many days together -Cathy included. My best tribute to Ron--he was "my best friend " for many years and a "true friend " every day. Miss him.

Rudy Matthews

**Rudy Matthews** - July 26, 2021 at 01:09 PM



“ Ron Maraz, was a very special friend to my family for many years. He was a special person& loved to live life to its fullest, along with his dear wife Cathy. We had so many good times over the years, at my brother's Condo in Reddington Beach. Ron & Cathy will always be part of our family.

I miss you Ron & your cheerful voice. God needed a another Angel in Heaven, so he called on you. Love To You

Rita Matthews Newman

**Rita Matthews Newman, family friend** - July 26, 2021 at 04:47 PM

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“ I taught with Ron and Cathy for several years and had fun with them after school too! Ron was a hoot and an excellent teacher. My thoughts and prayers are with you Cathy.

Kip Mitchell - July 26, 2021 at 09:19 AM

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“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Ronald Maraz.



July 25, 2021 at 08:53 PM

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Kevin - July 25, 2021 at 06:57 PM