



Warren Lee Owens

September 24, 1943 - December 29, 2022

Warren Lee Owens, 79, passed away on Thursday, December 29, 2022. He was born in Mathews County, Virginia and raised in Highland Springs, Virginia, where he met his love of 53 years, Sandy. Warren and Sandy moved to New Kent County in 1981 where they raised their two children. Warren worked as a painter for W.W. Nash for 13 years, then as a painter/wallpaper hanger for Colonial Williamsburg for 25 years, where he retired as a foreman and master wallpaper hanger in 2007.

As a master wallpaper hanger, Warren was asked to hang various unique wallpapers, to include a Chinese grass cloth for a bank in Richmond, a silk wall covering for an executive's home in Ohio, and a hand-drawn chalk mural in the former Colonial Williamsburg president's house. Warren continued to be sought out by Colonial Williamsburg and others to hang special or delicate wallpapers and various painting engagements, up to the time of his passing.

After retirement, Warren fell in love with karaoke and started his own business with Sandy. He did not only enjoy singing but he loved meeting new people, creating lasting relationships, and working to make everyone sound good. Even on his roughest days, he found peace in adjusting sound controls to make everyone sound exactly right and have an enjoyable time.

Warren enjoyed riding his motorcycle, with Sandy sitting in the co-pilot's seat right behind him, fishing, and spending time with his loving wife and family. He especially enjoyed attending various activities for his two grandchildren, of whom he was immensely proud.

Warren will be missed for his infectious smile and his exclamation “Greaaa Day,” and on occasion “Greaaa Day in the Morning.” He also had a unique ability to animate song lyrics, work a crowd, and wasn’t afraid to make fun of himself, which is remarkable considering he was an extreme introvert until age 65.

Warren is preceded in death by his parents, William Harold, and Mary Eliza (Callas); brother, William Coleman; son, Warren Lee, Jr.; and daughter, Windi Anne. He is survived by his wife, Sandy; sons, Kenny, and Kevin; daughter, Cindi (Fellows); granddaughters, Amanda, Teasha, and Marissa; grandson, Jordan; step-grandchildren, Brannan Holdren and Bradley Fellows; and step-great grandchild, Maddox Holdren.

Cemetery Details

Washington Memorial Park

6217 Memorial Drive
Sandston, VA 23150
<http://www.washingtonmemorialparkva.com/>

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 6. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Vincent Funeral Home, Providence Forge Chapel
9923 Pocahontas Trail
Providence Forge, VA 23140
(804) 966-7075

Funeral Service

JAN 7. 11:30 AM (ET)

Christ Community Church
9001 Richmond Rd.
Toano, VA 23168

Tribute Wall

TF

“ *The Hall Family lit a candle in memory of Warren Lee Owens*



The Hall Family - January 05, 2023 at 12:49 AM

LH

“ *I met Warren in 1965 at WW Nash. He was hired as a painter and the first guy that he worked with was me. We did all kinds of jobs together. I was asked by my boss to paint windows in a 22 story building and so Warren came to a swing stage which he had never been on. We started up and got to 11 floors and he said "I don't think I can do this." I then cranked the stage up about 10 ft. And he was then brave enough to follow me. He was scared and didnt feel he could do the job, but I encouraged him and we've been working together at The Colonial Williamsburg Foundation and side work and we became the best of friends. He was not only a friend, but felt like a brother. He became one of the best skilled painters I think I'll ever know. We both became foremen which proved to be an asset to the foundation. We go back a long way and did a lot of camping, fishing, and planting a garden yearly and his tomatoes were always much prettier and tastier than mine. Singing songs opened up a whole new world for him and instead of him being shy, he became one of the best karaoke singers we've ever met and helped all of us to sound better as if we could. My wife, Brenda and I have enjoyed every minute and every trip we've spent with him and his wife, going to the beaches,, mountains and anywhere we decided to go. We will miss Warren more than words can express and plan to join him in Heaven when GOD sees fit.*

Larkin (Bubba) & Brenda Hundley - January 04, 2023 at 01:11 PM

AS

“ I met Warren and Sandy when I started working at Brothers for karaoke nights. Warren was always so happy and excited for the night and would always bring a smile to everyone’s faces. It always brought me so much joy to see his truck pull up and help him unload the equipment a couple times so they could set up. He always opened and closed every karaoke night with his voice and was such a great singer. He always loved to see my kids come and dance and run around to everyone singing. He will definitely be missed by not only me but by all of the Brothers family! He was definitely part of our family and always had a way of making you feel like part of his. Dance and sing with the angels and know Sandy is taken care of down here by so many and loved by so many! Forever in our hearts Warren. ❤️❤️



Ashley - January 04, 2023 at 03:01 AM

BM

When Billy and I met Warren at Karaoke the first time, were greeted with a big smile and a big hug. From that day Sandy and Warren became part of our family forever. We love both so much and our hearts will always have a empty hole because part of our family is no longer with us. Warren we love you very much and you will be missed always. We will look after Sandy and will be there for her. Rest in piece Warren and sing karaoke with the Angels

Billy and Sandra Moser - January 04, 2023 at 05:58 PM

PF

“ We met Warren at Brothers during a karaoke night. We enjoyed his smile and his great voice. We loved coming and hearing him sing. He will truley be missed and we send blessings to Sandy and the family.

Pam Francis - January 03, 2023 at 07:59 PM

BM

“ Trucks, motorcycles, SeaDoos, the River House, burning up blenders, Orange Dream Cycles, having that beer as we laid in the creek...feet propped on the SeaDoos...falling down the side of the truck while cleaning it...pizza and a beer and a magnificent paint job on the living room...shooting guns after the clock struck 12 on New Year's. How about Corn Clause and how he dropped by to bring corn cheer for River House meals. Trips to Walmart and Costco...watching you realize how small you were in God's great big world after heart surgery...seeing that rough exterior cry when you had to say goodbye to your son. Laughing with you when Marissa said her first big word to me...ridiculous...except it didn't quite come out that way. You didn't get to hold on like we both said we would do when it was going to be our time. God had other plans...so the day you crossed over...I sat silent one drink for me and one for for you that never got touched. You certainly loved your family. No one like you...nor will there ever be...just like me. God rest soul and God bless your family. See you again sometime...forever in my heart.



Brian Miller - January 03, 2023 at 04:11 PM

BH

*From the first time I met Sandy and Warren at Rockahock, I knew they were special. Warren always made me feel welcome and comfortable. Warren made me sound better than I am. I loved hearing sing Tim Mcgraw. His gestures and style were awesome. Sandy and Warren DJd my 60th birthday a few years ago. My friends and family loved their singing and relaxing entertainment. What a Man, Friend ans talent gone to soon
Ride on COWBOY
Sing on COWBOY
RIP Till we sing again.
Bill Hale and Janette Bisbee
We Love you Sandy*

Bill Hale - January 03, 2023 at 06:37 PM

FS

“ *Faith Silva lit a candle in memory of Warren Lee Owens*



Faith Silva - January 03, 2023 at 02:31 PM

KG

“ *Kathy Glass lit a candle in memory of Warren Lee Owens*



Kathy Glass - January 03, 2023 at 12:11 PM

LE

“ I met Warren 15 years ago at karaoke at Rockahock. At the time I was not one to sing. Him and Sandy convinced me to get up and sing since I was always there but I was shy. When I did finally get the courage to get up and sing I chose to hold the microphone down near my stomach. Warren told me I had to pick the microphone up and put it near my mouth and I told him “I don’t want people to hear me.” He never let me forget that either. Throughout the years he would tell me that they could hear me now and wouldn’t have to cut the microphone all the way up. During my 15 years of knowing them they became my “other mommy and dad”. Seeing Sandy and Warren was something that I always looked forward to whether there was karaoke or not. Warren also liked to make me laugh when I was singing some of my songs by getting up looking through pages while I sang a song called Look It Up and telling me he couldn’t find it because he didn’t know how to spell it. He would also sing yep yep and say that’s the truth to another song that I would sing. Warren was also one of my mom’s pall bearers which she had selected before her passing. Warren was a good man and will definitely be missed my his family, friends, and karaoke family. I do ask that everyone do keep in touch with Sandy now and as time goes on. She needs all of us. I am forever grateful for getting to know Sandy and Warren and having them as a part of my life for so long.



LeeAnn Evans - January 02, 2023 at 03:51 PM